THE CITY OF BLAINE, MINNESOTA

**ANNOUNCES AN OPENING FOR A**

**FIRE INSPECTOR I/FIREFIGHTER**

**SALARY**

$32.48 - $42.21 per hour per DBM B23 of the 2023 Compensation Plan depending upon qualifications and experience, plus excellent benefits.

## POSITION SUMMARY

The first level of the Firefighting/Inspection Series is responsible for combating fires (including use of various fire apparatus), performing rescue operations, conducting city ordinance and standard fire code inspections. Responsibilities may include performance based training; providing medical care as a first responder; responding to hazardous material incidents; performing fire code and city ordinance inspections.

**ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

1. Responds to fire suppression, hazard mitigation, victim rescue, and medical emergencies; maintains readiness for emergency call response; extinguishes fires and performs related life and property protection; provides emergency medical care at a basic and advanced life support level.
2. Ensures the proper condition, maintenance, and appearance of apparatuses and equipment; prepares apparatuses for immediate response.
3. Prepares, maintains, and/or updates incident and other reports and documentation.
4. Participates in training drills, safety checks, and physical fitness activities and exercises; and participates in/facilitates fire department programs or training sessions to educate staff and public on fire safety/prevention.
5. Administers abatements of nuisances.
6. Performs residential inspections to identify fire hazards and ensure compliance with fire, housing, zoning, and related codes; issues orders of correction.
7. Performs other duties of a similar nature or level.

Examples of job duties may include, but are not limited to:

* Enforces state and local fire codes in response to inspections, complaints, and fire incidences.
* Inspects commercial, industrial, and residential complexes to ensure compliance with the state and local fire code. Issues orders of correction that may include timed compliance, immediate closure or stop work orders.
* Promotes and maintains the safety and well-being of the residents of the City by enforcement of state and local codes by responding to citizen complaints, identifying violations and issuing violation notices.
* Conducts routine inspections of rental housing property to ensure compliance with the housing maintenance and fire codes.
* Responds to citizen complaints, identifying violations, resolves disputes, and issues violation notices.
* Fulfill all minimum Spring Lake Park-Blaine-Mounds View firefighter requirements including:
* Attend all drills (with the exception of vacation days and excused absences).
* Attend all fire calls received by his/her assigned station per department policy during his/her normal work hours.
* Pass all agility and proficiency testing requirements as specified by the department.

These examples are intended only as illustrations of various types of work performed, and are not necessarily all-inclusive. The job description is subject to change as the needs of the employer and requirements of the job change.

## KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES

1. Applicable Federal, State, and local laws and regulations;
2. Fire suppression procedures and processes;
3. Emergency medical care procedures and processes;
4. Code enforcement procedures and processes;
5. Residential inspection procedures and processes;
6. Applicable equipment and tools;
7. Report procedures and processes;
8. Computers and applicable software applications.
9. Applying applicable Federal, State, and local laws and regulations;
10. Preparing correspondence, memos, and/or other related information;
11. Performing fire suppression;
12. Providing emergency medical care;
13. Performing inspections;
14. Operating applicable equipment;
15. Operating computers and applicable software applications;
16. Applying communication, interpersonal skills as applied to interaction with coworkers, supervisor, the general public, etc. sufficient to exchange or convey information and to receive work direction.

## MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

1. High school diploma or GED.
2. Certified as Fire Inspector I by the Minnesota Fire Service Certification Board.
3. Certified as a Firefighter II by the Minnesota Fire Service Certification Board.
4. Certified as a First Responder by the Minnesota Emergency Medical Services Regulatory Board.
5. Valid MN Class D or higher driver license.

## DESIRABLE QUALIFICATIONS

1. Associates or Bachelors degree in fire science or related field.
2. One-year inspection experience.
3. Current certification as, Fire Inspector II and EMT.

**PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS**

Positions in this class typically require: climbing, balancing, stooping, kneeling, crouching, crawling, reaching, standing, walking, pushing, pulling, lifting, finger dexterity, grasping, feeling, talking, hearing, seeing and repetitive motions.

Very Heavy Work: Exerting in excess of 100 pounds of force occasionally, and/or in excess of 50 pounds of force frequently, and/or in excess of 20 pounds of force constantly to move objects.

Incumbents may be exposed to hazardous physical conditions, such as, mechanical parts, electrical currents, and vibrations; atmospheric conditions, such as fumes, odors, gases, and poor ventilation; hazardous materials, such as chemicals, blood, and other bodily fluids; extreme temperatures; inadequate lighting; work space-related movement restrictions; intense noise; and other environmental conditions, such as, challenging behaviors, imminent danger, and threatening environments.

**CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT:** Offer of employment is contingent upon successful completion of a comprehensive background check, physical agilities exam, pre-employment psychological evaluation and medical examination/drug test after offer of employment has been made.

**APPLICATIONS:** Application materials can be obtained at [www.blainemn.gov/jobs](http://www.blainemn.gov/jobs). Applications must be received by 4:30 PM, Friday, June 16, 2023.

The position description does not constitute an employment agreement between the employer and employee and is subject to change by the employer as the needs of the employer and the requirements of the job change.

The City of Blaine is an Equal Opportunity Employer. In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, the City will provide reasonable accommodations to qualified individuals with disabilities and encourages both prospective and current employees to discuss potential accommodations with the employer.

The City of Blaine encourages qualified applicants of all backgrounds, cultures, races, gender, age and abilities to apply. *As* an equal opportunity employer, consideration for employment will be given without regard to race, color, religion, age, sex, national origin, disability status, genetics, protected veteran status, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, or any other characteristic protected by federal, state or local laws.