



# Scholarship Opportunity



## Would you like to attend the Eastern Division IAFC 2018 Annual Conference?

The Eastern Division of the International Association of Fire Chiefs (EDIAFC) will be holding their 2018 Annual Conference April 20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> at the Embassy Suites BWI in Baltimore, Maryland. The Maryland Fire Chiefs Association (MFCA) Training Committee, with funds from the SAFER Grant, is sponsoring 75 scholarship opportunities for Maryland Fire Service Personnel to attend the conference. The scholarship will reimburse scholarship recipients a maximum \$675 for the conference registration (\$150), three nights of hotel expenses (GSA rate of \$106/night) and three days of per diem (\$69/day). You must be traveling from 50 miles or further away in order to be reimbursed for hotel and per diem.

The leadership training available at the EDIAFC Annual Conference will help members address the unique needs of volunteer leadership in their department. The networking opportunities give them the chance to share ideas and solutions with colleagues from other states within the Eastern Division's Region. The conference allows participants to interact face-to-face with leaders of rural and suburban combination departments. This year's conference will offer two different learning tracks for attendees to participate in – Safety & Health and Leadership & Accountability.

Scholarship recipients will be required to submit all of their receipts at the conclusion of the conference for reimbursement up to the eligible amount. In addition, as part of the reimbursement process, attendees will be required to provide the MFCA Training Committee with a one page synopsis of what they learned at the conference and how they will share such information with their department and/or jurisdiction.

The MFCA Training Committee would like to encourage everyone to apply for this scholarship opportunity. Scholarships may only be awarded to individuals who are volunteers in good-standing with a Maryland volunteer fire, EMS and/or rescue company. If you are interested in applying for a scholarship to attend the EDIAFC 2018 Annual Conference, please complete the attached Scholarship Application and email it to [training@mdchief.org](mailto:training@mdchief.org). **All completed and signed scholarship applications must be received by the MFCA Training Committee by no later than 5:00 PM on Friday, March 16, 2018.**

Please refer any questions involving this scholarship opportunity to Paul E. Sullivan, Jr. at [psullivan@mdchief.org](mailto:psullivan@mdchief.org) or Theresa Collins at [mfca127@gmail.com](mailto:mfca127@gmail.com).



**Maryland Fire Chiefs Association  
Training/Conference Scholarship Request**



Scholarship Applicant Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Current Member of the Maryland Fire Chiefs Association:  Yes  No

Department Membership: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Chief Officer: \_\_\_\_\_

Endorsement of Chief Officer (must be signed): \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Training/Conference Program: EDIAFC Annual Conference 2018 - Embassy Suites BWI

Dates of Training: April 20 & 21, 2018

Estimated costs:

Travel: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Lodging: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Registration: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Transportation: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Per Diem: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Other: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total estimated cost: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

*No costs should be incurred by the individual until a determination of eligibility is made by the MFCA SAFER Oversight Committee. Any costs incurred prior to a decision by the Committee shall be at the member's own expense.*

Applicant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Committee Use Only

Committee Recommendation: Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Disapproved \_\_\_\_\_

Oversight Committee Decision: Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Disapproved \_\_\_\_\_

By: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_