



SIERRA MADRE FIRE DEPARTMENT 2021 ANNUAL REPORT



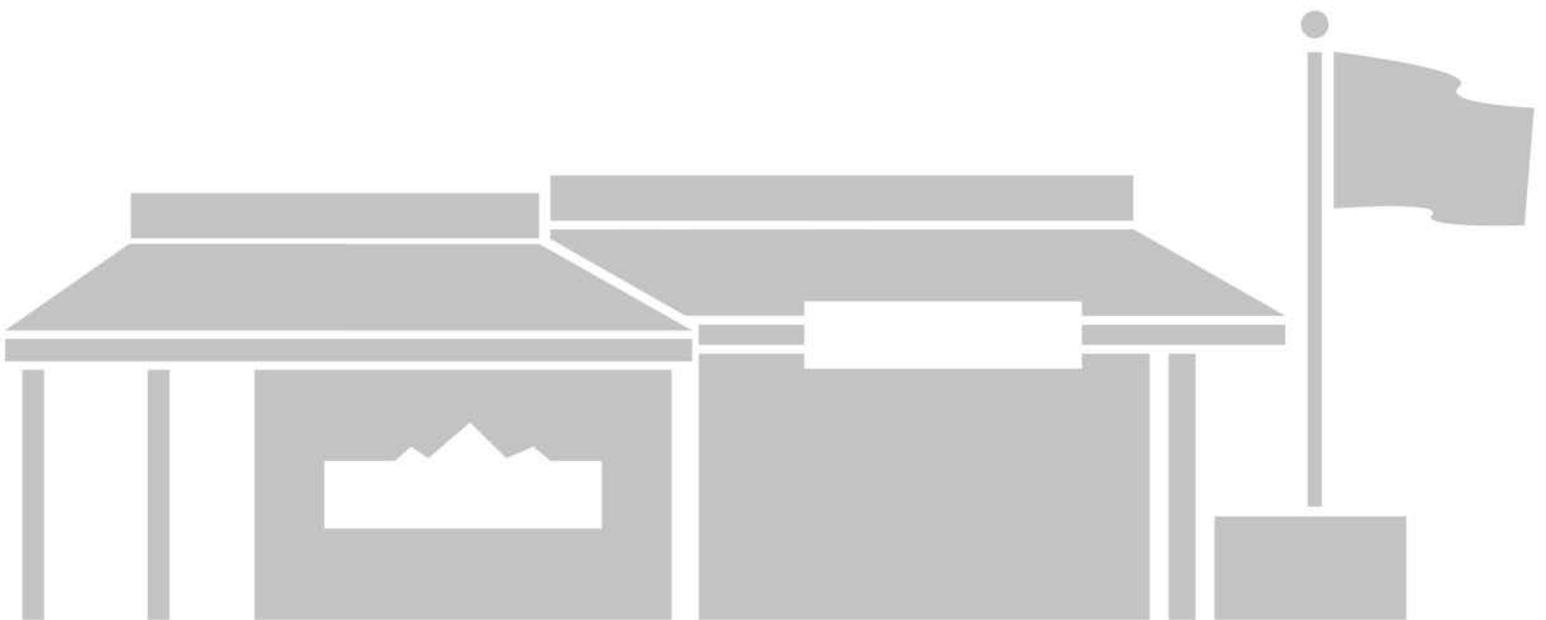


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Chiefs Message



With appreciation, I have the opportunity to represent the fantastic men and women of the Sierra Madre Fire Department, and it is my pleasure to present the 2021 Annual Report. This report shall serve as a chronicle for this past year's achievements, of which there were many. Your firefighters worked arduously to ensure outstanding steadfast service in faithfulness to our wonderful community throughout the year.

This past year was an amazing year of growth for your fire department, resulting from tremendous support from our community, City Council, and City Manager's Office. This year, we were able to upgrade the vehicle fleet by replacing the aging apparatus with a new rescue ambulance and a new fire engine. The investment in this equipment will provide the latest advancements in personnel safety and safeguard our ability to deliver efficient and effective service. We also partnered with CalOES as a statewide mutual-aid provider when we received our state-owned Type VI fire engine.

As a result of our Vision Statement, your fire department has enriched its community outreach and education with additional programming, including; the Sierra Madre Fire Department's Fire Hazard and Fuel Reduction Program; the "Sierra Madre Achieves Resiliency Together" S.M.A.R.T. Chipper and Green Waste Days, and free EMS Community Classes.

In gratitude for your support, we vow to maintain the mission of the Sierra Madre Fire Department, committed to protecting life, property, and our environment through compassionate service. Thank you, everyone, for the opportunity to carry out this mission.

With True Regards,

Fire Chief Brent Bartlett



Mission

The Sierra Madre Fire Department is committed to protecting life, property, and our environment through compassionate service.

Vision

The Sierra Madre Fire Department is dedicated to remaining a progressive, cost-effective, and innovative fire department that ensures a safe and inclusive environment for our community through exceptional customer service.

Values

Honor – adhering to the highest standard, both morally and ethically.

Integrity – based on trust and accountability through service.

Compassion – treating everyone with kindness and empathy.

Respect – to self and community, maintaining a department of teamwork and growth.



Celebrating 100 Years of Service



This year marked the 100-year anniversary of the Sierra Madre Bakery Fire. The fire, which took place on January 21st, 1921, began when a defective flue sparked a devastating fire in the Sierra Madre Bakery located on Windsor Lane.



At the time, no organized Fire Department existed within the City of Sierra Madre, and residents relied on the assistance of neighboring Fire Departments. On the morning of January 21st, neighboring agencies responded to the call for aid but were unable to arrive promptly. Seeing the need and importance for a local fire agency, residents of Sierra Madre organized the first Volunteer Fire Department on June 16th, 1921.

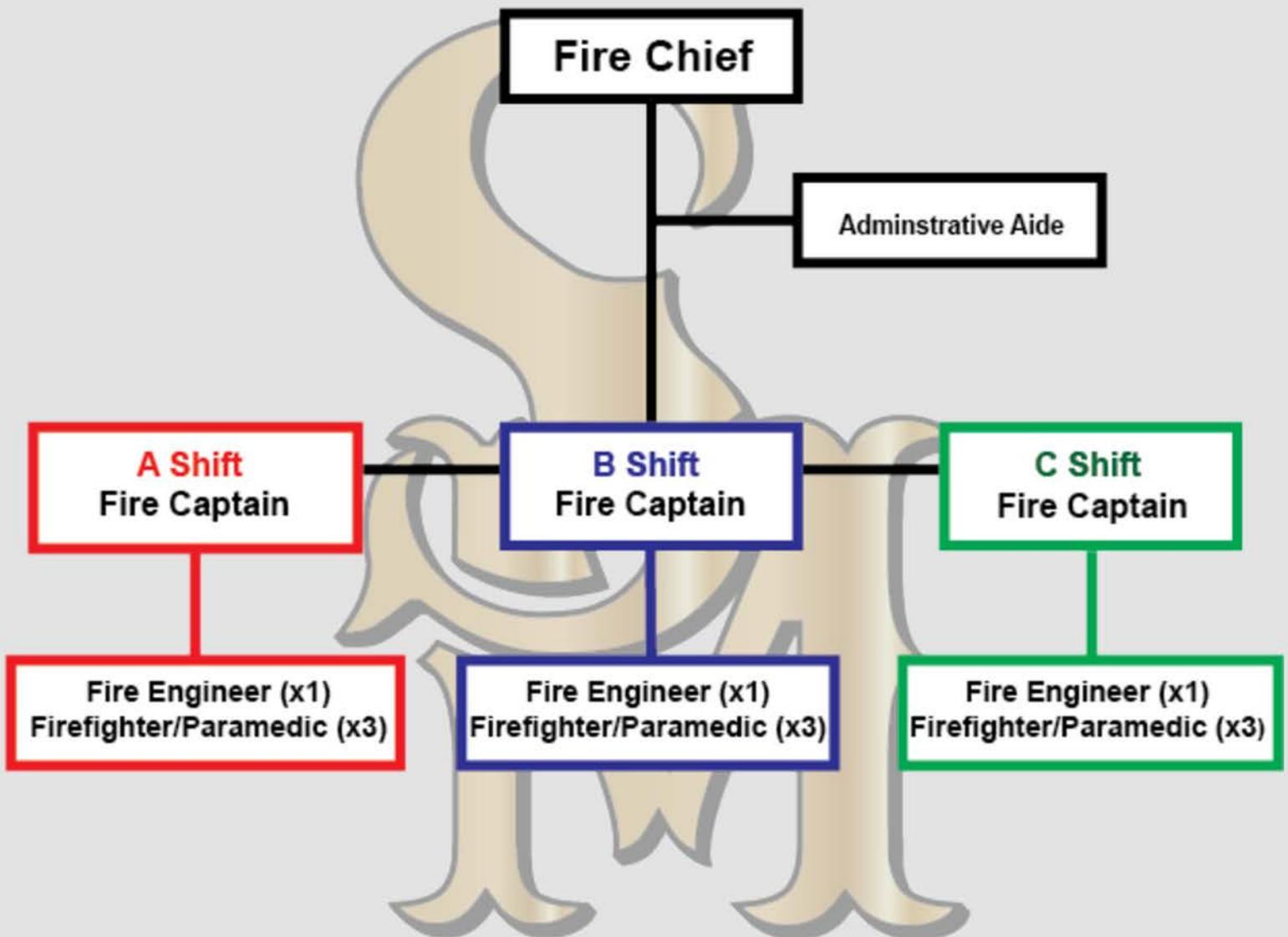


September 1, 2019, marked the day the Sierra Madre Fire Department transitioned to a Full-Time/Career Department. As a result of the transition, on July 1, 2020, the Department was fully accepted into Area C Unified Response. This milestone in the department's history now expands the amount and availability of personnel, as well as, equipment from twelve additional departments that can be used daily for assistance, and without delay. We are pleased to be part of such a valued resource to our residents, businesses, and visitors.



Department Overview

The Sierra Madre Fire Department Station 41, located at 242 W Sierra Madre Blvd, proudly protects those residing, working and visiting the City of Sierra Madre from its central location in downtown. The Department services a primarily residential area of 3.2 square miles with a wildland/urban interface to more than 11,000 residents. The Department is divided into 5 divisions: Administration, Operations, Emergency Medical Services, Training, and Prevention.





BUDGET
\$2,360,200



INCIDENTS
1,125



POPULATION
11,013



PERSONNEL
18



TRAINING HOURS
2,541



INSPECTIONS
1,825

Operations



The Sierra Madre Fire Department is comprised of 17 full-time personnel: 1 fire chief, 1 administrative aide, 3 fire captains, 3 engineers, and 9 firefighter paramedics. The department operates on a 3 platoon, 48/96 schedule. Each platoon works a consecutive 48-hour shift every 4 days. Battalion Chief coverage, for larger incidents, is provided by a contract agreement for incident management by the City of Arcadia. In 2021 the department ran a total of 1,125 calls.



State Mutual Aid

Beckwourth Complex Fire:

213 Hours

\$35,299

Caldor Fire:

392 Hours

\$50,780

Emigrant Fire:

50 Hours

\$6,997

KNP Complex Fire:

269 Hours

\$44,466

Windy Fire:

344 Hours

\$44,562

\$182,107 Total Reimbursement from the State of California





Cal OES Type VI Fire Engine



In 2021, the Sierra Madre Fire Department took receipt of a new Type VI fire engine provided by the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES). The City of Sierra Madre and Cal OES entered into a contractual agreement allowing for the use of the Type VI fire engine for mutual aid responses, local fires, training, and other local, state, and federal needs. In return the Sierra Madre Fire Department will deploy 3 personnel on the engine to any emergency when requested by the state.

Type VI fire engines, just like ours, are strategically placed throughout the state ready to respond and be staffed with local government firefighters. Type VI fire engines are widely used in the wildland urban interface due to their off-road abilities, fire suppression capabilities, versatility, and maneuverability. The Type VI fire engine will be extremely beneficial to the City of Sierra Madre and its large wildland urban interface response area.

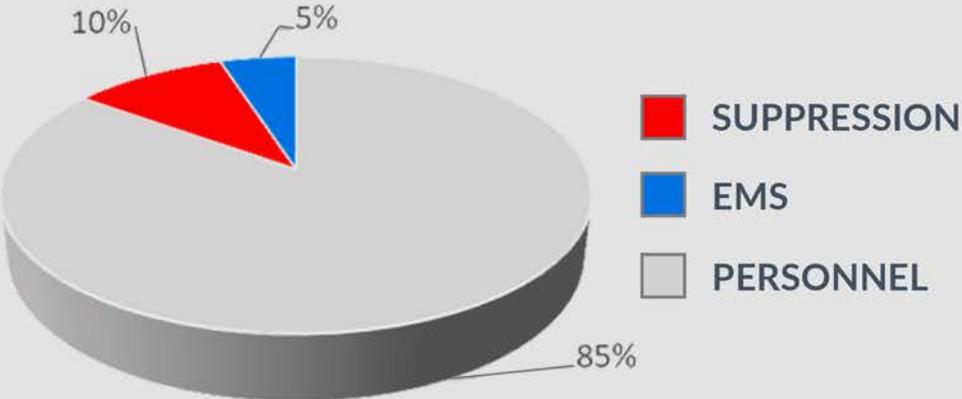




Administration

The Administration Division oversees the strategic planning, policies, procedures, rules and regulations within the Fire Department, including fire suppression, emergency medical services, prevention activities, and public information. This division supervises department staff, coordinates activities with other departments, and is responsible for the completion of highly complex assignments, as well as staff assistance to the City Manager and City Council. Administration works together as a team, with each division of the department, in order to provide the highest level of service with the resources available.

FY 2021-2022 Budget Summary



Cost Recovery Summary



Fire Prevention



The Fire Prevention Division is responsible for safeguarding the community through adherence to fire regulations and hazard mitigation. Annual visits and fire safety inspections are conducted in businesses, apartment buildings, childcare facilities and schools.



1,576
Brush Abatement Inspections



137
Multi-Residential Inspections



8
School & Church Inspections



64
Commercial Assembly Inspections



40
Fire Sprinkler Inspections

1,825 TOTAL INSPECTIONS



The Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund Sierra Madre Fire Hazard Reduction & Habitat Restoration Project

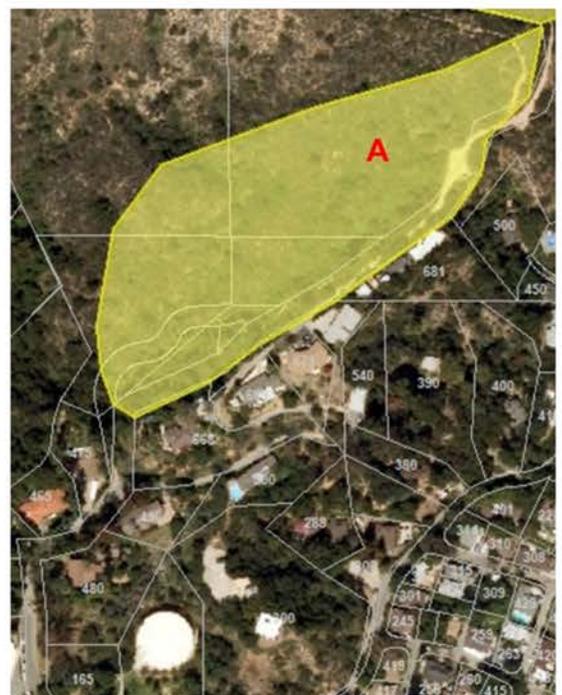
In 2021, The City of Sierra Madre partnered with the California Conservation Corps to participate in a Fire Hazard Reduction & Habitat Restoration project funded by the State Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund (GGRF). The GGRF Sierra Madre Fire Hazard Reduction & Habitat Restoration Project was designed to reduce Greenhouse Gases and mitigate the wildfire hazards threatening the homes and population of Sierra Madre.

\$387,465
Total In-Kind
Funding Received

11,922
Total Person-
Hours Completed

20
Total Acres of
Hazard Mitigation

5
Total CCC
Crews Assigned







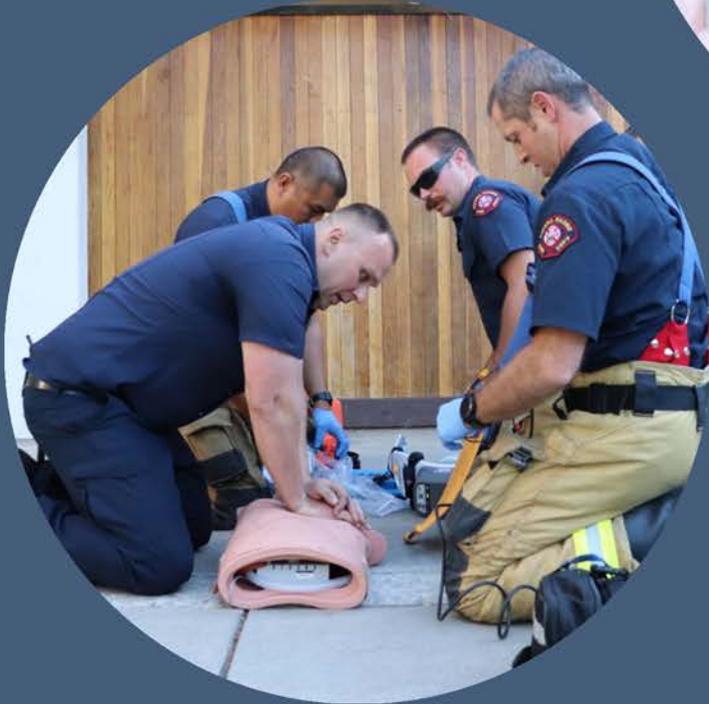
Emergency Medical Services

The Sierra Madre Fire Department Emergency Medical Division manages the delivery of medical services by all department Paramedics and Emergency Medical Technicians. The department is comprised of 13 Firefighter Paramedics and 2 Firefighter EMT's that respond 24 hours a day, 7 days a week to all calls for service in Sierra Madre. The EMS division is dedicated to providing exemplary out-of-hospital care to patients suffering from illness and/or injury. Every medical response has, at minimum, 3 Paramedics able to treat at hospital level care in the field and transport to appropriate facilities as needed. In 2021, there were 699 EMS calls, accounting for 61% of all service calls.



In 2021, the EMS Division was recognized by the American Heart Association and American Stroke Association for meeting the latest research-based standards for resuscitation care with a Get With The Guidelines Achievement Award.

The participation in Get With The Guidelines® Mission: Lifeline® demonstrates the department's commitment to quality care. The Sierra Madre Fire Department is proud to be a part of the American Heart Association's efforts to turn guidelines into lifelines.



EMS Quarterly Community Classes

The EMS division began providing quarterly educational community classes in 2021 with the hope to close the gap in treatment from 911 call time to Paramedic on-scene time. Classes are held on a quarterly base and touch on emergency topics that would benefit from immediate treatment by the community. By educating the community on how to treat life threatening emergencies, we hope to increase survival rates for our citizens. Our first class was held in October at Memorial Park and was free to all residents. The topic consisted of Hands-only CPR and even included a reenactment of how fire personnel respond from the station through the entirety of a cardiac arrest call. Residents were able to learn lifesaving skills with firefighters and build confidence in helping in emergencies. Future classes are to include stop the bleed, burns, and heat related emergencies.

2021 Road Rescue Ambulance



In 2021, the Sierra Madre Fire Department took ownership of a new Road Rescue Ambulance. The EMS division worked closely with Emergency Vehicle Group to build a custom 2021 Road Rescue patient compartment on top of a Dodge 4500 cummings chassis. The new larger patient compartment, provides ample space for the treatment of patients, extended room for more personnel, and allows for sufficient stocking of supplies and equipment used in critical patient care. The vehicle also provides Paramedics with new seat belt technology that allows them to be secured in the vehicle while still being able to provide exemplary patient care. Additionally, Liquid Spring suspension allows for a more comfortable ride for our firefighters and most importantly, our patients. The new Rescue Ambulance took roughly one year to design and manufacture. It currently serves as the department's frontline ambulance, responding to all medical and fire calls in Sierra Madre.



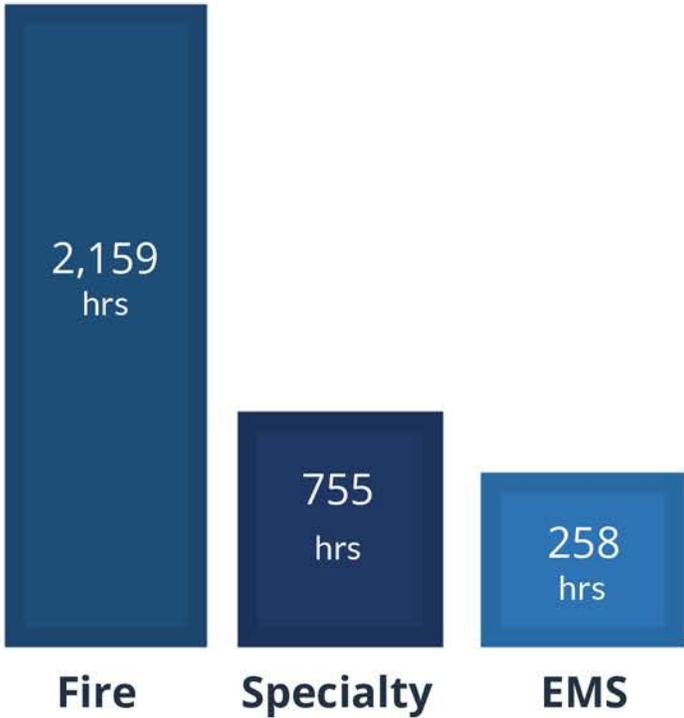
Training

The Training Division is dedicated to training, enhancing, and preparing our firefighters to provide excellent service while meeting local, state, and federal mandates.

Due to restrictions and abundance of caution throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, the Training Division had to modify training services to meet CDC Guidelines. Through creative design, training was pivoted to performing safe Company Drills amongst crews, as well as classroom based training for the department as a whole. In 2021, the SMFD completed 3,172 hours of on-duty training.

The Training Division also made significant progress in other areas of service, such as revising policies to align with industry standards, collaborating with Rio Hondo College on an Instructional Service Agreement (ISA), developing a Fire Academy Sponsorship Program for individuals interested in becoming Firefighters, and professionally developing its internal members to complete Acting Engineer and Captain Task Books.

2021 Training Breakdown
3,172 Total Hours







Community Engagement









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