

Sunriver Fire and Rescue Reserve/Volunteer program



About Us

The Sunriver Fire Department is located between circle 3 and circle 4 on Abbot Drive and was built in 1995. The fire station is a 13,000 square ft., two level building. It is equipped with two ambulances, a structural engine, a 75' ladder truck, one interface engine, one light brush engine and a reserve structure engine. The department apparatus is equipped with state-of-the-art equipment including extrication equipment such the "jaws of life", a 12-lead defibrillator/monitor on our ambulances, and interface (wildland) firefighting equipment.

There are three full time career Fire Captains, three Engineers, and three firefighters in addition to the Fire Chief, Deputy Fire Chief and a full-time administrative assistant. Presently the department is supported by 18 reserve firefighters, many are certified as EMTs. These reserves are highly dedicated, skilled and a valuable resource in providing everyday operations.

The department ensures optimum training and motivational opportunities for its members. Ongoing firefighter and EMT in service training is provided to all personnel through regular shift drills and special drill sessions to upgrade individual and departmental needs.

The department's responsibility for fire suppression primarily lies within the boundaries of Sunriver. The ambulance service response area encompasses 322 sq. miles, covering north of Lava Butte and south off of Hwy. 97 to Vandervert road. East and west it reaches from the Lava Cast Forest to the Lane County line.



About Sunriver

Sunriver is a planned community approximately 15 miles south of Bend, Oregon surrounded by the Deschutes National Forest. From its inception in 1968, the intent of planners, ecologists, and developers alike was to create a community which would provide an unusually attractive place to live, appealing especially to sports enthusiasts, the outdoor person, retirees, artists, and anyone attracted to a controlled area of scenic beauty.

The resort complex stretches across 3,373 acres of high desert, meadow, and thickly forested land in Deschutes County, and is crisscrossed by the rambling Deschutes River. With its interrelated villages, comprised of homes, condominiums, dining, recreational and shopping facilities, it attracts tourists from all over the world.

Sunriver boasts year round sporting and leisure activities which include skiing, snowmobiling, golfing, tennis, fishing, canoeing, white water rafting, bicycling, horseback riding, and hiking.

Just west through the Cascades lakes scenic tour route, you'll find 16 sparkling high mountain lakes: north on Hwy. 97 awaits the Newberry National Volcanic Monument; to the west side of Hwy. 97 offers Lava River Caves, Paulina Lake at Newberry Crater, and the High Desert Museum.

Sunriver enjoys unlimited activities such as festivals, concerts, banquets, and picnics hosted by area businesses, and it is greatly enhanced by community involvement and a genuine spirit to insure a good time.

Reserve Goals

The goal of the reserve program is to produce highly skilled and marketable Firefighter/Paramedics through training, certifications, and on the job experience.

Reserve Expectations

To be eligible for membership as a Reserve Firefighter of Sunriver Fire and Rescue, the candidates must be at least 18 years of age, be insurable to drive fire apparatus, and be free of any felony convictions.

New reserve personnel are expected to successfully complete a 12 month probationary period, in which time, you will be expected to obtain your CPR and EMT certification.

You will be expected to earn a minimum of five merits per month with the opportunity to earn a maximum of ten allowable. Each 24 hours worked will earn the reserve one merit for the month.



Reserve Reimbursement/Merit Pay

As a Reserve with Sunriver Fire & Rescue you will be reimbursed one merit per 24 hours worked while on shift. Reserves are expected to earn five merits per month with a maximum of 10 allowed. Stipend during probationary year is currently \$70.00 per merit. After successful completion of the probationary period the stipend is \$80.00 for EMT's and \$100.00 for Paramedics.

Questions

If you have any questions regarding Sunriver Fire & Rescue or if you'd like to visit the station and take advantage of our ride-along program, please contact Deputy Chief Rod Bjorvik by phone at 541-593-8622 or email rodb@sunriverfire.org