

EMS Levy Renewal 2022

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What We Do



- ❖ Fire suppression
- ❖ Emergency Medical Services
 - ❖ Advanced Life Support (ALS)
 - ❖ Basic Life Support (BLS)
- ❖ Fire prevention
- ❖ Public education
- ❖ Technical rescue
- ❖ Hazardous materials incident response



Transparent and Accountable to Taxpayers



- ❖ We operate under a balanced budget
- ❖ We are proud to be debt free
- ❖ We have passed all independent audits by the State



EMS in Our Community



- ❖ Most widely-used emergency service
- ❖ 87% of our calls in 2021

FIRE AND EMS CALLS FOR SERVICE



Why do so many respond when you call 911? Medical emergencies can be labor intensive.



1 Company Officer: Gathers facts about what led up to the event. Investigates the patient's past medical history and prescription medications. Explains what is going on and possible outcomes. Helps family members with their immediate needs.

2 Firefighter-Paramedic: In charge of patient care. Delegates assignments to crewmembers. Attaches patient to the defibrillator, interprets EKG reading and administers electrical shock when indicated. Obtains patients vital signs.

3 Firefighter-Paramedic: Secures and maintains patient's airway. Provides supplemental Oxygen via bag-valve-mask and ventilates the patient if they have stopped breathing.

4 Firefighter-Paramedic: Establishes a drug administration route using the latest technology in bone drilling. Administers cardiac medications specific to the cardiac rhythm.

5 Firefighter-EMT: Provides chest compressions (CPR) at 110 per minute. Compressions must be uninterrupted to ensure brain and tissue perfusion.

6 Firefighter-EMT: Relief for the member performing CPR. The latest evidence shows the person performing chest compressions must be rotated every 2 minutes for the patient to have the greatest chance for survival.

7 Firefighter-Paramedic: Prepares medication for administration to the patient. In direct contact with hospital emergency room providing patient status.



How Are We Funded



- ❖ Daily operations are funded through two levies.
 - ❖ Paid through property taxes
 - ❖ Amounts are capped at the voter-approved rates
 - ❖ \$1.50 for Fire (per \$1,000 of assessed property value)
 - ❖ \$0.50 for EMS (per \$1,000 of assessed property value)
- ❖ Over time these levy rates fall as property values rise to limit the Fire District to the same amount of revenue per year (plus a one percent increase allowed by law).
- ❖ At times we ask our community for a renewal to restore levy amounts to their original level—this helps us to keep up with higher call volume and costs.

EMS Levy Renewal



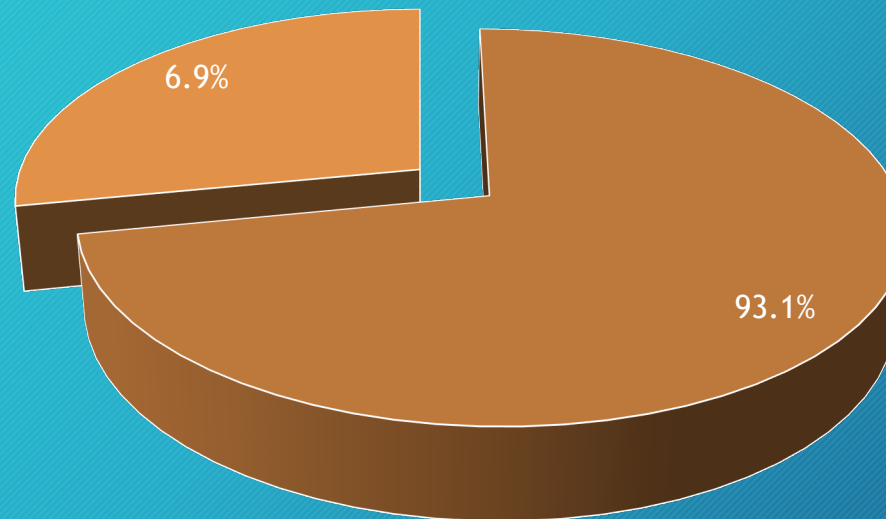
- ❖ Allows us continue providing:
 - ❖ Basic Life Support with Firefighter/EMT's
 - ❖ Advanced Life Support with Paramedics
- ❖ Funds are used for:
 - ❖ Emergency personnel
 - ❖ Training and certifications
 - ❖ Maintenance
 - ❖ Medical equipment
 - ❖ First aid supplies
 - ❖ Equipment replacement



Budget: Revenues



2021 EMS Operating Budget:
\$4,090,358.95

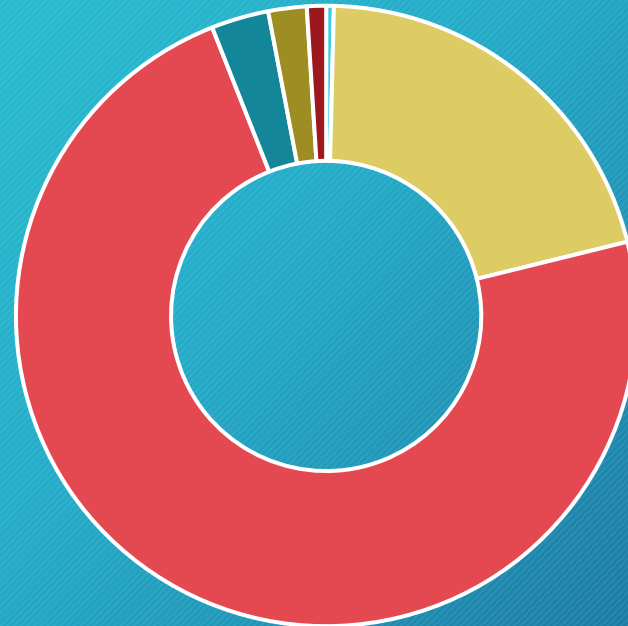


■ EMS Levy ■ Other*

Budget: Expenditures



2021 EMS Operating Expenditures:
\$4,106,212.37



■ TRAINING ■ PERSONNEL BENEFITS ■ SALARIES ■ SUPPLIES ■ SERVICES ■ CAPITAL ■

What Would This Cost?

- ❖ If approved by voters, the EMS levy would continue funding at \$0.45 cents per \$1,000 of assessed property value of your home
- ❖ The owner of a \$400,000 home would pay \$180 per year for 24-hour Paramedic response



**\$400,000 Home
=\$15 per month**

Questions? Comments?



If you have questions, comments or concerns about anything you've seen or heard about the upcoming EMS Levy Renewal we would appreciate an opportunity to talk to you.

Please feel free to call our us anytime during business hours.

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