Some important facts about how Emergency Services are provided in Erie County and how to join our team:

✓ Volunteers Provide the Fire Protection and/or Emergency Medical Services (EMS) in Your Community (Outside of the Cities of Buffalo and Lackawanna)

✓ There are 94 volunteer fire departments and 5 volunteer emergency squads and approximately 5,000+ volunteer fire fighters and EMS personnel in Erie County

✓ No previous emergency services experience or training is required

✓ Some fire companies offer limited forms of membership such as EMS Only, Fire Police Only, Fire Fighting Only, Rescue Only or Associate Membership – while others require that you participate in all emergency services

✓ Some fire companies offer a Length of Service Award Program (LOSAP) which rewards members for years of service

✓ Many fire companies offer a Firefighting Explorer Post program for youths age 14-18 and/or a mens/ladies auxiliary

✓ Many Volunteer Emergency Squads, Ambulance Corps and HazMat Teams do not have residency requirements

✓ Most fire departments offer FREE training, personal protection equipment, pagers, uniforms, and/or other department apparel

✓ All Fire Companies & Emergency Squads in Erie County Need Additional Volunteers.

VOLUNTEER TODAY.

MAKE FRIENDS FOR LIFE.

For More Information about Volunteering in Emergency Services: Contact Your Local Volunteer Fire Department or Emergency Squad or Erie County Fire Safety at 716/681-7111 – via e-mail at: fire@erie.gov – www.erie.gov

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