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Humboldt Bay Fire

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Humboldt Bay Fire Joint Powers Authority provides service to approximately 56,000 residents within the City of Eureka and the Greater Eureka Area. We are an all-risk fire department that responds to a wide variety of emergencies. Humboldt Bay Fire continues to expand its level of medical care from BLS to ALS at three of our five stations. In addition to responses for service, Humboldt Bay Fire offers a wide range of public education programs, including CPR and First Aid classes, school presentations, disaster preparedness, fire extinguisher training, in-home safety inspections and an annual Fire Prevention Open House. Humboldt Bay Fire inspects properties and businesses annually to ensure fire and life safety, and also reviews and approves plans for new construction or remodeling that occurs within our jurisdiction. Apparatus used include five Type 1 fire engines, two Type 3 fire engines, two ladder trucks, one medium duty rescue squad, one 2,000 gallon water tender, one hazardous materials response unit, one Urban Search & Rescue (USAR) truck, and a California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (Cal-OES) USAR Trailer.

Challenges & Needs:

Due to budget cuts, Humboldt Bay Fire has seen and met challenges in continuing to staff five full time units available for response within our jurisdiction. In order to solve these staffing issues, we would require monetary assistance in meeting our requirements to continue offering safe and effective emergency response capabilities at the level to which our citizens have become accustomed. Additionally, due to the budget cuts, many equipment items have suffered deferred maintenance which also presents challenges in service delivery. Again, funding to assist in meeting our department's capital needs is crucial.

Incident Responses							
Veg. Fires	Struct. Fires	Other Fires	Veh. Acc.	Medicals	Haz/Menace	Public Assists	Other Services
52	89	124	108	3,454	48	-	2,129
Total Responses						6,004	
Volunteer Hours				Personnel			
Incident	Training	Maintenance	Fundraising	Volunteer	Auxiliary	Career	
500	425	N/A	N/A	5	0	59	

Samoa Peninsula Volunteer Fire Department

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Captain: Troy Smith

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The Samoa Volunteer Fire Department is an all-volunteer department that provides fire and emergency medical services to the Samoa Peninsula Fire Protection District (SPFPD). The SPFPD provides services to the communities of Samoa, Fairhaven, and Finntown, as well as a K-8 grade school, the Samoa Cookhouse, DG Fairhaven Power, an airport, a Coast Guard base, a county RV campground, a light industrial business park, and over 6 miles of recreational beach.

Our apparatus includes a 8614- 2004 Pierce Type 1, a 8623- 1981 Ford C8000 Type 2, a 8632- 1989 International Type 3, a 8646- 2002 Ford f350, and a 8671- 1996 Toyota 4x4.

Challenges & Needs:

With declining industry on the peninsula it has been increasingly difficult for our district to keep up with basic firefighting equipment. This year measure Z provided us with new apparatus radios and two new sets of turnouts for volunteers who were wearing gear from the 1990's.

Incident Responses							
Veg. Fires	Struct. Fires	Other Fires	Veh. Acc.	Medicals	Haz/ Menace	Public Assists	Other Services
9	3	25	6	58	8	5	22
Total Responses							136
Volunteer Hours				Personnel			
Incident	Training	Maintenance	Fundraising	Volunteer		Auxiliary	
256	3485	1,000+	1,350	16		1	