

A photograph of two firefighters in full protective gear working at a fire scene at night. The firefighters are wearing helmets, jackets with reflective stripes, and pants. They are positioned in the foreground, looking towards a large fire in the background. The fire is bright and intense, with thick smoke rising from it. The scene is illuminated by the fire and possibly by emergency lights. The overall atmosphere is one of a busy, active fire scene.

2015 Annual Report

FRESNO FIRE DEPARTMENT



2015 Annual Report

City of Fresno

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|---|---------------|
| Population: | 520,159 |
| Land Area: | 115 sq. miles |
| Housing Units: | 174,104 |
| Households: | 160,172 |
| Housing Units in Multi-Unit Structures: | 32.6% |

*Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Mission:

To protect and put service above all else

Vision:

Recognized as a standard of excellence in the fire service

Core Values:

Teamwork ~ Trust ~ Commitment



A Fire Captain gives a report on a gas explosion fire.

Fire Chief Kerri L. Donis



It is my honor and privilege to present the annual report of the Fresno Fire Department, reflecting the performance and commitment that sets this organization apart from others. I am so proud of this organization and the unwavering commitment of its members to serve the citizens of Fresno! This year

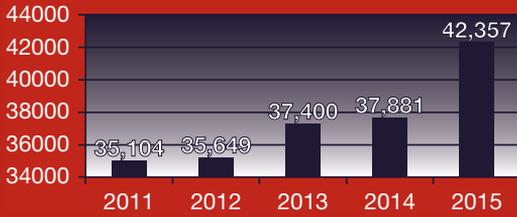
the Department engaged in a record number of calls for service, responded to the growing demands of new construction, and battled through the most challenging time in our Department's history when Captain Pete Dern had a near-miss accident. These challenges continue to be met with the resourcefulness, perseverance and foresight of the entire FFD team. The pages that follow further highlight the accomplishments and activities of our members in all areas of the Department. Our success is due to the dedication of its members, our strong community partnerships, and the support of the offices of the Mayor, City Manager and City Council.

Your Fire Department "A Tradition of Service"

Established in 1877, the Fresno Fire Department is one of the oldest fire departments in our nation. Today, with 296 sworn firefighting personnel, we serve over a half million residents. The Fresno Fire Department provides fire protection to the City of Fresno, North Central Fire Protection District, Fig Garden Fire Protection District, and the Fresno County islands situated within the boundaries of the Fresno City limits. Our compliment of resources and skills allows us to provide fire prevention, suppression, emergency medical response, hazardous materials response, technical rescue, and an assortment of community outreach services.

The Fresno Fire Department provides emergency response from a total of 24 fire stations located throughout the city of Fresno, our contract areas and Fresno Yosemite International Airport. Each station is staffed with a 3-4 person engine or truck company and divided geographically into three battalions; each managed by a fire battalion chief.

Total Incidents



Captain Pete Dern working at a commercial structure fire in SW Fresno.



Budget

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|--------------------------|---------------------|
| General Fund..... | \$48,394,500 |
| Grants..... | \$961,500 |
| License & Permit | \$155,000 |
| Charges for Service..... | \$3,351,900 |
| Contract Fees..... | \$7,048,600 |
| Capital | \$2,631,100 |
| Total Budget..... | \$62,542,600 |

Units

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|------------------------------|----|
| Engine Companies | 21 |
| Truck Companies | 5 |
| Water Tenders | 4 |
| Brush Rigs | 2 |
| Patrols | 2 |
| HazMat Units..... | 2 |
| US&R Heavy Rescue..... | 1 |
| Rescue Boats | 2 |
| Airport Rescue Vehicle | 2 |

Personnel

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| Sworn Safety | 296 |
| Minimum Daily Staffing (City & FGFPD) | 73 |
| Minimum Daily Staffing (NCFPD)..... | 12 |
| Sworn Non-Safety | 13 |
| Civilian | 19 |
| Fire Shop | 8 |
| Total | 336 |

Incidents

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|---------------------------|--------------|
| Medical Aids..... | 30,100 |
| Arrivals..... | 23,281 |
| Downgrades | 6,819 |
| Total Fires | 2,837 |
| Structure Fires..... | 1,037 |
| Vegetation Fires..... | 481 |
| Vehicle Fires | 397 |
| False Alarms..... | 3,144 |
| Service Calls..... | 1,338 |
| All Other Incidents | 4,938 |

Total Incidents.....42,357

Fire Loss

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| All Fires..... | \$24,857,844 |
| From Arson..... | \$3,090,223 |
| Number of Displaced People from Fires | 522 |

Civilian Fatalities

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| From Structure Fires..... | 8 |
| From CO Poisoning..... | 2 |
| From Vehicle Fires | 0 |
| Firefighter Fatalities | 0 |

Injuries

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| Civilian Injuries..... | 74 |
| Firefighter Injuries..... | 114 |

Fire Investigations

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| Total Investigations..... | 416 |
| Incendiary Fires | 252 |
| Arrests | 45 |

Fire Prevention

(Community Risk Reduction)

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|-----------------------------------|-------|
| 5 Year Fire Sprinkler Tests | 586 |
| New Sprinkler Inspections.... | 1,070 |
| Plan Reviews | 4,040 |
| Fire Inspections | 4,645 |
| Weed Abatement (NCFPD/FGFPD) .. | 75 |

Fire Shop

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|-------------------------|-------|
| Repair Requests..... | 3,766 |
| Completed Repairs | 3,225 |

Thank You

Hi,

My name is Amy Spier and I live next door to the house on Norwich Avenue that burned down last night. I just wanted to take a second and write a quick thank you for all the work done by all the different emergency response personnel that responded to the fire last night. Your crews made myself and my neighbors feel safe and informed, while also working together seamlessly to fight the fire. I don't know how much thanks you all get for what you do, but you made myself and my neighborhood feel safe and informed and protected and for that, we are all grateful. You had no obligation to talk to the people asking questions, but the crews took the time to answer some quick questions when they could tell it was what we needed to feel safe and like we didn't need to start packing as well as we watched the flames growing closer and closer to our roof. Thank you again for the work you all do.

*Respectfully,
Amy Spier*



Truck 11 and Engine 13 working a rollover accident on Hwy 41.

Response Times

First company arrival within 4 minutes

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|-------------------|------|
| Medical Aids..... | 65%* |
| Fires..... | 67%* |

Effective residential firefighting force

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| within 8 minutes..... | 84%* |
| (15 Firefighters on scene) | |

Effective commercial firefighting force

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| within 8 minutes..... | 78%* |
| (21 Firefighters on scene) | |

*National Standard is 90%

Proudly Serving



Fire Stations

| Station | Address | Council District |
|----------------|---------------------------|------------------|
| ARFF (Airport) | 5065 E. Anderson | 4 |
| Station 1 | 1264 N. Jackson | 4 |
| Station 2 | 7114 N. West | 2 |
| Station 3 | 1406 Fresno St. | 3 |
| Station 4 | 3065 E. Iowa | 7 |
| Station 5 | 3131 N. Simpson | 7 |
| Station 6 | 4343 E. Gettysburg | 4 |
| Station 7 | 2571 S. Cherry | 3 |
| Station 8 | 1428 S. Cedar | 5 |
| Station 9 | 2340 N. Vagedes | 1 |
| Station 10 | 5545 Aircorp Way | 4 |
| Station 11 | 5544 N. Fresno | 4 |
| Station 12 | 2874 N. Acacia | 1 |
| Station 13 | 815 E. Nees | 6 |
| Station 14 | 6239 N. Polk | 2 |
| Station 15 | 5630 E. Park Circle | 5 |
| Station 16 | 2510 N. Polk | 3 |
| Station 17 | 10512 N. Maple | 6 |
| Station 18 | 5938 N. LaVentana | 2 |
| Station 19 | 3175 W. Belmont | 3 |
| Station 20 | 4537 N. Wishon (FGFPD)* | |
| Station 21 | 15850 W. Kearney (NCFPD)* | |
| Station 22 | 806 S. Garfield (NCFPD)* | |
| Station 23 | 4555 N. Biola (NCFPD)* | |

*FGFPD=Fig Garden Fire Protection District

*NCFPD=North Central Fire Protection District

Company Responses

Engine Companies

Company Responses

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|-----------|-------|
| E01 | 3,204 |
| E02 | 1,536 |
| E03 | 3,980 |
| E04 | 3,178 |
| E05 | 3,673 |
| E06 | 2,502 |
| E07 | 2,171 |
| E08 | 2,948 |
| E09 | 3,247 |
| E12 | 2,814 |
| E13 | 2,215 |
| E14 | 1,225 |
| E15 | 1,973 |
| E16 | 1,939 |
| E17 | 879 |
| E18 | 884 |
| E19 | 1,127 |
| E20 | 2,155 |
| E21 | 1,654 |
| E22 | 454 |
| E23 | 436 |

Truck Companies

Company Responses

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|-----------|-------|
| T04 | 1,664 |
| T09 | 826 |
| T10 | 1,157 |
| T11 | 2,991 |
| T19 | 1,320 |
| T21 | 307 |

Battalion Chiefs

Unit Responses

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| BC01 | 1,032 |
| BC02 | 919 |
| BC03 | 765 |

Water Tenders

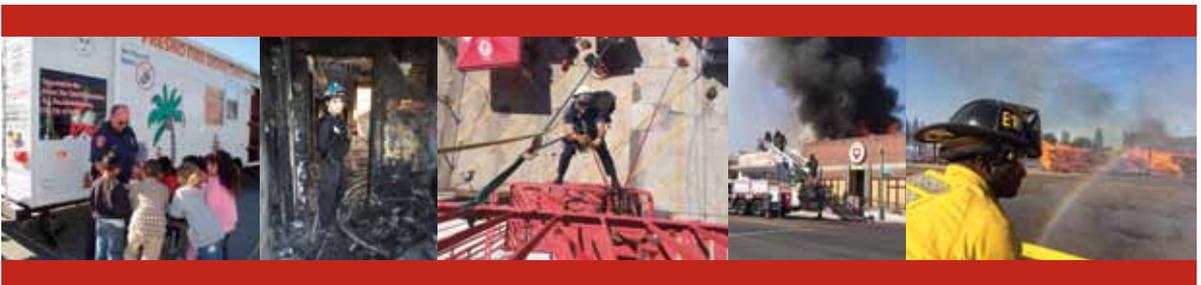
Unit Responses

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| WT03 | 76 |
| WT14 | 79 |
| WT21 | 63 |
| WT23 | 9 |

Special Operations

Unit Responses

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|--------------------|-----|
| Brush Unit 15..... | 20 |
| Brush Unit 19..... | 28 |
| HazMat 01 | 85 |
| HazMat16 | 39 |
| Patrol 02 | 30 |
| Patrol 07 | 16 |
| Rescue 04 | 120 |
| Rescue 204 | 20 |



Community Outreach Programs



The **Fresno Fire Chief's Foundation (FFCF)** is a non-profit organization which partners with the Fresno Fire Department to distribute safety helmets, free of charge,

to any child who needs one. Helmets are stored on Engines and Trucks and at every fire station for distribution. Since the program's inception in 2005, over 10,000 helmets have been distributed to local kids.



The **FFCF** also supports fire safety educational assembly programs for 1st-3rd graders, Firefighters Creating Memories at the Big Fresno Fair, and Champ Camp for burn survivors. To learn more about the FFCF work in the community, go to the website at www.beafirehero.org.



"Firefighter Community Outreach" is a program which encourages our firefighters to seek creative and thoughtful ways to engage our community. Throughout the year we've seen our firefighters

participate in school fire-drills and carnivals; attend farmer's markets, car shows, and block parties; host open-houses at their fire stations; deliver Christmas presents to families in their districts and conduct home fire-safety inspections and install smoke detectors. Our hope is that intentional frequent interaction with the public, beyond emergency incidents, will build positive relationships and promote safer communities.



Captain Escobar gives a safety talk with school children.



Chief Donis welcomes the first Fresno Firefighter Drill School since 2008.



The **Fresno Community Emergency Response Team (CERT)** program trains people to be better prepared to respond to emergencies

in their homes, workplaces, and community. The no-cost training is designed to enhance personal safety and has provided 1,139 individuals with basic emergency response skills, particularly those that would be of value after a disaster. In 2015, CERT volunteers responded to 12 emergency call-outs for commercial and residential fires; and provided 23 days/nights of scheduled firefighter rehab. The volunteers also participated in 10 major community service and public outreach events; and 11 continuing education training courses.



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