

# Granite City Puts Out Call for Firefighters and Police Officers

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**GRANITE CITY** - The City of Granite City is looking for firefighters and police officers to join their ranks this spring.

With competitive benefits and starting salaries over \$50,000, both the Fire Department and the Police Department hope to bring in several applicants. Like a lot of communities, the City noted that they are facing staffing shortages and so they are eager to grow their teams.

“Join the Granite City family and join our police or fire department! Make a difference in your community!” the City said in a press release. “Despite the nationwide decline in applications, now is the time to step up and serve. As a member of our team, you'll have the opportunity to positively impact lives, uphold justice, and ensure the safety of our city.”

Applications must be submitted by 4 p.m. on Friday, March 22, 2024. Both jobs offer education incentives, family medical coverage, a pension and 11 paid holidays. You will receive comprehensive training within a supportive work environment.

**To apply to the [Police Department](#)**, you must have an associate's degree or 64 hours in an accredited college or institution. You must be at least 21 and you will be required to pass a physical fitness test, a written test, a character background check, a polygraph test, and a psychological and medical exam.

After one year of probation on the police force, the salary increases to over \$74,000 and will continue to rise over time. Special assignment opportunities are also available. For more information about applying to the Police Department, call 618-971-6743.

**To apply to the [Fire Department](#)**, you must have a high school diploma or equivalent. You must be at least 21 and you need to possess a current EMT certification as well as a Power Test Card or a CPAT card at the time of the job offer.

There are different pay ranges for paramedics and EMTs, but both increase after one year. For more information about applying to the Fire Department, call Commissioner Chairman Larry Gavilsky at 618-971-6743 or Bonnie Dickerson at 618-877-6114.

Both jobs require applicants to live in Madison County or in a county that borders Madison County, including those in Missouri. For more information about each job and how to apply, click [here](#).

“Apply today to take the first step towards a rewarding career in law enforcement and fire service,” the City said. “Granite City needs dedicated individuals like you to help keep our community safe and secure for all.”



# NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR POLICE OFFICER

**\* RESIDENCY ALLOWED ANYWHERE IN MADISON COUNTY, IL, AND ADJOINING  
COUNTIES INCLUDING MISSOURI COUNTIES**

**SPECIAL ASSIGNMENT  
OPPORTUNITIES  
INCLUDING BUT NOT  
LIMITED TO:**

- ✓ INVESTIGATIONS
- ✓ SWAT
- ✓ NAT TEAM
- ✓ DRUG UNIT
- ✓ SRO
- ✓ DEA
- ✓ CRIME FREE  
HOUSING
- ✓ MAJOR CASE  
SQUAD
- ✓ ILEAS



**LOOKING FOR A FEW GOOD MEN  
AND WOMEN TO JOIN OUR TEAM!**

**FOR QUESTIONS ABOUT BECOMING  
A GRANITE CITY POLICE OFFICER,  
YOU CAN CALL (618) 971-6743**

**APPLICATIONS CAN BE PICKED UP IN  
PERSON AT THE GRANITE CITY  
POLICE DEPARTMENT  
2330 MADISON AVE.**

**FEBRUARY 26, 2024 – MARCH 22, 2024  
MONDAY - FRIDAY 8:30 AM – 4:00 PM**

**ORIENTATION WEDNESDAY MARCH 27,  
2024 6:00 PM AT CITY HALL**

**STARTING PAY \$53,276**

**AFTER 1 YEAR  
PROBATION \$74,319**

**100% PAID FAMILY  
HEALTH**

**11 PAID HOLIDAYS**

**PAID VACATION AND SICK  
LEAVE**

**LONGEVITY PAY  
INCREASES**

**OVERTIME  
OPPORTUNITIES**

**ANNUAL UNIFORM &  
EQUIPMENT ALLOWANCE.**

**COLLEGE INCENTIVE,  
COMPENSATION FOR  
ADVANCED DEGREE**

## **Applicants Must:**

- 1. Have an Associate's Degree or 64 hours in an accredited college or institution.**
- 2. Must be at least 21 years of age.**
- 3. Must pass physical a fitness test (P.O.W.E.R Test) and a written test.**
- 4. Pass character background check, polygraph, psychological and medical exam.**

**\*City of Granite City is an equal opportunity employer\***



# TESTING FOR FIRE DEPARTMENT HIRING

THE GRANITE CITY FIRE & POLICE COMMISSION IS  
NOW SEEKING APPLICANTS FOR IT'S  
FIREFIGHTER ELIGIBILITY LIST



## GRANITE CITY FIRE DEPARTMENT OFFERS

- EMT starting \$54,712.29/annual
- EMT after 1 year \$63,941.67/annual
- Paramedic starting \$55,774.67
- Paramedic after 1 year \$65,136.85
- Paramedic after probation \$72,374.27
- Education incentives
- Full family medical coverage
- Pension
- 11 Paid Holidays

## QUALIFICATIONS TO APPLY

- High School Graduate or equivalency
- Be at least 21 years of age
- Possess a current EMT certification  
\* at time of job offer.
- Possess either an Illinois Power Test Card  
<https://www.swic.edu/?s=power+test> or a CPAT card  
<https://centralillinoisfirechiefs.com/CPAT/CPAT.aspx> \* at time of job offer.

## IMPORTANT DATES:

- Monday February 26, 2024, Applications can be picked up at the Granite City Fire Dept. Monday through Friday 8 am – 4 pm
- Friday March 22, 2024, at 4:00 pm, deadline to turn in applications
- Wednesday March 27, 2024, **MANDATORY** Orientation is 6:00 pm at City Hall, 2000 Edison Ave, Granite City, IL.
- Saturday March 30, 2024 at 8:00 am, written test administered at Southwestern Illinois College (SWIC), Granite City Campus, 4950 Maryville Rd. Granite City, IL.
- Oral interview dates to be announced for applicants who pass the written test.
- For More Information Visit:  
➤ [https://www.granitecity.illinois.gov/city\\_employment.php](https://www.granitecity.illinois.gov/city_employment.php)
- For questions contact Commissioner Chairman Larry Gavilsky at (618) 971-6743 or Bonnie Dickerson at (618) 877-6114

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