

MONTGOMERY COUNTY FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE

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MEMORANDUM

October 8, 2014

TO: All personnel

FROM: Division Chief Scott Goldstein, Operations Chief

SUBJECT: Paramedic Firefighter Positions

In 2012, MCFRS rebalanced the roster and adjusted the number of positions at all ranks, stations, and shifts to equalize staffing to more efficiently meet minimum staffing requirements based on the number and type of apparatus. That adjustment included a standard number of Paramedic Firefighter positions at each station housing AFRA's and/or ALS transport units. The number of positions was based on established staffing formulas, service needs and to ensure existing Paramedics receive equitable treatment and assignments.

MCFRS continues to have a shortage of Paramedics at the rank of Firefighter/Rescuer. Until we reach the minimum required staffing in the Paramedic Firefighter rank to fill all existing vacancies, we will not be able to consider transfers into positions which are not designated as Paramedic positions.

Once minimum staffing numbers are met and we have enough Paramedics to fill all vacancies, we will return to consideration of Paramedic Firefighters who wish to transfer to positions which are not designated for Paramedics.

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