



# Littlerock • Fire • Rescue

Thurston County Fire Protection District #11

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Dear Applicant:

Thank you for your interest in volunteer service to our community. I am sending you the forms which are required to get you started. We have a few pre-requisites for acceptance as a volunteer at Littlerock Fire Rescue. Please review the information enclosed.

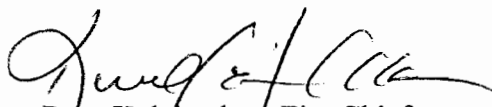
Becoming a volunteer firefighter or EMT takes time and a lot of hard work. You will participate in community events while representing the department and attending training regularly. You will be expected to respond to emergency calls and maintain our apparatus and equipment. We will provide all required clothing and equipment, and will train you at our expense.

In exchange for your volunteer effort, we will reimburse you with a nominal fee each time you respond to a call or attend a training event. This reimbursement will be made annually, in late November. Just in time for holiday shopping. The Fire Department provides life and disability insurance for all active members as well as a state retirement pension plan. We also provide a vital you with medical injury coverage while you are "on the job". Best of all, you can enjoy being a vital part of our community!

Our policy requires that you have a good driving record and pass the criminal background check. Please review the enclosed information on these items and if you feel you meet the standards set forth, please complete the application and history forms, and return them to us. We will send for the Driver's Abstract and Criminal History and pay the fees associated with these reports. We will contact you after reviewing the application and background information.

You have taken the first step in becoming a REAL HERO. When you volunteer at Littlerock Fire Rescue, YOU ARE 9-1-1. Soon after your training is completed, you will begin to realize the true rewards as a volunteer in the fire service. Thank you again for your time and interest. We look forward to hearing from you soon.

Thank You,

  
Russ Kalewaha, Fire Chief

*"Dedicated to Excellence since 1957"*

## STATION LOCATIONS

- ❖ Station 11-1 10828 Littlerock Rd SW (Headquarters Station)
- ❖ Station 11-3 3131 Maytown Rd SW (Maytown Station)
- ❖ Station 11-4 2640 Trevue Ave SW (Scott Lake Station)
- ❖ Station 11-5 10105 Delphi Rd SW (Delphi Station)

## HOURS OF OPERATION

- ❖ Headquarters Station Office Hours: 8:00am - 5:00pm Monday - Friday
- ❖ Staffed for emergency response 24 hours per day

## SERVICES OFFERED AT YOUR FIRE DEPARTMENT

- ❖ CPR First Aid Classes
- ❖ Blood Pressure Checks (walk-ins welcome)
- ❖ Smoke Detectors (free installation)
- ❖ Burn Permits
- ❖ Voter Registration
- ❖ Meeting hall for public use

## STAFF

Chief: Russ Kaleiwahea  
Career Duty Officers: Roger Stone  
Brian Christenson  
Brent Strong

Over 50 Volunteer Firefighters / 18 EMT's

## BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

John Ricks, Chairman of the Board  
Gerald Strong  
Frank Hamilton

**Main Station Telephone (360) 352-1614**

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## **This is the Road to Success in the Fire Service**

**You have already taken the first step.** You thought about giving service to your community. You completed an application for membership in the Volunteer Fire Department.

After you learn a little about our fire department, ask yourself if you really want to do this. **It's going to take a lot of time and REAL commitment.** You should know after the first few days of training. Don't be afraid to say if you're not cut out for it.

You must take every opportunity for training. **Ongoing training is required.** You must take it seriously. You must be a self starter and lead yourself to learning. Being a volunteer firefighter is a profession; it takes a lot of energy to be a part of an elite organization.

**Take an oath of service to your community.** Take the oath knowing you will give up many evenings and weekends washing fire apparatus and cleaning equipment. There are several hours of maintenance for each hour of operation in this business. Know this before you shake hands on it! Your job is not done until everyone is ready for the next call for help. You may be asked to clean up after others.

Learn all there is to know about your engine and your equipment. This job demands a lot from you and from the apparatus. **You will check and double check everything.** Each item must be in working order and you must act instinctively if anything should fail.

**There is a chain of command and orders must be followed.** Soon after you begin responding to alarms, you will be first-in at an emergency scene and in a position of authority. Emergency incident management depends on your respect for fellow firefighters, their positions, experience, and leadership.

**Almost all our calls are for medical aid.** You will see, and touch, and care for sick and injured people. You will see all races and ages, you will meet uncooperative, challenging citizens; you must respect them all equally and leave each with dignity. You will proudly wear a Littlerock Fire Rescue uniform and represent the entire fire department with all you say and do.

Now that you've committed your time, **you must commit yourself to excellence.** There are professional firefighters and unprofessional ones. The citizens depend on you to be the best. When you respond to a 9-1-1 dispatch, you have a duty to act; you will touch the lives of your neighbors in a way they will never forget. You will be a pillar of strength to those who called for you.

**Never quit!** Fighting fire is the most physically demanding activity there is. You cannot let the fire defeat you. You will use your skill and equipment to beat the fire. You are a warrior and you cannot quit. Your life and the life of your fellow firefighters depend on your strength and stamina.

## District Profile

Thurston County Fire District #11 (Littlerock Fire Rescue) encompasses approximately 101 square miles of southwest Thurston County and serves over 10,000 residents. Included in the district are approximately eight miles of Interstate 5 South of Tumwater. Within it's boundaries are two industrial areas. One located on 93<sup>rd</sup> avenue which includes such businesses as Lincoln Creek Lumber, Tru Truss, Washington Cedar and Supply, Johnson and Maddox, PVT Transportation, Crystal Air, Adair Homes and the Restover Truck Stop. Businesses in the Maytown industrial area include: Tri State Motor Freight, L&L Machinery, Ritchie Brothers Auctioneers and several smaller businesses. Within the District are three small grocery store/gas stations: Littlerock Grocery, Villa Grove Grocery and Scott Lace Grocery and two restaurants, the Farm Boy and Hannah's Pantry.

The north end of the district is comprised of mostly single – family residential subdivisions. Moving south, the urban growth management boundary limits single-family dwellings to one home per five acres, with the exception of the Scott Lake Community, a traditional 600 home subdivision.

Multi-family dwellings within the district include the: Park Wood, Prine Villa, Alderwood and Meadows apartments. County estimates are that the majority of an estimated 50,000 new Washington residents expected by the year 2000 will settle in Thurston County because of the appeal of open space, a good job market, including state government agency headquarters and moderately priced housing. South Thurston County is expected to absorb a large portion of this anticipated growth. For these reasons, growth in our district is expected to continue for years.

The majority of the District's students attend schools within the Tumwater School District. Littlerock Elementary (K-6<sup>th</sup> grades) which provides services to approximately 425 students, is located in the community of Littlerock. Also located in the District is the new Black Hills High School with a capacity of 1250 students. The high school is a complex with over 200,000 square feet spanning almost 40 acres.