



Oregon Fire Service Office Administrators  
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Dear Valued OFSOA Member,

As we all work through the budget process for our districts and departments, we've seen firsthand the impacts of rising expenses. To address this in regard to OFSOA, we began the discussion in 2023 about increasing membership dues.

During our fourth quarter Board meeting on Tuesday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2023, at the onset of the Fall Conference in Hood River, expenses were reviewed. Due in large part to the rising costs of doing business, our expenses continue to increase, at a faster rate than our revenue.

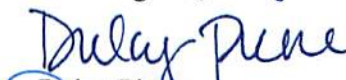

During this review we took the opportunity to discuss current membership dues. OFSOA has had two rate increases in membership dues in the last 20+ years, with the last increase moving into effect during 2018/2019. While we recognize this increase will not make up for the differences, it will be a step forward. In addition to the increase, we also agreed to pursue grant opportunities that will help offset budgetary deficits.

Following this discussion, the board unanimously agreed to ask the membership for a vote of approval to increase membership dues for the 2025/2026 fiscal year from \$40 to \$75 annually, beginning in July 2025.



Please note that your membership is extremely valuable to OFSOA and this decision was not made without serious consideration. We look forward to continuing in "*Sharing a Standard of Excellence*" with you.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the dues increase, please contact any of us.

Best Regards,

  
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