



The Mission of the Saugatuck Township Fire District is to minimize community risks and improve the quality of life for all persons within Saugatuck Township Fire District.

We strive to achieve this mission through diligent training and the best of equipment, teamed with dedication and professionalism, while maintaining cost-effective management of public funds.

As one of the two largest responding fire departments in Allegan County, our success relies upon a dedicated, progressive and innovative organization which understands that the future will be determined by the use of our most valuable resource ...

#### OUR PERSONNEL

**And We Need You!**



Saugatuck Township Fire District (STFD) is always looking for hard working and dedicated individuals to join our extraordinary team and serve our citizens and visitors.

Candidates must be at least 18 years of age, live within our service area and have the ability to become a certified Firefighter/Emergency Medical Responder/EMT. Saugatuck Township Fire District provides a vast array of emergency and non-emergency services including firefighting, vehicle extrication, emergency medical services, fire prevention and community risk reduction programs.

STFD will provide all the training needed to prepare you to serve your community. Get a preview of what we do by attending our 6 pm training sessions every fourth Wednesday at the fire station.

For more information, visit us at:

**3342 Blue Star Highway,  
call (269) 857-3000  
or visit our website  
[www.SaugatuckFire.Org](http://www.SaugatuckFire.Org)**



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**Fire Chief/Fire Marshal  
Greg Janik  
3342 Blue Star Highway  
Saugatuck, MI 49453**

**For all emergencies call 911**

**For non-emergencies and  
burn permits call 269-857-3000**







### **What Saugatuck Township Fire District (STFD) offers you:**

- ▷ An opportunity to serve people in their time of need
- ▷ An opportunity to give back to your community
- ▷ Deep community involvement
- ▷ Excellent equipment
- ▷ Experienced fire officers
- ▷ Uniforms and firefighting gear
- ▷ Team environment
- ▷ Access to HelpNet services
- ▷ Paid-on-Call wages
- ▷ MERS 457 Deferred Compensation Plan
- ▷ Nightly weekday and weekend duty crew stipend
- ▷ Holiday stipend
- ▷ Paid monthly training including at our Live Fire Training Facility
- ▷ Paid Fire Academy and Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) Course fees
- ▷ Complete physical examination fees paid

### **Who are we?**

On average, STFD responds to 1,000 emergency calls per year. The number of medical calls has been steadily rising every year and now makes up 65% of all calls. The fire station is manned 24/7. STFD is staffed with a day crew and a 24-hour shift officer. The day crew is backed up by a roster of Paid-on-Call firefighters who cover the station on nights and weekends with the shift officer.

Additionally, outside of duty shifts, Paid-on-Call staff respond to the station when necessary.

Extinguishing fires is just a part of the picture. In fact, only 13% of 911 calls are fire related. The other 87% are requests for Emergency Medical Services (EMS) such as heart attacks, car wrecks, drownings, home accidents, falls and community related support such as public safety education and assistance.

### **What do today's firefighters do?**

*Simply put, incident response.*

Every incident begins with a call for help. All firefighters carry a radio or pager to receive 911 alerts. In addition, STFD uses the Active911 smart phone app to alert personnel of an incident and provide them with pertinent information about the call including location, directions, and a brief description of the type of emergency.

### **Firefighting tasks include:**

- ▷ Pump operations
- ▷ Hose/extinguisher fire attack
- ▷ Ladder operations and ventilation
- ▷ Forcible entry and search/rescue
- ▷ Salvage operations and overhaul operations
- ▷ Clean-up/pick-up

### **Emergency Medical Service tasks include:**

- ▷ Patient assessment and scene safety
- ▷ Provide pre-hospital basic treatment
- ▷ Prepare patients for transport as necessary
- ▷ Complete required documentation and reports
- ▷ Assist ambulance crews with patient care as requested
- ▷ Provide care and comfort to their families

### **Other Firefighter tasks include:**

- ▷ Equipment and station maintenance
- ▷ Fire prevention education
- ▷ Public assistance
- ▷ Training and continued education
- ▷ Incident report completion