

**Fire Chief**  
**\$96,047.00 - \$153,337.00 Annually**  
**Full-Time Regular**  
**Closing Date: 11/16/14, 11:59 pm - EST**  
**City of Gainesville-Gainesville, FL**

The award-winning **City of Gainesville, Florida (pop. 125,000 and home to the University of Florida)** is seeking a highly motivated and experienced fire service professional with a passion for public service to serve as its next **Fire Chief**. Gainesville Fire Rescue has been saving lives and property since 1882. The department's 154 firefighters and 16 emergency vehicles respond to over 16,000 calls a year. From Operations to Support Services to Risk Reduction, the department is dedicated to providing excellent service with well-trained, caring personnel. The City of Gainesville seeks to build on Gainesville Fire Rescue's recent achievements: becoming an accredited agency through the Commission on Fire Accreditation International in March 2014 and improving the community's ISO rating from class 3/9 to class 2/2x.

The Gainesville Fire Chief will provide vision, direction and leadership in forming innovative approaches to the delivery of quality emergency response services. The Fire Chief oversees an all-hazards department responding to emergency and non-emergency calls for service for fire suppression, medical services, hazardous materials releases, technical rescues, emergency management, automatic alarms and aircraft rescue/firefighting. The Fire Chief will also be responsible for a full range of risk reduction services including fire safety inspection, fire investigative services, public education and community partnerships. As a member of the City's Leadership Team, the Fire Chief will actively bring professional insights and an overall desire to continually improve our community.

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[http://www.cityofgainesville.org/GainesvilleFireRescue\(GFR\).aspx](http://www.cityofgainesville.org/GainesvilleFireRescue(GFR).aspx)

**The incumbent hired in this position will be required to perform** highly responsible and complex executive level work planning and directing the activities of the City's fire department; provide leadership and support of the organization's vision while overseeing the administrative and operational functions of the department; and direct the management of fiscal and non-fiscal resources and preparation of the annual department budget.

**To be considered for this position you must have a** bachelor's degree from an accredited four-year college or university with major course work in fire science or related subject, and eight (8) years of progressively responsible management and supervisory experience at a command level of District/Battalion Chief or higher; or an equivalent combination of education, training and experience which provide the required knowledge, skills and abilities. A valid Florida driver's license is required at the time of appointment.

**Required certifications:**

- Valid State of Florida paramedic certification required.
- Certificate of Compliance as a State of Florida Firefighter required.

**Note:**

- The Fire Chief serves at the will of the City Manager and may be appointed or removed at will by the City Manager.
- Residence within the City limits required

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