



City of Sterling Heights Fire Department Civilian Fire Academy Information

The Sterling Heights Fire Department is looking for candidates to take part in the Civilian Fire Academy. This is an opportunity for residents to get an inside look at the operation of the Sterling Heights Fire Department and get a taste of what it is like to be a Firefighter/Paramedic. Due to the hands-on nature of the program, the class size is limited, and applications must be submitted for consideration.

The program will run for four weeks on Wednesday evenings from 6 to 9 p.m. beginning **October 1st, 2025**. In addition, participants can schedule an 8-hour (or less) ride along with one of the five fire stations after graduation.

This program will have some components that will be physically demanding, yet safety of the participants will be a primary focus. It is important that interested candidates keep this in mind. Some activities participants will take part in but not limited to:

- Vehicle Extrication
- Technical Rescue
- Fire Attack
- Fire Extinguishers
- Fire Department Operations
- CPR Certification

Participants must be at least 18 years of age at the beginning of the academy and residents of the City of Sterling Heights. **Application deadline is September 19th, 2025**

Accepted applicants will be notified by the Fire Department by **September 22nd, 2025**.

If you have any questions, please email civilianfireacademy@sterlingheights.gov or call Fire Administration at 586-446-2950 ext. 2959