

# WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA ASSOCIATION OF FIREFIGHTERS

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## *2020 South Atlantic Fire Rescue Expo/Annual Conference Grant*

**PURPOSE:** To provide a sponsorship to a member department of the Western North Carolina Association of Firefighters (WNCAFF) that wishes to send representation to the 2020 South Atlantic Fire Rescue Expo and joint annual conferences of the North Carolina State Firefighters' Association and the North Carolina Association of Fire Chiefs. It is the intent of the WNCAFF to offer this opportunity to someone who has not attended the conference in the past. However, the scholarship will be awarded to a member department to choose the attendee.

Raleigh Convention Center – **August 12-15, 2020**

For conference details visit: [www.southatlanticfirerescueexpo.com](http://www.southatlanticfirerescueexpo.com)

Each year, fire-rescue service personnel from all over North Carolina come together for skill building and learning sessions that will help them serve their communities to the fullest. The annual conference is an opportunity to refresh the skills needed every day, learn new approaches and techniques, and network with others in the fire-rescue service industry from all over North Carolina and other South Atlantic states. Conference attendees participate in a variety of informational programs, instructional programs and training opportunities coupled along with the experience of one of the largest expositions in the fire-rescue service industry.

The WNCAFF Executive Board will accept applications (by email or postal service) up to (postmarked) **December 31, 2019** and will select the grant recipient based upon the **demonstrated interest and financial need of the member department**. The grant recipient will be contacted by **January 8, 2020** and announced at the January WNCAFF meeting. *(The WNCAFF Treasurer will coordinate with recipients to award the grant money). {Departments awarded the Scholarship are only eligible every 5 years}.*

Please answer the following questions and submit to address below:

**Western North Carolina Association of Firefighters - Secretary**  
**103 South Avenue**  
**Swannanoa, NC 286778**  
**ATTN: CONFERENCE SPONSORSHIP**

**Department Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **County:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Department Mailing Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Contact Person:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Contact #:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Contact E-Mail Address:** \_\_\_\_\_



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1. Has a member of your department attended a quarterly meeting of the WNCAFF within the past 12-months?  
(Circle all that apply)

January 2019

April/ 2019

July/2019

October/2019

If not, please explain why: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Has a member of your department ever attended the South Atlantic Fire Rescue Expo and joint annual conference of both the North Carolina State Firefighters' Association and the North Carolina Association of Fire Chiefs?

YES

NO

If not, please explain why: \_\_\_\_\_

3. What is the annual operating budget of your department? \_\_\_\_\_

4. How many personnel are on your department's roster? \_\_\_\_\_

5. Briefly explain your department's financial need for this grant:

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6. Briefly explain why your department should be selected for this grant:

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7. How can the WNCAFF be of better help to your department?

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Fire Chief Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Board President/Manager/Mayor Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_