

TFCA Scholarship Application Form

Symposium in the Sun 2023

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 9 – 12, 2023 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.
- All submissions should be sent via email to Chief Eddie Phillips at ephillips801@gmail.com **NO LATER THAN September 15th** for consideration. He will respond by October 2nd, 2023. Please note the quick turnaround.
- 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? Please contact the individuals below.

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