



Tennessee Fire Chiefs Association (TFCA) Scholarship Application Symposium in the Sun 2022, Clearwater, Florida.

The Tennessee Fire Chiefs Association (TFCA), in partnership with the International Association of Fire Chiefs (IAFC), is pleased to offer a scholarship through the TFCA Phase II FEMA funded SAFER grant to three qualified volunteer firefighters in Tennessee to attend leadership focus symposium to be held **November 10 – 13, 2022** at Hilton Clearwater, Clearwater Beach, Florida.

Symposium in the Sun provides leadership trainings intended to help you address:

- The unique needs of volunteer leadership in your department
- Heavy emphasis on Recruitment and Retention ideas for your department
- The networking opportunities give you the chance to share and learn ideas and solutions with colleagues from all over the country
- The vendors attending can help departments of any size, giving you the tools and equipment necessary to ensure everyone on your team comes home.

Awarded applicants will be reimbursed for hotel, travel, and conference registration for up to **\$1,500** and they are expected to attend classes and network while at the conference

All submissions should be sent via email to Chief Eddie Phillips at ephillips801@gmail.com

NO LATER THAN September 30th for consideration.

The IAFC's Volunteer & Combination Officer Section (VCOS) provides chiefs officers who manage volunteers within a volunteer or combination fire, rescue or EMS delivery system with information, education, services and representation to enhance their professionalism.

Learn more at IAFC.org/VCOS

For more information about registering, please visit [Symposium in the Sun](#).

For more information about the program, contact Chief Eddie Phillips at 423-802-7794 or ephillips801@gmail.com, or Shakir Mohammed, IAFC/VWS at smohammed@iafc.org

please visit the website at www.VolunteerFireTN.org.

Applications are due **Friday, September 30, 2022.**

TFCA Scholarship Application Form Symposium in the Sun 2022

The Tennessee Fire Chiefs Association (TFCA), in partnership with the International Association of Fire Chiefs (IAFC), is pleased to announce the continuation of its second phase of its Volunteer Workforce Solutions (VWS) program, which works with national, state, and local organizations to support initiatives focused on the recruitment and retention of volunteer firefighters. As part of the Phase II program, interested applicants will be given the opportunity to attend an TFCA approved and/or IAFC conference. This application is for a scholarship that will cover travel, hotel and conference registration for **Symposium in the Sun** to be held November 10 – 13, 2022 in Clearwater, Florida. Selected applicants are expected to attend classes and network while at the conference.

How to apply:

- Complete the Applicant and Fire Department Information section of this form. This application should be reviewed and approved by the Fire Chief of your department. Their signature and current operating budget for training is required to proceed in the application process.
- Provide a one-page essay in addition to this form on why you should be selected to attend this conference.
 - a. Why neither you nor your department can afford to fund this type of training and travel cost, and
 - b. How this training will benefit both you and your department in the future.
 Please feel free to utilize page 2 of this form to write or type your essay.
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- Awarded applicants will be reimbursed for hotel, travel, and conference registration for up to \$1,500.
 - o Up to 3 nights hotel stay (\$200/night), Conference Registration up to \$300, Travel up to \$600
- For more information about registering, please visit [Symposium in the Sun](#).

Applicant Information			
Name:			
Current Address:			
APT, Suite, etc.:		City:	State:
ZIP Code:	Phone:	Email:	
Fire Department Information			
Fire Department:			
Fire Department Address:			
Phone:		E-mail:	Fax:
City/Town:	State:	ZIP Code:	
Position:		Current Operational Training Budget:	
Fire Chief Printed Name:		Fire Chief Signature:	

Questions? Contact Shakir Mohammed at 571-732-7116 or smohammed@iafc.org or Chief Phillips at 423-802-7794 or ephillips801@gmail.com

