

TOWNSHIP OF MAPLEWOOD



ORDINANCE

2684-12

**AN ORDINANCE
TO PROVIDE INCENTIVES
TO CERTAIN
VOLUNTEERS
WITHIN THE TOWNSHIP OF MAPLEWOOD**

"Interpretive Statement"

This ordinance will provide volunteer members of the Maplewood Police and Fire Auxiliary, the Maplewood Community Emergency Response Team and the Maplewood Volunteer First Aid Squad with incentives.

WHEREAS, the Township of Maplewood ("Township") appreciates the tireless efforts of the members of its Police and Fire Auxiliary, the Maplewood Community Emergency Response Team ("CERT") and the Volunteer First Aid Squad; and

WHEREAS, the Township adopted ordinance number 2400-07 providing incentives for certain volunteers; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee wishes to extend the program to award Township Emergency Service Volunteers for their efforts to preserve and protect the health, welfare and property of the Township as well as to encourage volunteerism in the Township for emergency services.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Maplewood, County of Essex, State of New Jersey, as follows:

FIRST:

A. Applicability. This ordinance shall apply to all individuals who serve as a volunteer in the Township's Police or Fire Auxiliary, CERT and/or on the Maplewood Volunteer First Aid Squad.

B. Definitions. The following words and phrases shall have the meaning set forth in this subsection:

MEMBER IN GOOD STANDING - Any member having at least one (1) year of active service in the Maplewood Police or Fire Auxiliary, CERT or in the Maplewood Volunteer First Aid Squad, as certified to by chief officer of the organization.

VOLUNTEER - An individual who contributes service to the Maplewood Police or Fire Auxiliary, CERT or the Maplewood Volunteer First Aid Squad without remuneration or without a formal agreement or contract for hire.

VOLUNTEER SERVICE - The required percentage of activity, participation or attendance necessary to qualify as a bona fide member of the Maplewood Police or Fire Auxiliary, CERT or Maplewood Volunteer First Aid Squad.

C. Certain Fees. All volunteers as defined herein shall be exempt from one half of the fee for any membership category in the Maplewood Community Pool and shall be exempt from the Municipal portion of the fee for Pet Licenses and Building Permits on their primary residence.

SECOND: Severability

If any section, paragraph, subparagraph, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be adjudged invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to the specific section, paragraph, subparagraph, clause or provision so adjudged and the remainder of the Ordinance shall be deemed valid and effective.

THIRD: Repeal of Prior Ordinances

Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance be and the same are hereby repealed to the extent of any such inconsistencies.

FOURTH: Effective Date

This Ordinance shall take effect after final passage and publication and as provided by law.

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that the foregoing proposed Ordinance was introduced and read by title for the first time at a meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Maplewood, held on February 21, 2012, and that Committee met again on March 6, 2012, at 7:30 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 574 Valley Street, Maplewood, New Jersey, at which time and place the Committee proceeded to consider the said Ordinance on second reading and final passage.

ELIZABETH J. FRITZEN, R.M.C.
Township Clerk