

## **Brevard County Fire Rescue**

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**TO:** Jim Liesenfelt, Interim County Manager

THRU: Matthew Wallace, Public Safety Director

FROM: Patrick Voltaire, Fire Chief

SUBJ: Citizen Efficiency and Effectiveness Recommendation #2025016

CEER #2025016, titled Firefighters, was received by the County from Mrs. Maria Schmackpfeffer

# **Citizen Statement:**

What is happening? Stop losing firefighters. Why aren't we paying them a living wage?

### Citizen Recommendation:

Increase wages to nearby industry standards to protect our citizens and care for heroic first responders. Is it tax cuts? Wtaf

## Staff Analysis:

Chapter 447, Florida Statutes, requires firefighter compensation be addressed through the collective bargaining process. This process is not within the scope of the Speak Up Brevard program.

## **Staff Recommended Action:**

It is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners reject CEER #2025016 as the firefighter compensation is subject to mandatory bargaining by law as provided in the staff analysis.

CC: Frank Abbate, County Manager

# Horst, Rachel

**From:** CEER@brevardfl.gov

**Sent:** Friday, January 10, 2025 4:07 AM

To: Horst, Rachel

**Subject:** A new CEER Recommendation has been submitted as ID #2026016

### Recommendation # 2026016

#### Dear CEER Administrator,

Speak Up Brevard Recommendation ID #2026016 has been submitted. Please login to the CEER Application to start the recommendation evaluation workflow.

### **Contact Information:**

**Group/Organization** 

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#### **Recommendation Information:**

Recommendation ID 2026016

**Recommendation Title** Firefighters

Areas Affected Firefighting

Department Affected FIRE RESCUE DEPARTMENT

**Current problem** What is happening? Stop losing firefighters. Why aren't we paying them a living wage?

**Recommendation** Increase wages to nearby industry standards to protect our citizens and care for

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**Attachments** No Documents were attached.

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