



# DELAWARE CITY

## VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY NO. 1

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### 2018 FIRE FUND DRIVE

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Dear Neighbors:

This is our fund drive for the year 2018. We have combined our ambulance and fire fund drive in to one annual donation for the future. If you were a member of our Ambulance Club in the past you will not have that option anymore but the service to you will remain the same. We take pride in providing you and your family with the most important services you may need to use for EMS, Rescue and Fire as we have been for the last 130 years.

We work tirelessly to raise funds each year with hall rentals, raffles, dining out for dollars and other fund raisers such as our Shrimp Feasts and Bingos. Even with renting our hall almost every weekend we still need further help. This is where you come in. We need your monetary donations and we are always looking for more volunteers to increase our membership. We have members that are involved in many different aspects of our business. We accept members from 14 years of age in to our Cadet programs. You have the option to be active within the EMS or Fire service or involved in the administrative section of our operations. We also have a very active Ladies Auxiliary which accepts men and women in their ranks. There are some incentives to join which include a tax break for our active members as well as the State of Delaware pension plan. There are scholarships for our students to receive through the Delaware Volunteer Firefighter's Association and other avenues. We have developed partnerships with many of our community programs such as the town of Delaware City, the Lion's Club, the Masonic Lodge, the PAL Center and our schools. We are much more than just a fire company we are a family. We are quite diverse having members from many walks of life including nurses, mechanics, business persons, dispatchers, teachers and all we need now is you! Our membership is of various ages, racial backgrounds, many different religions and yet we all work together for the betterment of our community.

Did you know we are made up of mostly volunteers? Unfortunately, volunteers are not as prevalent as they were in the past. This is forcing us to hire full time career staff 24 hours per day / 7 days per week. Here at Delaware City, we have six full time employees and a host of part-time employees to meet the demands for service. As our volunteer base continues to decline, and our call volume continues to increase, additional funding will be needed to hire even more career staffing. An overwhelming majority of our annual operating budget is dedicated to paying for salary and benefits of our full time employees. We are fiscally responsible, and transparent with our spending, so the public is confident in knowing their donations are put to good use in a manner that is most beneficial to the public. We appreciate any support that you may be able to provide.

We are so thankful for all the support that you can give to our organization. Remember your donation is tax deductible and will be used to continue our services to you, our community. You can visit our website at [www.dcf15.com](http://www.dcf15.com) to make a secure online donation; you can mail a check with the donation slip below or you can donate directly through PayPal at [DCFCPayPal@DCF15.com](mailto:DCFCPayPal@DCF15.com). Thank you for your support whether it is monetary, offering to volunteer with us or a donation to any of our advertised drives (food bank, pet food drive, or other activities).

Sincerely,

The Officers and Members of the Delaware City Volunteer Fire Company, No. 1, Inc.

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