



### Events in 2023:

We plan on scheduling community education events in 2023. Please see our webpage for updates.

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# Fairmount Fire Protection District 2022 Annual Report

### Mission:

To provide the highest level of professional services while preserving life, property and the environment by being proactive, progressive and responsive to our communities

### Vision:

To excel in providing professional emergency services through innovation, partnering, responsibility, transparency, and continuous improvement



## Message from the Fire Chief



The one thing in life that seems to be constant is change. As I look back over the last 44 years, there have been many events that have affected and changed the fire service. The events of 9-11 and most recently COVID-19 shaped major changes.

these challenges and take care of our personnel, families, and community. We have adapted, persevered, and become more resilient as an agency.

will go, but one thing is certain, change will inevitably continue to challenge our perceptions, directions, attitudes, and beliefs.

At the end of 2021, we completed a cooperative study with Pleasant View Metropolitan District and Golden Fire Department. The study was favorable to merging the three organizations together. Through multiple discussions, it has been decided to pause while Golden evaluates additional options. In 2022, we continued discussions with the Arvada Fire Protection District, which began originally in 2009, on how to work more efficiently together. Those discussions evolved throughout 2022 and will continue into 2023 with a possible recommendation to consolidate in the future. It is difficult to predict where all of the discussions with area partners

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In each case, we had to adapt to rapidly fluctuating environments and come up with new procedures, equipment, and funding to meet



## Support Services

Over the course of 2022, Fairmount Fire Support Services worked with personnel at all levels to support their needs, streamline business processes, and help them support the needs of the district. Building technologies such as forms, data pipelines, and process automation are just a few examples.

Support Services replaced outdated critical hardware, to ensure that the district maintains effective communication and the timely emergency response that the Fairmount community requires. Station alerting, on premise server, and other network infrastructure hardware and software were replaced or upgraded. In addition, Fairmount continues to embrace cloud computing technologies and solutions that help our crews work more efficiently and better serve the community. Cloud based

technologies, when implemented properly, create cost effective solutions that support the Fairmount continuity of operations plan and the district's privacy and cyber security policies.

Since the implementation of the HAAS Alerting system, over 16,000 drivers have been alerted to emergency vehicles either up ahead or coming behind them. HAAS Alert utilizes mapping applications and technology on some of the 2016 and newer vehicles to display alerts and notify drivers of potential hazards around them.

Cybersecurity is and will continue to be a priority at Fairmount Fire. We look forward to what 2023 brings and will continue to strive to help and support the District and better serve the Fairmount community.

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## Training

Fairmount Fire is comprised of talented life-long learners committed to refining their ability to deliver all-hazards emergency services. Much of this improvement occurred through participation in training. In 2022, 58 members completed in excess of 9000 hours of documented training. FFPD is committed to the personal and professional growth of its firefighters.



Recruitment and retention of district members remained a high-priority. In 2022, numerous recruiting events were conducted to meet potential candidates to recruit into the Fairmount team. A comprehensive review of the recruiting process and volunteer program was conducted. The result was a refinement of our lateral volunteer firefighter program and improvements to the new member training program. The District remains committed to exploring and developing new and creative ways to address the national trend of decreased volunteerism.

Throughout 2022, numerous training opportunities were pursued. Fairmount had subject matter experts teach classes to agencies throughout Colorado as well as numerous monthly training sessions that were provided to our District members and neighboring partner agencies. The benefit of such training is improved relationships, enhanced communication, and equipment familiarization, all which translates to better delivery of emergency services to the communities we serve.

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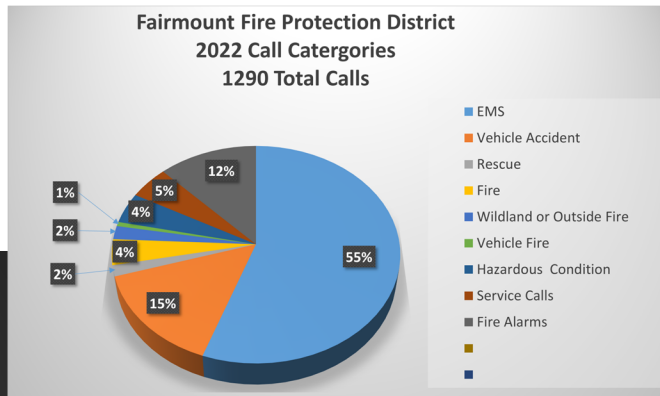
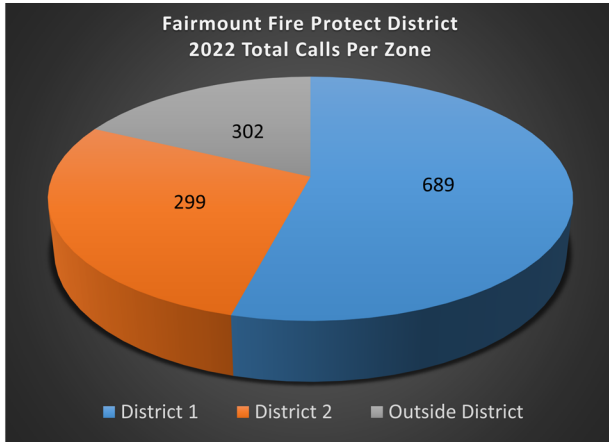
## Operations

In 2022, FFPD was staffed with 58 personnel. This team logged over nine thousand hours of training and numerous strategic meetings in preparing themselves to provide the highest quality of service for businesses and residences.

The District met 24/7 minimum staffing requirements of three personnel on both Truck 31 and Engine 32, along with a Battalion Chief that responds from station 31. Reserve and shift volunteers often filled the fourth seat on each apparatus allowing the District to be staffed with a four person engine company and truck company.

## Operations (continued)

FFPD assisted numerous regional partners with mutual aid or auto aid for 302 incidents. These incidents consisted of structure fires, wildland fires, specialized rescues, EMS and motor vehicle accidents. This cooperative interagency working relationship provides high quality specialized resources to resolve emergencies within all of our communities.



In 2022, the process of researching options for a replacement of Engine 34 (E34) was initiated. E34 is a Type-3 combination wildland and structure firefighting apparatus that provides fire suppression capabilities within the District as well as on regional and national deployments when fire severity conditions threaten other communities. It is anticipated that recommendations for this vehicle replacement will be finalized by the spring of 2023.



**Wildland** Ten firefighters graduated from the FFPD Wildland Fire Academy. Firefighters also attended classes and acquired advanced certifications at the Colorado Wildfire and Incident Management Academy. Personnel also served on the Jefferson County / Colorado Team I All-Hazards Incident Management Team.



2022 was a less active wildland fire season locally. Our firefighters and apparatus responded to wildland fires elsewhere in Colorado and eleven personnel deployed to wildland fires in Nebraska and Texas. These deployments continue to provide our personnel with valuable experience that better prepares them to safely and efficiently manage wildland fires within our fire district and neighboring agencies within Jefferson County.

Twenty-four supplemental emergency responders on the **Fairmount Incident ResponsE (F.I.R.E.) Team** were deployed to assist with response efforts on 100 incidents in eleven different states. Several of these individuals also donated their time and expertise to assist with projects for the FFPD.



## Emergency Medical Services (EMS)

FFPD responded to approximately 900 incidents requiring medical care during 2022. For each of those medical calls, compassionate care and treatment was provided by firefighters certified at the EMT or Paramedic level. FFPD ensured each of those responders was prepared to deliver

exceptional patient care by providing frequent medical training and conducting evaluations of its providers.

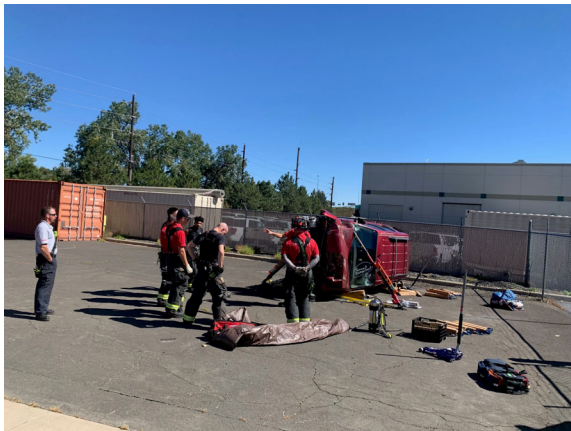
The EMS Division reviewed all EMS training records and patient care reports, communicated training information to state and federal agencies for compliance purposes, and ensured each medical call was evaluated through a quality assurance process conducted under the guidance of FFPD’s medical director.

Throughout 2022, updates were made to FFPD’s medical protocols. These protocols were developed and approved by emergency medical physicians from

the Denver metro region. Updates to the protocols occurred twice during 2022.

2022 was a year of continued partnerships and enhanced interagency cooperation. Stadium Medical, a third-party ambulance service, supports FFPD’s mission by staffing three ambulances, 24/7, for response within the FFPD. This partnership has enhanced FFPD’s ability to provide exceptional and timely medical care to our residents.

While COVID-19 presented challenges to delivering medical services, regular communications with local, state, and national public health organizations ensured FFPD was prepared to safely serve those in need.



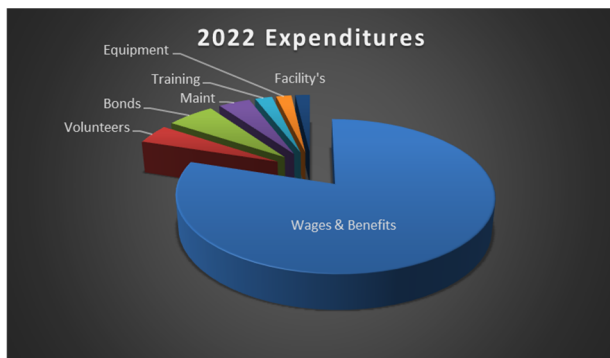
## Financial

In 2022, the Fairmount Fire Protection District maintained a stable and balanced financial condition while continuing to provide professional fire protection and emergency services.

The 2021 Certification of Valuation from the County was lower than the evaluation for 2021. Part of the reduction was the result of one of the major businesses in the area abating portions of their property as they construct new facilities. Once the upgraded facilities are complete (2024) the District should see additional tax



revenue. Also, a major commercial area is excluding from the District, resulting in approximately a 1.5 million dollar loss over the next three years. With additional construction within the District, the budget should stabilize in 2025.



The District made the final payment on the General Obligation Bond Series that was originally issued in June 2006 and Refinanced in October 2017. This reduced the overall mill levy by approximately one mill. This did not affect the general fund as these funds were restricted to the payment of the bonds.

## Fire and Life Safety

Fire and Life Safety personnel strive to provide residents and businesses within the fire district the most updated safety information and educational opportunities available.

The goal is to protect life and property from loss or damage due to fire emergencies. The division provides community education, business education, business inspections, code enforcement and detailed plan review which has proven to be the most effective way to reduce loss of life and property.

In 2022, we reached out to several schools, communities, and businesses to provide education regarding escape routes, fire extinguisher training, wildfire mitigation, and fire alarm installations. Jefferson County along with Fairmount Fire and other agencies began using a new community emergency notification system called LookOut Alert. Since the devastating Marshal fire in 2021 in Boulder County, we have dedicated a larger portion of our outreach to involve education regarding wildfire mitigation to community neighborhoods and individual homeowners.



### Community Risk Reduction Totals for 2022:

Plan Reviews/Permits = 33

New construction Code Compliance Inspections = 52

Existing Building Code Compliance Inspections = 327

Fire Loss = \$901,000

Public Education & Community Event Contacts = 2,880



Molson Coors G-150 Project

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Our Webpage:

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## How to contact Fairmount Fire:

### Administration

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### Station 31

4755 Isabell Street  
Golden, CO 80403

### Station 32

18208 W. 58th Drive  
Golden, CO 80403

### Station 33

12901 W. 43rd Drive  
Wheat Ridge, Co 80033

### Training Center

Highway 93,  
Unincorporated Jefferson  
County

## Who to Contact:

**Fire Chief:**  
Alan F. Fletcher

**Fire Marshal:**  
Robert Ipatenco

**OPS / Training / EMS Chief:**  
Erik Lugenbill

**Planning / Risk Mgmt. Chief:**  
Joe Snyder

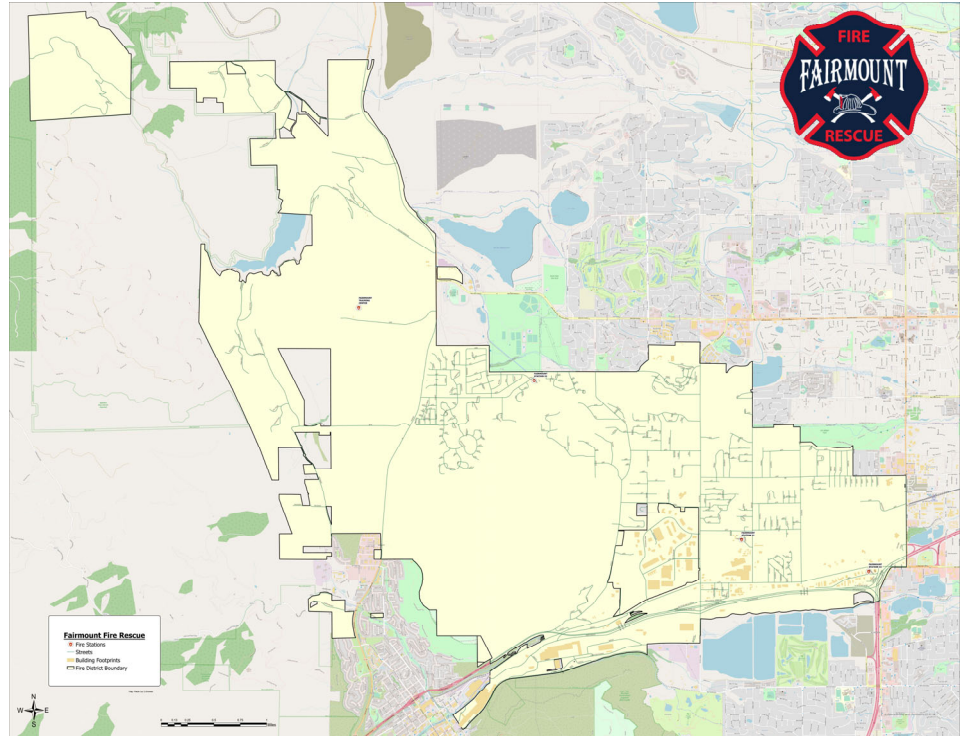
**Administration:**  
Savannah Salazar

**Deployment Billing:**  
Nicole Rendon

**Training Captain:**  
Dave Gerald

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Brycen Hammer

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The District is governed by a board of directors which, pursuant to the Special District Act, consists of five members. The members must be electors of the District as defined by state law and are elected to staggered four year terms of office at successive biennial elections.

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