

ESSEX COUNTY JOB OPPORTUNITY

Job Title: Chief of Emergency Services

Essex County Virginia is seeking a full time highly motivated individual responsible for the overall administration and operation of Essex County Emergency Services. The Chief reports to the County Administrator. This is a full-time position with a comprehensive benefits package. The salary is commensurate with qualifications and experience. This position is primarily administrative and executive in nature.

Essex County is located in Virginia's Middle Peninsula and is full of pastoral charm. It is an idyllic location to settle down in a relaxing rural environment, but with easy access to the vibrant cities of Richmond, Williamsburg, and Fredericksburg all of which are located within a scenic one-hour drive. Essex County, located adjacent to the Rappahannock River, boasts a plethora of activities centered on the water. The county is a rural community with a population of 21,000 and covers 257 square miles.

The Ideal Candidate:

- An experienced, innovative, collaborative public safety leader with demonstrated managerial, interpersonal and customer service skills.
- A strong communicator with all facets of a modern public safety provider.
- An individual committed to the process of continuous improvement through study, data analysis, risk taking, risk reduction and follow through.
- A commitment to the organization with a genuine confidence and approachability to residents, business and governmental leaders featuring strong communication skills.
- A Chief that is an integral and engaged leader, with a strong background in modern fire, EMS, emergency management and all hazards practices.
- The ability to mentor and foster leadership roles within the staff, succession planning and a global vision of the community's needs and vision are critical. Creativity and the ability to guide and balance change is a must.
- Strong budget skills supported by conservative fiscal management.

Interested candidates should submit cover letter and resume to Michael Lombardo, Essex County Administrator, at mlombardo@essex-virginia.org. Applications will be reviewed as received and job will remain posted until filled. Essex County is an equal opportunity provider.