



## Free RCC Tuition or up to \$6,000 a year for other colleges

Rockland County first responder agencies are experiencing a critical need to recruit and retain members. Rockland County along with Fire and Emergency services has developed a program to provide tuition reimbursement to Fire Department and EMS Agency volunteers.

**Who can apply** – anyone who is a member of a local volunteer fire department, volunteer fire company, volunteer fire district or volunteer EMS agency, who meets the minimum requirements and is enrolled at a college, university, trade school or approved training program.

Incentives – There are 2 programs.

- **EDGES** Educational Development and Growth for Emergency Services This is a program with SUNY Rockland Community College to grant a waiver of tuition. Volunteers must be in good standing and meet the minimum requirements.
- H.E.R.R.O.s Higher Education Recruitment and Retention Opportunities This is for any approved college, university, trade school or approved training program and grade point average (GPA) of "C" or better (2.0 GPA on a 4.0 scale).

For more information on these great programs and their applications go to the Fire & Emergency page located at Rockland Gov.Com>Departments>Fire & Emergency Services>Firefighter & Emergency Responders>scroll down to College Educational Opportunities (in middle of the page).