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Rattle Watch

Proudly informing South Carolina firefighters.



Leadership Institute applications due next week

If you're looking for a sign to stop procrastinating your [Leadership Institute](#) application: **this is it.**

Leadership Institute applications must be submitted **by 5 p.m. on Wednesday, August 31**. That's exactly *six days* from now—don't put it off!

Below is a refresher on what you should expect should you be accepted into the program.

What are the expectations?

Participants in this program should have prior experience/knowledge of their department administration and operations, experience with presentations to councils or commissions, an ability to schedule work to allow participation in all Leadership Institute functions and meetings, a desire to advance their personal skills into an executive leadership realm, and the willingness to speak in front of groups and peers.

What is the time commitment?

Participants should understand that all Leadership Institute meetings are mandatory and chief and/or department approval acknowledging this commitment is required. Participants should anticipate attending 8 daytime meetings, two 1-week trips, and two weekend outings. As stated

previously, chief/department approval of the expected time commitment is required.

[Apply for Leadership Institute.](#)

Association event



Book your hotel now for Fire-Rescue

Preparation for **Fire-Rescue 2023** is well under way. Your Training & Education Committee is excited to bring you another stellar speaker lineup and our vendors are looking forward to seeing you and your families again in June in Myrtle Beach.

We've got a few hotel deals—yep, including **Breakers**— that you can take advantage of now.

[Book your hotel for #SCFR23.](#)



Community event

Lugoff hosting 9/11 remembrance walk

Lugoff Fire-Rescue is hosting its third annual [9/11 Remembrance Walk](#) on **Saturday, September 10 from 9 a.m.-noon** to honor those who gave the ultimate sacrifice on September 11, 2001. The event is free and all are welcome to attend.

T-shirts are available to purchase for \$15/piece when you [register](#).



**Applications for the 2022
CHEMTREC HELP Award
are closing soon!**

CHEMTREC & the National Volunteer Fire Council are partnering to award \$10,000 each to three volunteer fire departments in the U.S.

**Submit your application
by September 1st.**

Apply for a CHEMTREC HELP award

Our friends at [CHEMTREC](#) are assisting volunteer and combination departments to enhance their **response capabilities** and **increase local preparedness** to respond to and prepare for **hazardous materials incidents** by awarding three departments its HELP award worth \$10,000.

For over 50 years, CHEMTREC's engagement with emergency responders around the world has been the engine that drives its success. In light of that relationship, CHEMTREC has partnered with the **National Volunteer Fire Council** (NVFC) to award \$10,000 each to three volunteer fire departments in the U.S. that are also members of the NVFC.

[Apply today!](#)



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Waiting for message from CPM Federal Credit Union (Clark?)



- September 16-18 - SCFAST Clinicians Weekend
- [September 19 - 1% Regional Training: Williamsburg County](#)
- [October 12 - Quarterly Training + Business Meeting](#)



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