

**Thank you for your support. We need your help.**

***Important Message to the Taxpayers of the Western Coventry Fire District***

On behalf of the Board of Directors and members of the Western Coventry Fire District, thank you for your support at this year's Annual meeting held this past April. The support of the Taxpayers has allowed the department to attract and add necessary personnel and equipment to ensure we continue to deliver critical services to our community.

*In order to maintain Western Coventry Fire District as an independent organization we need your support and input.*

We continue to participate in discussions regarding the future of the fire district structure in Coventry. An outside consulting company was hired by the Town to review and conduct an assessment of all the fire district organizations. The Western Coventry Board of Directors, along with leadership from all the fire districts, have also been meeting to discuss the current state. While discussions are expected to continue, we assure you that if there were any decisions regarding consolidation or changes to the Western Fire District structure would only move forward with the approval and input from the tax payers of the district.

We also continue to demonstrate sound financial management in order to bring excellent response services to the community. Since our annual meeting, the District has received \$130,800 in APRA funds, and sold an older tanker for \$25,000. These funds were added to the apparatus fund and will help with the purchase of a new Rescue vehicle.

At present, we are in need of taxpayers who are interested in joining the Board. We have one Board seat vacant. We still have Board members who have served several consecutive terms and expressed an interest in stepping down. This is a voluntary position that requires attendance at monthly Board meetings and participating in discussions as needs arise. No fire or EMS experience is required; simply an interest in providing input based on personal or business experience to assist the local community. Any resident who has an interest in sharing their experience and time should contact the District Moderator, Skip Mays at [WCFDModerator@outlook.com](mailto:WCFDModerator@outlook.com)

In addition, local residents who may be interested in becoming operational members of the Fire Department (full time or part-time/per diem) should contact Chief Cady or Captain Bob Mann at the Summit Station. Firefighter and EMS training is available. [www.WCFD.net](http://www.WCFD.net)

**Your voice is critical. Please get involved to help us manage and direct the Fire District in the manner that you want us to.**

Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

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