

5 Year Plan – Becoming a Firefighter

4 important parts to the five year plan

1. Employment
2. Education
3. Volunteer
4. Physical Fitness

- These are the 4 most important elements to becoming a qualified sellable candidate at the interview table.
- This is a plan for the next 5 years. Some may be in their 3rd year based on age and life experience while others will be longer.
- It's important to plan ahead and keep focused on your goal.
- Interviewers and Fire Chiefs agree that candidates are required to keep skills up and continue to develop them after college or your NFPA 1001 firefighter 1&2 course.
- If you have done nothing that pertains to the skills of firefighter for years it becomes a tough sell at the interview table.

Complete the attached plan.

This plan can be continuously changing based on your time and other factors that occurring in any given period.

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Year 1 – Accomplishments

Employment: list part-time or full-time jobs you would like and would have transferable skills into the fire service

Job/Company Name	Contact Info	Hired

Education: List courses, programs and any certifications which will help in building or refreshing your skills

Corse/Program Name	Company /Location	Enrolled

Volunteer work: List organizations or community programs that you are passionate about- They should be a long term commitment

Organization	Company /Location	Hired

Physical Fitness: List areas of physical fitness that you enjoy/ currently involved in or new challenges you want to take on

Challenge/Sport/Fitness	Time Commitment	Enrolled

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Year 2 – Accomplishments

Employment: list part-time or full-time jobs you would like and would have transferable skills into the fire service

Job/Company Name	Contact Info	Hired

Education: List courses, programs and any certifications which will help in building or refreshing your skills

Corse/Program Name	Company /Location	Enrolled

Volunteer work: List organizations or community programs that you are passionate about-They should be a long term commitment

Organization	Company /Location	Hired

Physical Fitness: List areas of physical fitness that you enjoy/ currently involved in or new challenges you want to take on

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Year 3 – Accomplishments

Employment: list part-time or full-time jobs you would like and would have transferable skills into the fire service

Job/Company Name	Contact Info	Hired

Education: List courses, programs and any certifications which will help in building or refreshing your skills

Corse/Program Name	Company /Location	Enrolled

Volunteer work: List organizations or community programs that you are passionate about-They should be a long term commitment

Organization	Company /Location	Hired

Physical Fitness: List areas of physical fitness that you enjoy/ currently involved in or new challenges you want to take on

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Year 4 – Accomplishments

Employment: list part-time or full-time jobs you would like and would have transferable skills into the fire service

Job/Company Name	Contact Info	Hired

Education: List courses, programs and any certifications which will help in building or refreshing your skills

Corse/Program Name	Company /Location	Enrolled

Volunteer work: List organizations or community programs that you are passionate about-They should be a long term commitment

Organization	Company /Location	Hired

Physical Fitness: List areas of physical fitness that you enjoy/ currently involved in or new challenges you want to take on

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Year 5 – Accomplishments

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Job/Company Name	Contact Info	Hired

Education: List courses, programs and any certifications which will help in building or refreshing your skills

Corse/Program Name	Company /Location	Enrolled

Volunteer work: List organizations or community programs that you are passionate about-They should be a long term commitment

Organization	Company /Location	Hired

Physical Fitness: List areas of physical fitness that you enjoy/ currently involved in or new challenges you want to take on

Challenge/Sport/Fitness	Time Commitment	Enrolled