



Fairfax County Fire & Rescue Department Annual Summary (FY 2010)

(July 1, 2009 - June 30, 2010)

Proudly Protecting & Serving Our Community

Vision - Dedicated to being the best community-focused fire and rescue department ensuring a safe and secure environment for all.

Mission - Provide the highest quality services to protect the lives, property, and environment of our community.

Core Values - Professional Excellence • Health and Safety • Diversity • Team Work and Shared Leadership • Effective Communications • Integrity • Community Service and Involvement • Innovation

Population - 1,051,330

Roads - 4,800 miles

Land Area - 395 sq. mi.

Housing Units - 397,700

Your Fire and Rescue Department "At Your Service"

The Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department trains firefighters to provide a full complement of fire suppression, technical rescue, swift water rescue, hazardous materials, and emergency medical services, including basic and advanced life support and emergency medical transportation—it is a career and volunteer all-hazards department. Since its humble beginning in July 1949, the Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department has evolved from ten skilled "drivers" to a complex agency responsible for meeting the emergency needs of over one million residents.

Today, nearly 1,400 uniformed men and women operate from 37 fire and rescue stations strategically positioned throughout Fairfax County. Additionally, about 260 full-time and seasonal civilians provide key support functions from headquarters and other locations.

The Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department operates on three separate 24-hour rotation shifts. Each shift is led by a Deputy Fire Chief. The county is separated geographically into seven battalions, each managed by a battalion management team of a Battalion Fire Chief and EMS Captain. Fire suppression personnel and paramedics work in tandem to ensure the highest level of safety and care possible for the residents of Fairfax County.



Firefighters battle a two-alarm house fire at 2537 Herrell Court in the Falls Church area.

Highlights

2015 WORLD POLICE AND FIRE GAMES - Selected to host the 2015 World Police and Fire Games; is second only to the Olympics in size.

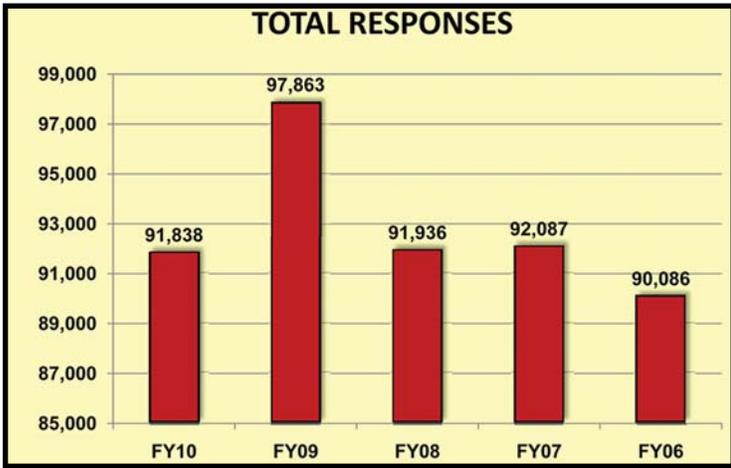
ACADEMY BURN BUILDING - Opened for use (15,000 square feet), Class B burn building for training.

VIRGINIA TASK FORCE-1 - Deployed two teams of 114 members simultaneously to the Haiti earthquake under the authority of the United States Agency for International Development (USAID).

FIRE AND RESCUE STATION 10, BAILEYS CROSSROADS - Received major structural damage (roof collapse) during winter snow storms. A new station is being designed and built on the same site.



Community Outreach . . . firefighters provide winter coats to deserving children.



Firefighters douse a vehicle fire at the intersection of Richmond Highway and Fordson Road in the Pohick area.



Hazardous Materials crews participate in a training exercise with Police Department robots.

From: LISANABORS
Sent: Friday, September 17, 2010 5:21 PM
To: WEBTeam
Subject: Heartfelt Thanks
 Dear Chief Mastin:

My name is Lisa Nabors and I am the President of the Home Owner's Association Somerset @ McNair Farms. During the late night hours on Wednesday, September 8, 2010 a fire broke out in one of the townhouses in our neighborhood (13196 Ashnut Lane). Fortunately, all people and pets were unharmed.

I am writing to share with you our tremendous appreciation for all of the fire fighters who battled this blaze and ultimately ensured the safety of everyone in our neighborhood. When I awoke around midnight, I could see flames coming from the residence referenced above. Firefighters from station 436 (we think of them as our firefighters), 401 and 404 were here (if other stations also responded, I didn't note their numbers). A number of residents were outside already and my husband and I joined them. For the next hour I observed all of your folks doing what they do to put this fire out.

To put my comments in context, I'll share with you that by profession I work with hundreds of teams in many industries focusing on factors contributing to high performance. Your folks were fabulous. Not only did they put the fire out (delivered results), they were calm, focused, professional, efficient and effective. Their performance was seamless. If I could remove from the equation the reason they were here, I would say it was a pleasure to watch them work. In the days following the fire, several of them were back in the neighborhood and once again, they were striking in their professionalism and care.

Please accept our heartfelt thanks for the great service all of these firefighters provided and if you will please share our thoughts directly with them, we would appreciate it.

Sincerely,
 Lisa Nabors

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Budget

(Actual Expenditures)

FY10	\$164,792,296
FY09	\$164,698,315
FY08	\$165,635,104

Personnel

Uniformed	1,381
Civilian	141
Civilian, Seasonal	119
Volunteers (operational)	291

Revenue

EMS Transport Billing	\$14.2 M
Fire Prevention	\$4.5 M

Fire Loss

All Fires	\$16,400,000
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Units

Advanced Life Support (ALS) Engines	37
Medics	38
Ambulances	4
Haz mat Units	2
Trucks	14
Aerial Ladders	7
Tower Ladders	7
Tankers	5
Rescues	8

Investigations (Fires and Hazardous Materials)

Accidental Fires	103
Incendiary Fires	80
Other Fires	103
Undetermined Fires	14
Hazardous Materials	425

Fire Fatalities

Incendiary	3
Undetermined	2
Accidental	2
Total	7

Activity (Responses)

EMS	65,898
Fire	18,076
Special Operational	1,344
Public Service	6,520

Total Responses	91,838
Patients Transported	47,228

False Alarms

Malicious	287	Accidental/Other	7,344
Malfunction	1,362	Total	8,993

Fire Prevention Services

Fire Systems Tests	13,990	Plans Reviewed	7,273
Fire Inspections	15,468		

Response Times

AED response rate in 5 Minutes	*58%
ALS Transport units on scene in 9 minutes	*83%
Engine Company on scene of a structure fire in 5 minutes	*41%
Fire suppression assembly of 15 operational personnel in 9 minutes	*80%

*Response times data was calculated for a six-month period from January - June 2010



Community Outreach . . . firefighters donate and distribute toys to local children.



Community Outreach . . . firefighters and life safety educators provide fire safety education to school children.

Life Safety Education

Preschool Children.....	19,500
School Aged Children.....	10,000
Older Adults 60 +.....	10,400
Juvenile Firesetters	176

Community Outreach Programs

Community and Civic Groups

Fire safety presentations including home escape planning and proper smoke alarm placement. Community slide show showing fire safety tips.

Every Step of the Way

A fire and life safety program targeted to the most vulnerable: children and older adults. Programs center on teacher and parent training, and fire safety puppet shows in public, private schools, and daycare centers. Older adults are exposed to programs addressing fire and life safety, including injury from falls. Additionally, the File of Life program allows residents to prominently display medical information to emergency personnel.

Project SAFE Program

Project SAFE is a third grade safety program in every Fairfax County public elementary school, conducted by firefighters.

Get Alarmed

Provides for free distribution and installation of smoke alarms for residents. Firefighters also conduct a semi-annual smoke alarm initiative in neighborhoods during the fall and spring when clocks are moved forward or back.



Juvenile Firesetters Intervention Program

An educational intervention program targeted to juvenile firesetters administered by a nationally certified educator. Referrals are received from court officials, school counselors, law enforcement, fire investigators, and mental health practitioners.



Aluminum Cans for Burned Children (Washington Regional Fire & Rescue Departments)

Aluminum Cans for Burned Children (ACBC) helps improve the quality of life for young burn survivors and their families by providing funding for research and therapeutic residential burn camps, and other positive activities.



Station	Phone Number
* 1 - McLean.....	703-356-6671
* 2 - Vienna	703-938-2242
4 - Herndon.....	703-437-1233
* 5 - Franconia	703-971-5858
* 8 - Annandale.....	703-256-2552
9 - Mount Vernon.....	703-780-0150
*10 - Bailey's Crossroads.....	703-820-2345
11 - Penn Daw.....	703-765-4404
*12 - Great Falls.....	703-759-2300
*13 - Dunn Loring.....	703-560-1539
*14 - Burke.....	703-978-9200
15 - Chantilly	703-378-5353
16 - Clifton.....	703-830-1901
*17 - Centreville.....	703-830-8280
18 - Jefferson	703-573-4505
*19 - Lorton.....	703-339-5141
20 - Gunston.....	703-339-5970
*21 - Fair Oaks.....	703-591-0247
*22 - Springfield.....	703-451-0120
*23 - West Annandale.....	703-978-3340
24 - Woodlawn	703-780-0110
25 - Reston.....	703-437-7575
26 - Edsall Road.....	703-256-2236
27 - West Springfield.....	703-451-0453
28 - Seven Corners	703-532-1451
29 - Tysons Corner	703-893-0140
30 - Merrifield.....	703-573-5321
31 - Fox Mill	703-860-2680
32 - Fairview	703-250-8900
34 - Oakton.....	703-591-0273
35 - Pohick.....	703-451-5500
36 - Frying Pan.....	703-793-0043
*37 - Kingstowne	703-719-9294
*38 - West Centreville	703-802-2806
39 - North Point.....	703-433-1418
40 - Fairfax Center	703-322-4500
41 - Crosspointe.....	703-493-8990
42 - Wolftrap.....	Planned

* Volunteer Department affiliated with these stations.

Apparatus Responses

Engine Company		Medic		Ambulance		Truck Company		Rescue Squad	
Unit	Responses	Unit	Responses	Unit	Responses	Unit	Responses	Unit	Responses
E410	3,062	M422	2,377	A408	1,864	T429	1,868	R426	1,383
E408	2,963	M410	2,344	A410	1,774	T425	1,789	R411	1,331
E422	2,813	M408	2,316	A411	1,650	T410	1,762	R418	1,319
E409	2,785	M428	2,295	A409	1,546	T422	1,558	R421	1,177
E429	2,699	M411	2,266	A422E	471	TL430	1,321	R401	1,167
E411	2,635	M430	2,210	A417E	314	TL440	1,298	R419	1,044
E413	2,546	M409	2,206	A402E	173	TL436	1,262	R414	976
E404	2,494	M413	2,204	A414E	167	TL411	1,233	R439	857
E425	2,415	M425	2,181	A421E	135	T405	1,161		
E430	2,358	M418	2,133	A413E	89	TL408	1,151		

Battalion Chiefs

Unit	Responses	Unit	Responses
BC404	866	BC407	530
BC403	642	BC401	498
BC402	646	BC406	441
BC405	597		

EMS Captains

Unit	Responses	Unit	Responses
EMS404	1,850	EMS401	1,083
EMS405	1,472	EMS406	1,081
EMS402	1,305	EMS407	765
EMS403	1,159		

Worldwide Disaster Response

Virginia Task Force 1 (VATF-1) - a premier humanitarian disaster response resource governed through federal partnerships with United States Agency for International Development, (USAID), Department of Homeland Security, (DHS), and the Federal Emergency Management Agency, (FEMA). Deploys nationally and internationally to natural and man-made disasters on short notice. Teams have deployed to Armenia, Kenya, Turkey, Taiwan, Iran, Haiti, Oklahoma City, The Pentagon, and numerous other disaster locations within the US and abroad. Costs and expenses for training, equipment, supplies, and personnel are paid for by the federal government.



USAR in Haiti . . . VATF-1 members provided humanitarian assistance and rescued several Haitians during their mission.



No notice overseas deployment . . . Virginia Task Force 1 deploys for 14 days to a 7.1 magnitude earthquake in Haiti.

Sent: Thursday, January 14, 2010 7:59 AM
 To: Fairfax County Office of Public Affairs
 Subject: Assistance for the victims in Haiti

To Whom It May Concern:

My husband and I just watched the early news on an NBC affiliate and heard Brian Williams say Fairfax County's Fire and Rescue Team arrived in Haiti ahead of many national and world agencies to "lend a hand." What a tribute to your leadership, organization, and workforce!

God bless you all; may you be richly rewarded for your efforts! (Please forward to those within your county offices who have been most instrumental in this project.)

Submitted By: Roxana Morrill, Colcord, Oklahoma



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