

## **COWETA COUNTY, GEORGIA FIRE CHIEF**

**Coweta County, Georgia** (135,571), a well preserved and one of the largest and fastest growing counties in the state, is seeking highly qualified candidates for the position of Fire Chief.

The Coweta County Fire Chief, appointed by and under the direction of the County Administrator, is responsible for the management and supervision of department personnel, operations, and resources as established by the governing authority. The Chief provides professional, executive level leadership and provides directives regarding policies, programs, and objectives of the department. The Coweta County Fire Department consists of 173 full-time and 81 part-time staff members who operate sixteen (16) fire stations throughout the County's 440 square mile service area. The Department operates with a Fiscal Year 2016 Fire Fund approved budget of \$15 million.

Minimum requirements for the position include any combination of education and experience equivalent to a bachelor's degree in public administration, fire sciences, emergency management, emergency medical services or related field from an accredited university. Additionally, an extensive amount of fire and emergency medical service leadership and management experience, with a minimum of five (5) years as a Chief, Division, Assistant or Deputy Chief in a comparably sized or larger department is required. Successful candidates will have demonstrated a progressive record of strong professional and administrative leadership and collaborative team building with staff and other departments within the organization, including successful management of diversified recruitment and promotion, planning for growth in services and service demand, capital planning and project management, training and certifications, general management, finance, and human resources related to fire and emergency medical services. Georgia Public Safety Training Center (GPSTC) Certified Firefighter, Chief Fire Officer (CFO) and/or Executive Fire Officer (EFO) certification with extensive EMT and Haz-Mat training is desirable.

A full profile describing the position, the Department and the County may be viewed at <http://www.springsted.com/open-executive-searches>.

The salary for the position is negotiable depending upon the candidate's qualifications and experience. Coweta County offers excellent benefits including, but not limited to, participation in a defined contribution retirement plan, vacation and sick leave, group life insurance, health insurance, professional dues and conference expenses.

The application deadline is December 18, 2015. To be considered, please submit a cover letter, résumé with salary history and five (5) professional references to:

Ms. Patricia Palmer, Director, Community and Human Resources  
22 East Broad Street  
Newnan, Georgia 30263  
[ppalmer@coweta.ga.us](mailto:ppalmer@coweta.ga.us)

Following the deadline, the County will review and screen all application materials and contact those selected to interview.

*Coweta County is an Equal Opportunity Employer*