

WHAT CAN THE OFCF DO FOR YOUR ORGANIZATION ?

Are you a non-governmental fire service organization that does not have 501(c)3 status, but would like to accept tax exempt donations?

OFCF provides donation management services and helps ensure compliance with law and full transparency of the use of donated funds. OFCF's tax-exempt status provides non-governmental fire service organizations a secure place to receive and manage their funds.

OFCF completes all administration and accounting of funds, including:

- receiving and managing gross receipts (primarily donations)
- making disbursements (no more than four times per year)
- maintaining records of donors and donations along with disbursements made to the Investment Partner
- reporting the activities associated with the funds for tax and other regulatory purposes

Accounts are reviewed by the Foundation at regularly scheduled board meetings and Investment Partners are provided a quarterly report of their funds.

HOW DOES IT WORK ?

\$2000 in donations or fundraising (for example)



Deposit with OFCF



Funds are tax exempt



Relax while your funds gain interest and are securely managed

WHO CAN PARTICIPATE ?

Non-government fire organizations have the opportunity to become an Investment Partner with the OFCF and place their charitable funds in an interest bearing account. Investment Partners may use this non-profit status to accept tax deductible contributions. OFCF charges an administrative fee of ten percent (10%) of gross earnings on funds invested.

If your organization is interested in becoming an Investment Partner, and would like to hear more about the Foundation, or discuss partnerships, call to arrange to have an OFCF representative meet with your group.

Call 888-846-5741 or email at ofca@ofca.org. The OFCF Investment Agreement is located on the OFCA website www.ofca.org and click on the Oregon Fire Chiefs Foundation.

Tax exempt donations MUST be deposited directly into the Oregon Fire Chiefs Foundation (OFCF) account in order to be tax-exempt to the donor (U.S. Federal Tax ID 48-1287863). Checks must be made out to the Foundation. (Example: Pretend Volunteer Association Foundation or Oregon Fire Chiefs Foundation)

Deposits can be made directly by the partner association into the Foundation's bank account. Deposit slips can be provided.

The OFCF does make disbursements for the partner agencies. However, an OFCF partner may need a revolving account for their day-to-day activities. They may not use the Foundation's non-profit EIN to establish a revolving account. To obtain an EIN number - [http://www.irs.gov/Businesses/Small-Businesses-&Self-Employed/Apply-for-an-Employer-Identification-Number-\(EIN\)-Online](http://www.irs.gov/Businesses/Small-Businesses-&Self-Employed/Apply-for-an-Employer-Identification-Number-(EIN)-Online) Form: <http://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/fss4.pdf>

WHO ARE WE ?

The Oregon Fire Chiefs Foundation is a 501(c)3 organization directed by a board of recognized fire service and financial leaders. Our Mission includes providing Investment Partners, who may not have their non-profit status, the opportunity to accept tax deductible contributions and to assist with management of their funds. The information in this brochure outlines this service.

OFCF was also created to support the future of Oregon's fire service by providing assistance to the next generation of fire service leadership. This is done by helping fund training that is outside the financial ability of local fire agencies. By helping the chiefs of tomorrow get training and access to information today, the Foundation extends the proud legacy of service, innovation, and leadership that have been hallmarks of Oregon's fire service.

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**We are your Oregon
Fire Chiefs Foundation.**

**Together
we can make a
difference.**

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**OREGON FIRE SERVICE PEOPLE
HELPING THE
OREGON FIRE SERVICE**

DONATION MANAGEMENT SERVICES



The Oregon Fire Chiefs Foundation (OFCF) is here to assist fire and emergency services leadership and partner organizations deliver quality services to their communities through the effective generation and management of donations.

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