

Kentucky Firefighters Association

SMOKE SIGNALS II

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FIRE COMMISSION MOVING New home in Paris!!

PARIS, KY - You will longer travel to Lexington to visit the Fire Commission. An announcement made October 21, 2020 stated they are moving to Bourbon County.

The announcement also stated the move was in the best interest of the Fire Commission to get away from leasing property and having properties they could call their own. They were at capacity in the Lexington location and parking was an issue.

The CPAT program will close the Winchester location and testing will soon be based at the new facility in Paris. Moving will take place at the end of October with the new facility opening for business on November 2, 2020. A formal opening will take place later after Covid-19 slows down.

BELOW: The new location for the Kentucky Fire Commission located at 110 Cleveland Drive in Paris, Kentucky. Opening day will be November 2, 2020.





KFA FALL MEETING to be held in Grayson!!

GRAYSON, KY - This year's KFA Fall E-Board meeting will be hosted by the Grayson Fire Department. The meeting will start at 10:00 a.m. on November 7, 2020.

The meeting will be streamed live via the KFA Facebook page. The KFA Executive Board and executive director will be in person. A zoom link will be sent out the week of the meeting for all members to join.

If you must attend in person to speak with the board, please obtain prior approval from President Beatsch. The fire department will have a location for guest to stay until called on according to the agenda.

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President John Beatsch

Hello From Southgate! It's hard to believe it's the first week of November. As we all know things are still not back to normal due to Covid-19. Hopefully each of you are staying safe and your fire departments are still taking all precautions possible to keep your members protected.

I want to congratulate the fire commission on their new facility in Paris, Kentucky. We look forward to our continued partnership and can't wait to visit and tour the facility after Covid-19 slows down.

There's not much to report on at this time, please join us for the next KFA meeting on November 7, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. Eastern time via zoom. The next edition of Smoke Signals II will be in January, so I would like to end with wishing you and your families a Happy Thanksgiving, Merry Christmas, and Happy New Year.

Be Safe

Tohn Beatsch

KFA President



Plano Fire Department Receives



Community Disaster Grant!!

WARREN COUNTY, KY - The Plano Fire Department is pleased to announce a grant they received to build a safe room to be located at the main fire station on Plano Road.

This 1500 sq. foot safe room will be accessible to the community in the event of severe storms with high wind and tornadoes. The safe room will shelter up to 300 people.

The safe room will be tied to the Community Outdoor Warning System (COWS) and automatically unlock in the event of severe weather so anyone wishing to utilize it can enter the safe room.

This grant is funded with Hazard Mitigation Funds through Kentucky Emergency Management, (FEMA) Federal Emergency Management Agency, and a local match. Construction will begin in a few months.





The Kentucky Brotherhood Ride was completed in late September 2020. 21 riders comprised of firefighters, police officers, EMS, flight crews and support personnel traveled 130+ miles from Brandenburg to Lexington. They climbed over 6000' in elevation.



There are 6 Brotherhood Rides in the United States that honor the fallen in their respective states. Kentucky was the 5th state to initiate a Brotherhood Ride. In 2021 they plan on riding across the entire state over a 4 day span. They will be announcing details in a few months.



Organizers from Kentucky Brotherhood will be reaching out for assistance from fire departments across the Commonwealth to help plan a logistical stop or assistance with overnight accommodations in your town.



2020 NEEDS ASSESSMENT KEY POINTS, MESSAGING AND IDEAS

The 2020 U.S. Needs Assessment survey is now available. It works to capture the level of resources and staffing among U.S. fire departments, and to identify where there may be gaps in resources. If your department hasn't done so yet, please fill it out!

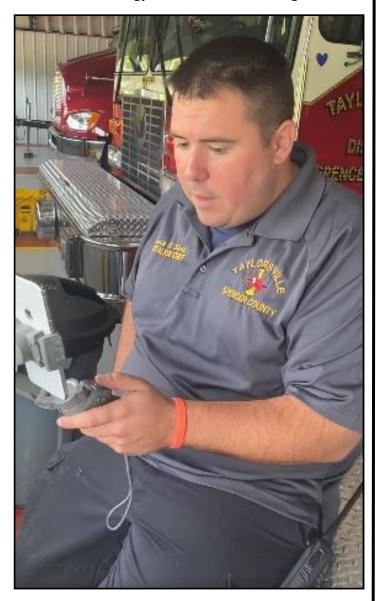
Some Key Points:

- The 2020 Needs Assessment Survey is open and available to U.S. fire departments through January 1, 2021.
- All departments are strongly encouraged to respond to the survey. To date, NFPA has received more than 1,000 responses – an early and strong response indicative of the importance of the Needs Assessment.
- The Needs Assessment looks at what fire departments are being asked to do, and if they have the resources necessary to carry out those tasks.
- Questions on PPE, apparatus and equipment, training, health and wellness, and cancer prevention are included to address what we know are critical, timely issues facing the fire service.
- This survey provides a powerful opportunity for all departments to inform policymakers at the local, state, and national level on where support and resources are needed most.

For information about the Needs Assessment visit www.nfpa.org/needsassessment

TECHNOLOGY AND FPW 2020

TAYLORSVILLE, KY - A true sign of the times! As fire departments around the country struggled to find ways to deliver a very important message, one Kentucky fire department used what is now a common technology to deliver their message.



As COVID-19 created a challenge with normal fire prevention week delivery, Battalion Chief Jamie Scott with the Taylorsville-Spencer County Fire Protection District used a new household technology, "ZOOM" to deliver his fire prevention message to Ms. Sweazy's class.

Be Creative!!

FIRE PREVENTION IN EVERY COMMUNITY!



BERNSTADT, KY - The Crossroads Volunteer Fire Department had the privilege of visiting the Victory Amish School to conduct fire prevention activities and interact with students.



Firefighters answered questions from students regarding fire department apparatus, personal protective equipment, and other responsibilities for firefighters.



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National Volunteer Fire Council - In response to the worldwide outbreak of COVID-19 the National Volunteer Fire Council has established a webpage to provide links to information and resources from various federal agencies and other sources that are relevant to emergency responders.

The NVFC will update this page periodically as they become aware of new resources and information related to EMS or other emergency responders.

https://www.nvfc.org/coronavirus-19-information-and-resources-for-ems/

Congratulations to the 2020 KAFC (KLC) Career Chief of the Year

The Kentucky Association of Fire Chiefs are proud to announce that Chief Nathan Mulvey, Fern Creek Fire Department has been selected as the KLC 2020 Chief of the year.



Just one of the quotes from his nomination form. "Chief Mulvey accepted the challenge of being a Chief and has surpassed all expectations of what a great leader is, while remaining as humble today as he was when he first started in the fire service.

Not only has Chief Mulvey demonstrated his superior leadership abilities and community involvement, he is and will continue to be a great ambassador for the fire service for many years to come." Congratulations Chief!!

Lexington Chief Chilton retiring in January

LEXINGTON, KY - Lexington Fire Chief Kristin Chilton, one of a handful of women who became chief of a career fire department in the U.S., plans to retire in January.



"Through vision and experience, Kristin Chilton has continued, and built upon, the tradition of excellence in one of the best fire departments in the country," Mayor Linda Gorton said. "We will miss her."

In the letter announcing her retirement, Chilton told Mayor Linda Gorton, "You, the City Council, and the residents of Lexington and Fayette County were dedicated to providing every tool necessary for our department to succeed and grow, even during difficult times, and we made every effort to prove that your trust was well placed." WTVQ-TV ABC 36







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STATE APPROVED VERSION!!



The Kentucky Firefighters Association Executive Board approved a new firefighter license plate design at their last meeting. Due to the current license plate design not meeting the standards set forth by the Association American of Motor Vehicle Administrators (AAMVA), Kentucky the Transportation Cabinet advised the KFA Executive Board changes needed to be made. The Kentucky Transportation Cabinet also advised they are transitioning from the embossed license plate method to a flat plate so they are currently reviewing all plate designs.

The current license plate did not meet the current standards of AAMVA due to the background image interfering with the plate numbers/letters. Another change given to us by the AAMVA is the font of "Kentucky" at the top of the plate will need to be more easily read, as in block letters. The full list of standards can be found at https://www.aamva.org/licenseplatestandards 2016.





CPAT Testing Schedule

If you are interested in testing please contact
Rick Larkins, CPAT Director

email: rick.larkins@kctcs.edu

We have two fixed testing sites one in Louisville, KY and the other in Winchester KY.

<u>Testing Dates For 2021</u> COMING SOON!!

EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES



<u>Date</u>	<u>Area</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Phone</u>
Nov 14/15 Nov 21/22	14	Somerset NRPC	888-280-0189
Dec 5/6		Jessamine C	Co 888-234-3961

Test sessions held prior to July 1, 2019, will be in accordance with NFPA 1001 (2013 Edition) and NFPA 472 (2013 Edition).

Testing within the Kentucky Accredited Certification Program

All Kentucky firefighter certifications that carry IFSAC accredited credentials, require the candidate to complete both a written examination and a skill competency evaluation. The written portion of the process is usually arranged by the lead instructor of class-based certification, such as Level 1 Fire Instructor. Written exams are also available through the offices of State Fire Rescue Training, by contacting the Area Coordinator of the office nearest you. You can locate that information on our website www.kyfa.org

Additionally, you may check with your area offices for monthly test dates for written exams. Written exams require 70% to achieve a passing grade. Exams are mostly multiple choice questions, with a few True/False and Matching questions. Exams carry a completion time limit.

Skills testing for FF 1 and 2 is a random sampling of all possible skills in each certification level. There are multiple skill possibilities at each station, however the candidate will only be required to perform 1 skill at each station. 2015 policy changes in the Kentucky process require **ten** (10) skill stations to be completed by the candidate for FF1 with 100% competency. FF2 testing will consist of six (6) skill stations with a required 100% competency. Hazardous Materials Operations PPE and Product Control (NFPA 472:2013 Chapters 5, 6.2 and 6.6) are required pre-requisites for firefighter certification. Four (4) Haz Mat skill stations will be offered on the same test day as FF2 for the benefit of those needing the required certification.

Candidates are now required to test FF2 skills with Haz Mat. Candidates needing ONLY Haz Mat Operations must test following an organized course of the subject matter OR a scheduled skills test session that consists of ALL Haz Mat Operations (NFPA 472:2013 Chap 5) Ops Product Control (NFPA 472:2013 Chap 6.6) and Haz Mat PPE (NFPA 472:2013 Chap 6.2)

Testing requires the use of PPE, therefore candidates for testing are required to bring full PPE and SCBA. Each test day will expose the candidate to potential IDLH atmospheres with live-fire scenarios, therefore all candidates MUST be clean shaven to the point that facial hair does NOT come between the face piece seal and the face.

Candidates may no longer bring a copy of Kentucky FF1, FF2 and Haz Mat Operations skill sheets and/or a copy of the IFSTA Essentials of Firefighting to the testing site. Testing DOES NOT break for lunch, light snacks will be made available.

Due to current NFPA requirements for certification, candidates shall show competency in medical training. Candidates shall bring a copy of a current CPR-Pro card and current first aid, first responder, EMT or Paramedic certification. Failure to show proof of medical training does not prohibit the candidate from testing, just certifying.

Visit Kentucky Accredited Firefighter Program:

@ http://kyffcert.com/



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