

EASTSIDE FIRE & RESCUE Issaquah, Washington

FIRE CHIEF

Eastside Fire & Rescue, a combined fire/emergency services Agency, is seeking an accomplished and visionary Fire Chief. This is an extraordinary career opportunity to provide leadership and help chart the future of a highly regarded Agency currently serving three municipal governments and two fire protection districts located within one of Washington's most beautiful natural settings. The Agency's participating partners include the cities of Sammamish, Issaquah and North Bend and King County Fire Protection Districts 10 and 38. Eastside Fire & Rescue, headquartered in Issaquah, provides fire suppression, prevention and emergency services to over 130,000 citizens and operates within a service area of approximately 190 square miles. It is a transport, basic life support (BLS) provider with Paramedic services provided through the King County ALS system (Medic One). The new Fire Chief will administer a combined operating budget of \$24 million and provide leadership to a staff of 141 full time employees and 101 volunteers. Eastside Fire & Rescue provides services within urban, suburban and rural settings that include residential, commercial, and industrial development as well as farmland areas. High-profile corporations and family-related developments have located within the Agency's service area such as Microsoft, Costco, Nintendo, Genie Lift, SanMar and numerous, sizable senior-housing complexes.

The ideal candidate will be a forward-looking, accomplished leader and effective and innovative manager with a minimum of ten years of previous management-level experience in a similar sized or larger department or agency. The ideal candidate will also bring a strong command presence and be someone who can inspire a dedicated, cohesive workforce and develop leaders within the organization. A Bachelor's degree or above in public administration, business, fire sciences or fire administration, finance or management is preferred, although an equal combination of relevant training, development programs, and career experience may be considered as a substitute for the degree. A candidate's career path should demonstrate contemporary knowledge of fire department/emergency services/combined agency operations and management, fiscal responsibility, public administration of local governments, and best practices in the management and provision of fire and emergency services. An Executive Fire Officer Certification from the National Fire Academy and/or Chief Fire Officer designation is desirable. It is preferred that the new Fire Chief reside within an acceptable range of the Agency. A comprehensive brochure may be downloaded below. The position provides excellent benefits and a salary range of \$154,000 - \$180,000 annually, depending upon the experience and qualifications of the successful candidate. If you may be interested in being seriously considered for this exceptional career opportunity, please submit *electronically* your cover letter (explaining why you believe you are a [good](#) fit for the position), resume, salary history and four professional references no later than **October 19, 2015** to:

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