



## NVFC Junior Firefighter Program of the Year

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The National Volunteer Fire Council's (NVFC) Junior Firefighter Program of the Year Award, sponsored by California Casualty, honors a junior firefighter program or Explorer Post that has demonstrated significant community impact, innovation, and creativity.

The nomination period is open from November 14, 2024 – January 17, 2025.

### Criteria

Each nominee will be judged on the following criteria:

- Program has been in operation for at least one (1) full year.
- Program has demonstrated exemplary creativity and community impact.

\* Former award recipients are not eligible until 10 years after their previous award.

### Nomination Materials

**Nominations must be received by 5pm EST on January 17, 2025.** Nomination packets must include:

- Completed nomination form
- 500-word essay describing the program's contribution to the local community, including specific examples of how they have used innovation to build youth leadership for the benefit of the fire service and the local community
- One (1) letter of recommendation supporting the nominee (from chief or other department leadership, parent of a junior firefighter, city official, or other person familiar with the department's contributions to the community)
- Up to three (3) additional supporting documents, which may include recommendation letters from community members, articles, or other pertinent information

\* **Please note:** If chosen, award recipient must submit a digital photo to be used for NVFC newsletters, web sites, etc.

Submit your nomination at: <https://nvfc.wufoo.com/forms/2025-junior-firefighter-program-of-the-year-award>.

## Selection

The selection of the NVFC Junior Firefighter Program of the Year will be determined through a nationwide nomination process. The winning program will receive:

- Complimentary 1-year NVFC membership for each junior firefighter
- Local presentation of a personalized award
- National recognition and a place in NVFC history

## Contact Information

Contact the NVFC with any questions:

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