



**TUALATIN VALLEY FIRE & RESCUE**  
**2003 - 2004**  
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Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue was formed in November of 1988 by the legal merger of Washington County Fire District No. 1 and Tualatin Rural Fire Protection District. It is Oregon's largest fire district and the state's second largest fire service organization. The District is governed by an elected Board of Directors that meets once a month at the Administration Office located at 20665 SW Blanton Street in Aloha, Oregon 97007.

**BOARD OF  
DIRECTORS**

Larry Goff, President                      Clark Balfour, Vice President  
 Robert Wyffels, Sec-Treasurer      Carol Gearin, Member                      Brian Clopton, Member

**FIRE CHIEF**

Jeffrey D. Johnson

**POPULATION &  
SERVICE AREA**

Approximately 400,000 citizens in 210 square miles.

The Fire District serves the cities of Beaverton, Durham, King City, Sherwood, Rivergrove, Tigard, Tualatin, Wilsonville, and portions of Clackamas, Multnomah, and Washington Counties. In addition, the Fire District is contracted to provide fire and medical services to the city of West Linn.

**STATIONS &  
STAFFING**

Nineteen (19) career and three (3) volunteer stations are strategically located throughout the District. The District has an Administration Office; two Division Offices each staffed with a Division Chief, Assistant Fire Marshal, Deputy Fire Marshals, Administrative Assistants, and a Community Liaison; two training facilities; and a complete fleet maintenance shop.

**Personnel**

Career Firefighters / Paramedics.....	300
Volunteer Firefighters / Paramedics .....	84
Fire Prevention / Community Services /}	
Emergency Management}.....	24
Administration, Support Services .....	53.75
Training .....	20
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>397.75</b>

**Apparatus**

Engines	36 (21 front line, 6 volunteer, 6 reserve, 3 training)
Trucks	4 (2 front line, 2 reserve)
Water Tenders.....	8
Brush Units (wildland) .....	10
Rescue/Squad .....	8
Miscellaneous.....	4
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>70</b>

The firefighters and paramedics of Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue are trained and prepared for all types of emergencies. In addition to responding to fires, the District provides the highest quality emergency medical services (EMS) with firefighters certified as paramedics and basic level emergency medical technicians (EMTs). The Fire District also has specialty teams for emergencies requiring special skills and equipment. The **Hazardous Materials Regional Response Team** responds to incidents involving chemical leaks or hazardous spills, while the **Water Rescue Team** is available 24-hours a day for boating accidents, flooding incidents, or other situations on nearby rivers or lakes. For life-threatening emergencies such as cave-ins, building collapses, or emergencies with trapped victims, the District relies on its **Technical Rescue Team**. Cross-training firefighters to perform a variety of services, such as EMS and specialty rescue, provides the greatest possible return on the taxpayers' investment.

**2002 EMERGENCY RESPONSE**

**Dispatched Incidents**

Fire.....	5,239
Medical Incidents.....	22,505
Hazardous Conditions.....	637
Public Service.....	2,883
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>31,264</b>

**ASSESSED VALUATION**

\$27,652,827,194 (2003-2004)

**ANNUAL BUDGET**

\$67.6 million

**TAX RATE**

\$1.83 per \$1,000 of Assessed Value

**COMMUNITY PROGRAMS**

**Community Assistance Program** – The District recognizes that sometimes individuals have needs outside of a fire or medical nature. Firefighters are authorized to spend up to \$100 to assist a citizen or family in need. Assistance may include groceries or infant supplies, taxicab fare for the spouse of a transported patient, a space heater for an elderly citizen, etc. The program is 100% supported by community and employee donations. In addition, District Chaplains may act as post-incident counselors to guide families through the difficult, and often emotional, aftermath of an incident.

**CPR / First Aid Instruction** – Firefighters trained as instructors are available to certify employees or citizens in American Heart Association Heartsaver CPR (Adult and Pediatric), Heartsaver AED and Healthcare Provider or Medic First Aid (Adult and Pediatric). The District also hosts **CPR Saturday**, a day of free CPR training, held each spring in cooperation with local high-school students.

**Education Programs** – Deputy Fire Marshals and Community Services staff provide fire and life safety education to the local community. Presentations are provided on topics including home fire safety, child safety seats, and disaster preparedness. In addition, corporate partnerships also provide the District with funding for safety campaigns using television, radio, and newspaper advertisements, public transportation signage, and printed handout materials.

**Juvenile Firesetter Intervention** – Fires set by curious or angry children continue to be a national problem. Trained Deputy Fire Marshals interview juvenile firesetters and, if necessary, make referrals to local counseling and/or social service resources.

**Residential Smoke Alarm Program** – The goal of this program is to have a **working** smoke alarm in every home within the Fire District. Smoke alarms and batteries are provided at no cost to residents in need. Smoke alarms for the hearing-impaired are also available to limited-income, hearing-impaired persons through a partnership with the firefighters’ union, Tualatin Valley Professional Fire Fighters (IAFF Local 1660).

**“Safety Matters” Newsletter** – Valuable safety tips and current Fire District issues are featured in this annual newsletter distributed to over 180,000 homes throughout the District.

**Toy & Joy** - Each year TVF&R employees and volunteers join with citizens, businesses, and local non-profit agencies to collect and distribute toys to less-fortunate children. Last year the District assisted thousands of disadvantaged youth during the holidays.

**EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**

The Office of Consolidated Emergency Management (OCEM) for Washington County is housed at the District Administration Complex and includes the Emergency Managers of Beaverton, Hillsboro, Washington County, and Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue. Together they formulate integrated and comprehensive plans for local and regional disaster response, preparedness, and recovery. Education regarding flooding, earthquake, and other disasters is available for schools and community groups. Assistance is also available for businesses developing emergency plans for their facilities.