

**Assistant Chief – Fire Marshal
Orange County Fire Authority**

Irvine, California

The Orange County Fire Authority is seeking a forward leaning, energetic professional to serve as its next Assistant Chief – Fire Marshal and lead its highly acclaimed "Community Risk Reduction Department". After a stellar career, the current Assistant Chief – Fire Marshal has chosen to retire in March 2025. This vital, at-will executive position will be filled with either a sworn or non-sworn, highly experienced professional. The Community Risk Reduction Department is comprised of 75 dedicated women and men who, on a daily basis, contribute to community safety and prosperity through the systematic mitigation of risks. Members identify and analyze risks to determine the cause and targets for program development. The Department is comprised of three sections: Planning and Development Services, Prevention Field Services, and Wildland Pre-Fire Management.

Reporting to the Deputy Chief, the Assistant Chief – Fire Marshal is responsible for planning, organizing, and directing the activities, operations, and staff of the Community Risk Reduction Department. The Fire Marshal is responsible for the proper administration of the department budget that totaled \$14million dollars for F/Y 2024. This is a 4/10 work week and the Assistant Chief – Fire Marshal is a non-emergency responding position.

A Bachelor's Degree in Public Administration, Business Administration, or a related field and eight or more years of progressively responsible divisional or departmental management experience, including education and experience relevant to the unique Assistant Chief position being filled. Up to four years of job-related experience can be substituted for up to two years of the education requirement for this position; or, an equivalent combination of education and experience sufficient to successfully perform the essential duties of the job such as those listed above. A Masters Degree in Public Administration, Business Administration, or a related field and/or a Technical Certification or coursework in hazardous materials management, code enforcement, and fire investigation practices, or similar level of education, training, and certification are desirable

The salary range for the Assistant Chief – Fire Marshal is \$286,644.80 - \$308,152.00 annually DOQE. All regular OCFA employees are members of the Orange County Employees Retirement System (OCERS) - a defined benefit retirement program. Additionally, OCFA offers a comprehensive benefits package including annual leave, holidays and sick leave, health insurance, dental plan, life insurance, and long-term disability insurance. For more information, click [here](#).

Candidates are encouraged to apply by **January 20, 2025**. The review of resumes by Ralph Andersen & Associates will begin following the closing date. Electronic submittals are strongly preferred to apply@ralphandersen.com and should include a compelling cover letter and comprehensive resume. Confidential inquiries welcomed to Mr. P. Lamont Ewell at (916) 630-4900.