



# INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FIRE CHIEFS FOUNDATION

## SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM Company Officer Leadership Symposium 2012

DEADLINE: JUNE 1, 2012

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**This scholarship award will include the COLS registration fee and a \$300 stipend to offset travel expenses.**

Name of applicant \_\_\_\_\_ Date of birth \_\_\_\_\_ Male/Female \_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Rank \_\_\_\_\_

Department Type: Volunteer \_\_\_\_ Career/Paid \_\_\_\_ Combination Dept. \_\_\_\_

Total years in fire service \_\_\_\_

Name of department you are currently a member of or employed by \_\_\_\_\_

Have you previously attended the IAFC's Company Officer Leadership Symposium (COLS): \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, when \_\_\_\_\_ where: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you currently a member of the IAFC? \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, provide member number \_\_\_\_\_

Is your department able to fund your attendance at COLS? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_

Applicant's signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**TO BE COMPLETED BY COMMANDING OFFICER**

Commanding Officer \_\_\_\_\_ Rank \_\_\_\_\_

Fire Department Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Length of applicant's service with the department: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Send completed applications to IAFC Foundation, 4025 Fair Ridge Drive, Suite 300, Fairfax, VA 22033-2868. Please do not send registered mail. For more information please contact Ms. Jennifer Cooke at [jcooke@iafc.org](mailto:jcooke@iafc.org) or call 703.896-4822.

**PLEASE SEE BACK OF THIS DOCUMENT FOR MORE INFORMATION**

2012 COMPANY OFFICER LEADERSHIP SYMPOSIUM SCHOLARSHIP  
ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

**Applicant Criteria**

- Applicant must be a current member of the American or Canadian Fire Service.
- Applicant must currently be an active member of a state, county, providential, municipal, community, industrial or federal fire department. Volunteers must have at least three years experience; Career/Paid must have at least two years.
- Applicant must have demonstrated proficiency as a member of the fire service.
- Applicant should currently occupy a supervisory, company officer or similar position.
- If awarded this scholarship, applicant agrees to use the scholarships funds to attend the 2012 COLS program in Denver, CO.
- If awarded this scholarship, applicant agrees to be included in future IAFC Foundation promotional materials.
- Completed application packages must be received by June 1, 2012 in order to be considered.

**Application Procedure**

- Complete the IAFC Foundation scholarship application form designated for the 2012 COLS scholarship.
- Provide two letters of endorsement acknowledging your demonstrated proficiency as a member of the fire service.
- Provide current resume.
- Provide a 250 word personal statement that outlines:
  1. How attendance of the COLS 2012 program will benefit your fire service career and your department.
  2. Demonstrates financial need.
- For ease in processing your application package, please assemble these documents in the above order and please do not use staples.
- Completed application packages can be mailed or emailed. Please do not fax your application.

**Mailing Address:**

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**Scholarship Scoring Guidelines**

All applications will be reviewed by the IAFC Foundation Scholarship Committee. The Committee will judge each application in terms of:

1. Benefits to be derived from the scholarship by the applicant, the applicant's community and the fire service based on the applicant's essay.
2. Benefits to be derived by the applicant and the fire and emergency medical service that are outside normal fire department staff development training.
3. Evidence that the applicant meets all the applicant criteria and has submitted a completed application package and submitted it by the specified deadline.