

# FIND AN EXPLORER POST NEAR YOU

There are nine Explorer posts located throughout Los Angeles County with each post representing a Division's jurisdiction. Each post is led by a professional firefighter who voluntarily serves as the Explorers' advisor and mentor.

**DIVISION 1**  
Carson • Gardena • Hawthorne • Hermosa Beach • Lawndale • Lomita  
Palos Verdes Estates • Rancho Palos Verdes • Rolling Hills • Rolling Hills Estates

**DIVISION 2**  
Azusa • Baldwin Park • Bradbury • Claremont • Covina • Duarte • Glendora  
Irwindale • San Dimas

**DIVISION 3**  
La Cañada Flintridge • Santa Clarita

**DIVISION 4**  
Artesia • Bellflower • Cerritos • Hawaiian Gardens • La Habra • Lakewood  
La Mirada • Norwalk • Paramount • Pico Rivera • Signal Hill • Whittier

**DIVISION 5**  
Lancaster • Palmdale

**DIVISION 6**  
Cudahy • Huntington Park • Inglewood • Lynwood • Maywood • South Gate  
Vernon

**DIVISION 7**  
Agoura Hills • Calabasas • Hidden Hills • Malibu • West Hollywood  
Westlake Village

**DIVISION 8**  
Diamond Bar • Industry • La Puente • Pomona • Walnut

**DIVISION 9**  
Bell • Bell Gardens • Commerce • El Monte • Rosemead • South El Monte  
Temple City





# EXPLORING THE POSSIBILITIES

## The Los Angeles County Fire Department Explorer Program introduces teenagers and young adults to careers in the fire service.





A joint venture with “Learning for Life”, the Explorer Program was established in 1975 to develop and foster a relationship between young adults and the communities they live in. Explorers value their experiences in this program and many eventually join the ranks of the fire service or pursue leadership roles in other fields.

Once you become an Explorer, you will attend meetings twice a month, participate in physical activities, and volunteer at community and Department events.

Explorers are given the opportunity to participate in a two-day orientation. During the orientation, they will learn leadership techniques and soft skills as well as be trained on firefighting skills, hose lay evolutions, ladder techniques, salvage operations, proper use of firefighting tools and equipment, breathing apparatus use, and other related subjects. Upon completion of the Explorer orientation, Explorers may participate in fire station ride-alongs.



## BECOME A FIRE EXPLORER

 Earn high school credits or community service credits for college	 Develop teamwork and leadership skills for career development
 Learn to use fire department tools and improve mechanical skills and aptitude	 Work directly with firefighters to acquire fire and life safety skills

### BASIC REQUIREMENTS

- 15-20 years of age.\*
- Maintain a 2.0 grade point average in school.
- Ability to read, write and comprehend directions and training materials in English.
- Ability to work as a team member.
- Submit a physician-completed medical/physical exam form.
- For everyone’s health and safety and pursuant to LA County policies, all Explorer Program participants will be required to show proof of COVID-19 vaccination.

*\*Explorer Program participants 18 to 20 years of age will be subject to a background investigation conducted by Learning for Life.*

### APPLICATION PROCESS



- 1 Sign up for the Explorer Program at [www.fire.lacounty.gov/explorer-program](http://www.fire.lacounty.gov/explorer-program)
- 2 Once contacted by an Explorer post advisor, fill out and submit a completed application.
- 3 Interview with an Explorer post advisor.
- 4 Submit a medical and physical exam form completed by your doctor.
- 5 Register with Learning for Life (Boy Scouts of America).
- 6 Undergo and pass a physical assessment test to achieve Certified Explorer Status.



Introducing the youth of Los Angeles County to today’s fire and emergency medical services, emphasizing community service and civic involvement through positive mentoring, training, education, and career development.



[FIRE.LACOUNTY.GOV/EXPLORER-PROGRAM](http://FIRE.LACOUNTY.GOV/EXPLORER-PROGRAM)

Scan to visit the Explorer Program Webpage!



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### MISSION

To protect lives, the environment, and property by providing prompt, skillful, and cost-effective fire protection and life safety services.

### VISION

The Los Angeles County Fire Department will be an exemplary organization acclaimed for our national reputation, our regional strength, and our hometown attentiveness as we provide fire protection and life safety services.

### CORE VALUES

Integrity / Teamwork / Caring  
Courage / Community / Commitment