

SOUTH METRO FIRE RESCUE AUTHORITY



January 24, 2022

Dear Neighbors,

Have you ever wondered what firefighters do? Or what it's like to be inside a burning building? Or how to improve your family's safety? Or how to use the Jaws of Life to save someone from a car crash? Or how investigators find the causes of fires? Or how dispatchers direct resources to emergencies?

We at South Metro Fire Rescue invite you to participate in our annual Citizens Academy. This 10-week academy is a rare opportunity to discover the mysteries of modern firefighting and learn priceless life-saving skills. You'll learn about South Metro Fire Rescue from behind the scenes and learn about yourself and your community in the process.

Please note, this program is NOT a stepping-stone to applying for a job at South Metro Fire Rescue as a firefighter or any other position. If you are interested in applying for careers at our agency, visit our website: www.southmetro.org.

All classes are on Thursdays from 6-10 p.m. Each of the ten classes is taught or facilitated by SMFR personnel. Here is a summary of the current schedule:

March 24, 2022	Program and Agency Introduction
March 31, 2022	Dispatch and Wellness Bureaus
April 7, 2022	CPR/AED Certification
April 14, 2022	Fire Behavior
April 21, 2022	Ice Rescue
April 28, 2022	Aircraft Rescue Fire Fighting
May 5, 2022	Community Risk Reduction and Fire Marshal's Office
May 12, 2022	Tech Rescue Team
May 19, 2022	Wildfire Operations and Mitigation
May 26, 2022	Risk Reduction Modules and Graduation Ceremony

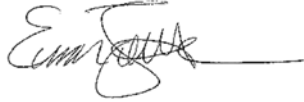
Locations vary depending on the topic. Attendance is critical to your success in the program so participants are expected to attend every class.

There is a \$30 participation fee, but financial aid may be available if needed.

Participants perform physically-challenging activities such as rappelling, crawling, and performing CPR on mannikins. While we won't exclude candidates based on physical abilities, we want to be transparent about the nature of the activities.

This program is open to adults aged 18 and older who live in or work in our jurisdiction. To apply for this amazing opportunity, submit the attached application by February 4, 2022, to einar.jensen@southmetro.org. We appreciate your consideration of the 2022 Citizens Academy.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Einar Jensen', followed by a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Einar Jensen
Risk Reduction Specialist and Citizens Academy Co-Coordinator
South Metro Fire Rescue



Application Process

Thank you for your interest in participating in the Citizens Academy with South Metro Fire Rescue. Applications are due at the close of business on February 4, 2022.

Applicant Note:

The following application is intended to get information that will ensure a safe and comfortable academy experience. Throughout the ten weeks of the academy, participants will be engaged from time to time in strenuous activities and interact closely with other participants. There is a \$30 materials fee for participants after they are accepted into the program.

Return Completed Applications to:

South Metro Fire Rescue – E Jensen
9195 E. Mineral Ave.,
Centennial, CO 80112
Einar.Jensen@southmetro.org

Date Received: _____

Instructions: Please answer each question completely and accurately, using N/A when appropriate.

Applicant Information:

Full Legal Name:

Last Name

First Name

Middle Name

Address:

Street

City

State

Zip Code

Telephone

Home: _____ Social Security Number: _____

Work/Cell: _____

Email Address: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Height: _____ Weight: _____

Occupation or Course of Study if in School: _____

Applicants must be available to attend all classes. Are you available and committed to attend every class?

() Yes () No

If not available, please list the dates you are not available and the reason: _____

This program will require a reasonable amount of physical activity including walking, bending, stretching, lifting, pushing, and pulling among other indoor and outdoor activities. Do you have any medical conditions that will prevent you from participating in this program?

() Yes () No

What do you hope to learn or accomplish by completing this citizens academy?

Why should you be selected to attend this academy? *(Please feel free to attach another sheet if more room is needed.)*

Community groups with which you are affiliated:

How could those groups benefit from your participation in this program?

How did you hear about the Citizens Academy?

SMFR website _____ Next Door _____ Facebook _____ Other internet source _____

Personal Contact _____ Other (Please Explain): _____

Certification & Release (read carefully before signing):

In consideration of my application to attend the 2022 Citizens Academy, I give South Metro Fire Rescue permission to check my personal background and references, and to conduct other background checks such as arrest records, convictions, and traffic citations as necessary to ensure the integrity of the class. The above information is correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: _____

This application is valid for six months from the date above.

Please send your completed application to the following address **by February 4, 2022**:

Citizens Academy
South Metro Fire Rescue – E Jensen
9195 E. Mineral Avenue
Centennial, CO 80112
Einar.Jensen@southmetro.org

Questions?

Please call Einar Jensen at 720-989-2273 or email: Einar.Jensen@southmetro.org

