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# March Madness Membership Drive

# **OFCA Committee Sign-up**

As a member of the Ohio Fire Chiefs' Association, you can actively participate in committees. Joining one or more of these committees will not only provide excellent networking opportunities but also allow you to share resources and engage more deeply with the association. Remember, current members earn half a point for each new or existing member who joins a committee.

Your contact information will be provided to the chair(s) of any committees you selected, and you will be notified of any meetings or conference calls that the committee will be holding.

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To join a committee, please check the box next to each one you wish to join:	
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☐ Conference Committee	☐ Metro Chiefs Committee
☐ DEI Task Force	☐ Publications Committee
☐ Education Committee (OF&ESF)	☐ Retired Chiefs' Committee
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☐ Emergency Medical Services Committee	☐ Safety, Health and Wellness Committee
☐ Legislative Committee	☐ Scholarship Committee (OF&ESF)
□ LODD – Line of Duty Death Committee	☐ Volunteer Committee
☐ Marketing Committee	☐ Water Delivery TAC
☐ Membership Committee	☐ Women in Fire Committee

#### **OFCA Committee Outlines**

1. Conference Committee: Chair – Vacant The Conference Committee shall oversee the planning and logistics of the annual conference. The Chairperson shall be appointed by the President at the conclusion of the last completed Conference. The Chairperson will adhere to the guidelines established by the Board of Directors and will be responsible for developing the program for the next Annual Conference in collaboration with the various committees of the Association. The Chairperson shall propose topics and/or programs for the Conference, and in coordination with the Host Committee, provide a program for spouses and guests who accompany members to the Conference. All plans and programs will be presented to and approved by the Board of Directors before final acceptance.

# 2. Education Committee (OF&ESF): Chair - Chief Jeff Deeks

The Education Committee (OF&ESF) shall consist of such members as the Board deems necessary. The committee shall keep itself informed of changes in education and training requirements of the fire service and inform the Association of such changes.

# 3. Emergency Medical Services Committee: Chair – Deputy Chief Jason Hartley

The Emergency Medical Services Committee shall keep informed of all matters affecting emergency medical service. They shall keep the membership advised of all such information. They shall be the liaison between the Association and all agencies and departments of the State of Ohio involving emergency medical services.

# 4. Legislative Committee: Chair - Chief Steve Agenbroad

The Legislative Committee shall keep informed of proposed fire service legislation and update the Association of such information. They shall work to pass or defeat all legislation affecting the fire service and the Association.

# 5. LODD - Line of Duty Death Committee: Chair - Retired Inspector Jack Guyton

The LODD – Line of Duty Death – Committee is active with assisting fire departments with firefighter funerals and working with the fire departments and families on all potential benefit claim processes.

# 6. Marketing Committee: Chair - Retired Chief Colin Altman

The Marketing Committee develops strategies and tactics for branding and promoting the Association and Foundation to members, prospective members, and business partners.

#### 7. Membership Committee: Chair – Chief Joe Kitchen

The Membership Committee shall increase and develop all categories of membership within the Association. The Committee will continuously review membership benefits and programs and suggest/develop new benefits and/or programs that will be relevant and helpful to the membership. The Committee will serve in an advisory capacity to the Board of Directors with respect to membership benefits, programs, and classifications.

#### 8. Metro Chiefs Committee: Chair – Assistant Chief Nick Hosford

The Metro Chiefs Committee shall represent agencies with a population of 50,000 and greater and 100 or more full time employees.

#### 9. Publications Committee: Chair - Chief Dave Jeter

The Publications Committee shall be responsible for developing, organizing and publishing magazines, web articles, and other such media as may be deemed necessary to carry the message and activities of the Association to its' members.

# 10. Retired Chiefs' Committee: Chair - Retired Chief Scott Skeldon

The Retired Chiefs' Committee shall keep informed of all matters affecting retired Chiefs of the Ohio Fire Service. All such information shall be communicated to the membership of the Association.

# 11. Safety, Health, and Wellness Committee: Chair – Retired Chief Jack Rupp.

The Safety, Health, and Wellness Committee will create programs and provide resources for Ohio fire and emergency service officers and departments to enhance the safety, health, and wellness of fire and emergency personnel across the state. To support this mission, the committee will:

- Collaborate and provide subject matter expertise to other committees, groups, and individuals within the OFCA. Coordinate activities with the IAFC, NFFF, and other safety, health, and wellness organizations in the fire service. Investigate and integrate information from OSHA, NIOSH, and other external health and safety organizations.
- Publish documentation that provides safety, health, and wellness information to help fire officers deliver training and programs aimed at enhancing the safety of fire and EMS workers in Ohio.
- Regularly assess and engage with relevant national standards.

# 12. Scholarship Committee (OF&ESF): Chair – Chief Christopher Lyons

The Scholarship Committee (OF&ESF) will include members determined necessary by the Board. The committee is tasked with fairly evaluating scholarship applicants and distributing funds equitably. Scholarships will be granted based on the guidelines set forth within each scholarship fund.

#### 13. Volunteer Committee: Chair - Chief Ed Koziol

The Volunteer Committee will stay informed about all issues affecting the volunteer fire service. If necessary, this information should be communicated to the appropriate officer or committee for further action.

# 14. Water Delivery TAC: Chair(s) – Assistant Chief Jim Delman and Firefighter Ed Collet

The mission of the Water Delivery TAC is to assist, educate, and develop standardized tender shuttle and relay operations using NIMS protocols. It includes recommendations and training for alternative water sources, efficient tenders or tankers, draft source units, and appliances for rapid water delivery in both rural and urban environments. This mission aims to supplement any pressurized water systems that are unable to provide the necessary fire flow during a fire or emergency.

# 15. DEI Task Force\*: Chair - Chief Gina DeVito-Staub

This task force is responsible for developing strategies to enhance the recruitment, retention, promotion, and professional development of diverse talent within Ohio's fire service. Diversity and inclusion are more than just buzzwords for us; they represent the values that guide us in building our teams, nurturing leaders, and establishing departments that suit every individual. Our communities are broad and culturally diverse— we aim to reflect that within our walls.

#### 16. Women in the Fire Service Committee\*: Chair - Vacant

This committee will serve as a valuable resource for information, guidance, mentorship, and support for women firefighters. It will also develop model guidelines addressing gender issues, organizational standards, and other relevant policy areas related to the OFCA and its members.

\* Note: Pending a constitutional change, these two groups may be combined into a new "Inclusion Committee."