

## **FIRE CHIEF THE VILLAGE OF TINLEY PARK, ILLINOIS**

The Village of Tinley Park, with a current population of approximately 60,000, is located in the dynamic and rapidly-growing I-80 corridor of Metro Chicago. The Village is the 14<sup>th</sup> largest city in Metro Chicago. The Village is currently seeking a seasoned, highly experienced, exceptional and dynamic candidate for the position of Fire Chief. This important position serves as administrator of the Fire Department and oversees daily operations. It also ensures that the Fire Department contributes to the long-range plans of the Village.

The Village government has a history of successful elected and appointed leadership, is stable and is well-managed. Resources have been appropriately allocated to provide for a first-class Fire Department and the model of the Department currently being utilized is expected to remain in place for a long time into the future of the Village.

- A Bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university in Fire Science, Public Administration or a closely related field **and** ten (10) years of fire department experience, including experience with a part-time paid-in-place and /or combination department. Experience managing Emergency Medical Technicians and/or Paramedics will be a plus. A related Master's degree is preferred.
- Completion of Fire Officer Training, Incident Command, Fire Service Management, NIMS 100, 200, 300 & 700.
- Completion of Hazardous Materials First Responder, Basic First Aid, EMT, CPR and AED current certification or equivalent training or education.
- Must be a minimum of twenty-one (21) years of age or older at time of hire.
- Must be currently certified as an Illinois State Fire Officer II, Fire Officer III preferred, and extensive experience as a Fire Officer, some of which shall have been at the level of Assistant Fire Chief, Deputy Chief or Captain level.
- Must possess or be able to obtain by time of hire, a valid motor vehicle license (CDL – Class B).

As Fire Chief for the Village of Tinley Park, the successful candidate will be challenged in the areas of:

- Leadership and administration.
- Compliance.
- Budget creation and administration.

The position of Fire Chief is appointed by the Village Mayor and approved by the Board of Trustees. The position is reappointed on an annual basis.

In November, 1901, twenty firefighters came together to form the Tinley Park Volunteer Fire Department. One hundred years later it grew into a professional team of nearly 100 members dedicated to protecting the lives and property of everyone in the Village.

Today, the Department is no longer “volunteer” and it has grown dramatically. The Department is uniquely designed to meet the needs of Village residents with a part-time paid-in-place firefighting team that works diligently to ensure smooth operations in four Village fire stations situated throughout the community.

The primary mission statement of the Tinley Park Fire Department is the protection of life, property and the environment by the delivery of effective and efficient fire protection and prevention.

It is easy to determine why so many people want to call Tinley Park home. The Village is ideally located in the southwest suburbs of Chicago, where residents can find that perfect balance of small-town charm and big-city amenities. With a population of approximately 60,000, the Village is not exactly a small town, but it maintains the sense of community found in towns with much smaller populations.

Tinley Park was named “The Best Place to Raise Your Kids in Illinois” by BusinessWeek magazine, and that title really says it all.

The successful candidate can expect a competitive salary in the range of \$117,085 to \$152,770 per annum depending on qualifications and experience, benefits, reasonable relocation expenses. Residency will be required within one year from date of hire.

This position is open until filled. First review of candidates will occur on October 29, 2016.

Resumes should be sent by 5 PM CDT on October 28, 2016 to **James L. Mercer, President/CEO, The Mercer Group, Inc., 1000 Cordova Place #726, Santa Fe, NM 87505. VOICE: 505-466-9500; FAX: 505-466-1274. E-Mail: [jmercerc@mercergroupinc.com](mailto:jmercerc@mercergroupinc.com); Website: [www.mercergroupinc.com](http://www.mercergroupinc.com) EOE**

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