Interested in becoming a Belen Fire Fighter?

A Belen Fire Fighter serves the community in a public safety position of trust. Firefighters must be trustworthy, honest and willing to demonstrate loyalty and reliability.

This includes having a clean driving record with no criminal background, no use of illegal or illicit drugs, or any felony record or history of DUI/DWI.

The fire fighting profession is a personal commitment that takes preparation through education, rigorous training, and on-the-job skills instruction at no cost to you and benefits the community that we serve.

A Belen Fire Fighter is seen as a leader in the community; one that upholds their oath and provides a critical service to their fellow neighbors, strangers, family and friends.



Who are we?

Members of the Belen Fire Department are comprised of men and women of all ages and expertise that have a desire to serve their community. We all have personal lives and families yet we have the dedication and commitment it takes to serve our fellow neighbors, strangers and family alike. We are the pride of the Hub City.

What we do

Our department responds to approximately 3,000 calls per year that range from brush fires, medical rescue calls, house fires, fire alarms, vehicle fires, and hazardous materials incidents, just to name a few.

We are very involved in our community and participate and support the many events throughout the year. Examples are:

- Fire Prevention Week
- 9/11 Memorial Event
- National Night Out
- Emergency Medical Services Week
- Parades and Community Events
- Fire Prevention and Safety Programs
- School Fieldtrips
- Health Fairs



Become a Volunteer Fire Fighter



CITY OF BELEN FIRE DEPARTMENT

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Recruitment Process

Recruitment starts with you. If you have the drive, want and determination to become a member of a family, all it takes is you willing to give part of yourself for the betterment of our community. You give is your time, we will give you the training.

All applicants will be screened and candidates meeting the minimum requirements will be allowed to join our department. Applicants will then meet with the fire chief to review requirements and expectations, be sized for uniforms and protective gear.

A fire fighter task book will be issued that covers the minimum training necessary to become familiar with our trucks and equipment. The candidate must attend the next scheduled fire academy to become a certificated fire fighter.

All applicants receive stipend pay and are eligible to receive other compensation throughout your service time with our department.



Do you have what it takes?

The Belen Fire Department values are:

- Professionalism
- Honesty & Integrity
- Accountability
- Teamwork
- Self motivation
- Community Service

Applicants that demonstrate a strong work ethic, a sense of public service, self motivation and initiative, good and proper judgment, responsibility and a willingness to learn and improve are more likely to be recruited.



Education and Training

Initial and continuing education is a critical component of fire fighting. Specialized and advanced training are provided at no cost to every member and are done usually in-house. We also utilize the NM Fire Training Academy in Socorro to augment our training program.

Examples include:

Hazardous Materials • Fire Fighter levels 1 and 2 Vehicle Extrication • Emergency Medical Services Fire Apparatus operation • Wildland Firefighting



Benefits of becoming a fire fighter

All members receive:

- FREE fire/rescue training
- FREE uniforms
- FREE personal protective gear
- FREE CPR and First Aid training
- Stipend and incentive Pay
- Fire Department communications equipment
- Community Trust and Respect

Minimum Requirements

- Be at least 18 years of age
- Live within the Belen Fire District*
- Have a valid NM Driver's License and good record
- Pass background check and drug/alcohol screening
- Provide a minimum of 48 service hours per month
- Successfully complete initial cadet training program
- Attend additional fire/rescue training as required
- Attend department functions as required
- Attend community events as required
- Attend department meetings as required
- Have a positive attitude and a willing to learn
- Represent the department in a positive manner

*Those applicants that in Belen/Valencia County will have preference