

RESPONSE STAFFING

**Currently 13 full-time
career firefighter/EMTs
+ dedicated volunteers**

**Seven recruit firefighter/EMTs currently attending academy. Three uniformed Chiefs assigned to days.*

**Daily scheduled
staffing 3 to 4
firefighter/EMT's on
shift each day**

Restoring the fire levy rate will allow us to hire additional full-time firefighter/EMTs, increasing the number of firefighters on-duty each day.

CURRENT CHALLENGES



Cross-staffing response vehicles

Meaning firefighters must choose which response vehicle to take to an emergency that may require multiple pieces of emergency apparatus.



Not meeting WA State WAC 296-305-05002

Which requires a minimum of two firefighters outside the hot zone available for assistance or rescue when two firefighters are working in the hot zone due to simultaneous calls.



Experiencing an increase in simultaneous calls

When more than two 911 calls are received at the same time, no on-duty firefighter/EMTs are left to respond to a third call. Resulting in delayed response times for our citizens.