

FIRE DEPARTMENT OVERVIEW & EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION

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FIRE DEPARTMENT MISSION

Our mission is to protect life, property, and the environment by providing exceptional and progressive, all-hazard emergency services, public education, and safety programs.



+44,670 Calls for service



+122 Calls for service per day



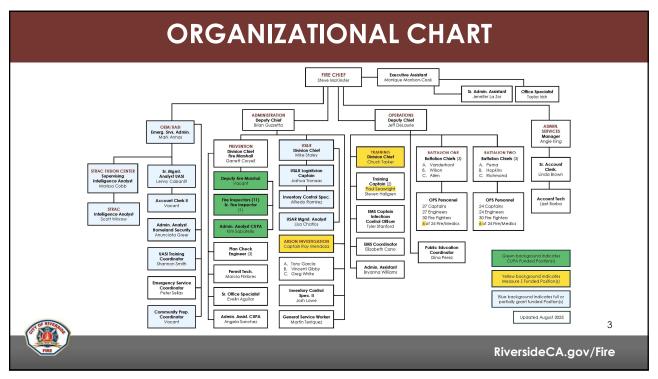
1 Call every 12 minutes

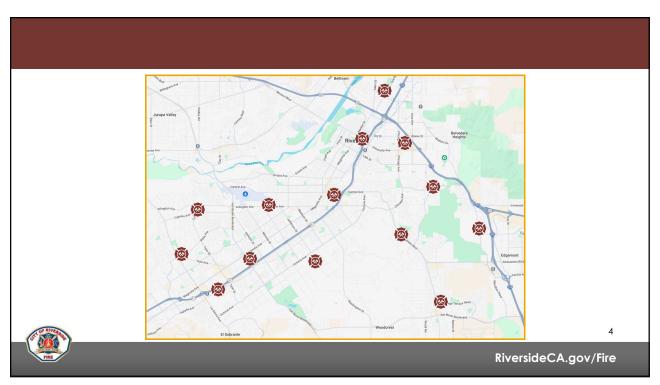






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BUDGET SUMMARY

Division	FY 2023/24 Budget	Programs/Functions
Administration	\$2,885,836	Office of the Chief; Administration; Fiscal Management
Operations	\$59,251,270	Fire Suppression; Hazmat; Investigations
Training	\$647,577	Training
Prevention	\$1,760,660	Fire Marshal; Fire Safety Inspection; Plan Check; CUPA
Special Services	\$652,299	Emergency Operations Center, Grant Administration; CERT
Total	\$65,197,642	



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2024 CALLS FOR SERVICE

44,670 Total Calls
2.81% increase from 2023

638 Fires

30,573 Medical Aids

190 Technical Rescue Calls

171 Hazardous Materials Calls

1,036 Wildland Calls

In 2024, 54,358 individual units promptly responded to 44,670 calls for service, collectively dedicating 20,106 hours to on-scene duties. **All Fire Calls**



3.75% of Total Call Volume

EMS/Rescue Calls



30,763Total Calls for Service

68.87% of Total Call Volume

Homeless Related Calls



9,001 Total Calls for Service 20.15% of Total Call Volume

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EMS TIERED DISPATCHING

Tiered Dispatching implemented November 2024 for low acuity calls

2024 – 30,573 Medical Aids

Low Acuity Calls
Prior to Tier – 2.0%
After Tiered Dispatching – 7.6%





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SHIFT ARSON INVESTIGATORS

Full Time Shift Arson Investigators Implemented July 2024

Significant 2024 Increases

Call for Service/Cases Generated – 241
Arrests and Cases with the DA's Office – 48
Administrative Citations for Fireworks – 24
Fireworks Confiscated – 1800lbs.
New Hire Background Investigations - 32



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OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

2 EOC activations

- 334 Partner Meetings (local, regional, state, federal)
- 36 Riverside
 Alert Messages
 (Internal and External)

OEM 2024 Stats

- 1,852 Duty Officer Notifications
- 7 Exercises Attended
- 1 Local Hazard
 Mitigation Plan
 Approved Pending Adoption
- \$9,710,821 million in Preparedness Grant Dollars managed (UASI, SHSP, EMPG)
- 3 Federal Public Assistance Recovery Grant

Community Preparedness Outreach / CERT

- 40 Outreach Events (2,974 In-person Engagements)
- 269 CERT Trained
- 51 CERT Support and Outreach Team Members totaling 248 hours.

Urban Area Security Initiative Regional Training

- 47 Classes with 1,869 public safety, first responders, emergency managers and EOC staff trained.
- · 4 Conferences with 32 people trained

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FIRE PREVENTION

2024

Fire and Life Safety
Inspections
5,169

Hazardous Materials Inspections 423



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VISION: LOOKING FORWARD

We will continue to be a world-class leader in providing progressive, professional, and exceptional fire-rescue and life safety services.





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