

Why Hire a Veteran?

The seven largest fire departments in Sacramento County area are motivated to hire honorably discharged Veterans.

The teamwork, discipline, and experience that Veterans bring to the table are qualities sought after for a stable and effective firefighting and emergency medical services operation.

As a result, most fire departments in the greater Sacramento region, *offer Veterans bonus points or preference in the competitive hiring process.*



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For more information, contact any of the following fire departments below or visit: <https://myfirecareer.org>

Cosumnes Fire (Elk Grove/Galt)
(916) 405-7100
www.cosumnescsd.gov/968/Fire

Folsom City Fire
(916) 461-6300
www.folsom.ca.us/government/fire

Sacramento City Fire
(916) 808-8568
www.CityofSacramento.org/Fire/Careers

U.C. Davis Fire
(530) 752-1236
www.fire.ucdavis.edu/

Sacramento Metropolitan Fire
(916) 859-4300
JoinMetroFire.org

West Sacramento Fire
CityofWestSacramento.org/government/departments/fire/careers

Woodland Fire
(530) 661-5809 (Human Resources)
CityofWoodland.org/252/Employment



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Dear Veteran, Why a Firefighting Career?



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Why this Career?

The journey will require an EMT certificate or Paramedic license; and additional training as required for any other firefighter candidate.

Some Reasons for Why This Career:

- Mission Driven
- Team Environment
- Work with Motivated People
- Another way to serve your community
- Existing work that makes a difference saving lives
- Training and preparing for the Mission
- Similar Esprit De Corp as in the Military
- Stable wages and benefits
- Government Retirement – CALPERS Safety Pension
- Multiple Career paths with applicable Military background



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Evacuation Technician

Are You Suited for a Firefighting Career?

Do you always try to do the right thing? Are you trustworthy? Do you show respect for others? Are you a team player? Do you hold yourself accountable? Are you a leader in your own right? Are you looking for a career that is physically challenging, as well as professionally rewarding?

If you answer “yes” to all these questions, begin your journey here:
www.myfirecareer.org

Multiple Career Paths in the Fire Service for Veteran Army Medics, Aerospace Medical Service Specialists, and Navy Corpsmen:

EMTs and Paramedics use similar skills that you may have used if you were an Army Medic, Air Force Aerospace Medical Service Specialist, or Navy Hospital Corpsman during deployments or while stationed at home.

If you have served as a military Medic, Aerospace Medical Service Specialist, or Hospital Corpsman, you may have obtained certification from the **National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians** at the EMT level, or higher. This can make for an easier transition; however, you will still need to be certified or licensed in your State.

If you do not have these certifications, you can complete the training at a technical or community college using your **GI Bill benefits**. Cosumnes River College and American River College offer programs from six months to two years long for this type of training.