A MESSAGE FROM
YOUR NAPA FIRE CHIEF

I am pleased to present our 2022 Annual Report on behalf of the Napa Fire Department. 2022 presented some interesting dichotomies for our city and our department. Thankfully in many ways our operations have resumed some sense of normalcy. While COVID, the flu and other viruses continue to have an effect on our community, we have been able to resume many of our normal “pre-Covid” activities, including our school visits and our annual “Fire & Life Safety Day” in October. On the other hand, we experienced a significant increase in our calls for service and responded to over 11,000 emergencies – resulting in 13,912 total apparatus responses.

Each one of those emergency events results in hardship and heartbreak for someone in our community. However, I have also witnessed our community, our city team, and our fire department band together and find ways to continue to collaborate and to compassionately serve each other. I am so very grateful to our community and business partners and our fire department personnel for demonstrating the very best Napa has to offer. We truly serve you “from the heart”.

This year, Napa Fire Department was focused on improving our internal processes and programs, training our workforce and future leaders, and examining our internal systems in order to continue providing excellent service to our community. We were able to recruit and train an additional firefighter/paramedic and an additional fire inspector, continue our workforce development training, develop new internal efficiencies, further refine our finance, fleet and facilities processes, and begin a long-term department policy improvement program. In addition, we continue to invest in our health & wellness programs, including supporting personnel with first responder resiliency training. Finally, we were also able to perform a considerable amount of work into a “Organizational and Operational Analysis” project with the goal of learning additional ways in which we can improve our services to our Napa community.

2022 has again proved that your Napa Firefighters, Paramedics, and Fire Prevention teams are here to serve you and are dedicated to finding ways to enhance and improve that service. It is that drive for excellent service and constant learning that makes our department so great.

To our Napa community and to our Operations and Fire Prevention teams, thank you.

Zach Curren
Fire Chief
VISION STATEMENT
The Vision of the Napa Fire Department is to be an Organization That:

- Is recognized for delivering excellence in Fire-Rescue Emergency services and Community Risk Reduction through best practices;

- Is dynamic, diverse, and proactively collaborates with others to meet the changing needs of our community;

- Consistently demonstrates our core values;

- Utilizes data, technology, and streamlined processes for greater efficiencies; and

- Is dedicated to the professional development of our members

MISSION STATEMENT
"Always Here, Always Ready, Serving You With Pride and Excellence"

CORE VALUES
- Knowledge
- Responsibility
- Integrity
- Service
- Professionalism
- Cooperation
**POPULATION:**
Napa City - 78,818
Napa County - 136,207

**JURISDICTION:**
Residential - 57.64%
Commercial - 18.02%
Industrial - 4.3%
Open Land* - 20.04%
*Includes Parks, Agricultural, and Vacant Parcels

**IN SERVICE:**
4 Engine Companies
1 Truck Company
1 Squad Company
1 Battalion Chief

**ASSESSED PROPERTY VALUE:**
Napa City - $16 Billion

**ISO RATING:**
Class 2

**LAND AREA:**
Napa City - 17.9 sq mi
Napa County - 748 sq mi

**STAFFING:**
3 Shifts
18 / Day / Shift

**STAFFING RATIO:**
Averages 1 On-Duty FF per 4,379 Residents

**2022 TOTAL CALLS:** 11,098

- Fires: 269
- Hazardous Condition: 206
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ADMINISTRATION AND PREVENTION STAFF

Zach Curren
Fire Chief

Shuree Egloff
Mgmt. Analyst II

Donna Whitney
Admin. Secretary

Ana Garibay
Office Assistant II

Greg Fortune
Fire Marshal

Adriana Newberry
Secretary

Brandon Veyna
Sr. Fire Inspector

Jose Valenzuela III
Fire Inspector II

Omar Galvan
Fire Inspector I

Shea Barrett
Fire Inspector I
OPERATIONS COMMAND STAFF

Jason Berens
Deputy Fire Chief

Ty Becerra
Admin. Battalion Chief

Charlie Rhodes
Battalion Chief

Christopher Gilbert
Battalion Chief

Jim Cortese
Battalion Chief

Albert Burgess
EMS Captain

Dustin Jones
Training Officer
STAFFING

NEW HIRES
Shea Barrett - Fire Inspector I
Oscar Torres - Firefighter/Paramedic

PROMOTIONS
Jeff Squibb - Captain
Brandon Veyna - Senior Fire Inspector

RETIEMENTS
Mike Fleming - Firefighter
Mike Dombrowski - Captain
Laurel Chamness - Captain
Rodger Collinson - Firefighter/Paramedic

DECEASED RETIREES
Don Horton - Firefighter/Inspector

APPOINTMENTS
Mitchell Caldwell - Training Officer
Will Schimpf - Acting Captain
Karl Crowe – Acting Battalion Chief
Kyle Matlick – Designated Infection Control Officer
Albert Burgess – Acting Battalion Chief
Ernesto Martin – Social Media Team
Nicolas Pruett – Social Media Team
Ana Garibay – Social Media Team
Steve Streif – Investigations Team
Jake Fonville – Investigations Team
Jim Callanan – Investigations Team
Albert Burgess – EMS Captain
Nick Rizzo – Acting Captain
Joe Russo – Acting Captain
Jim Callanan – Acting Captain
Dustin Jones – Training Officer
Matt Gonsalves – Apparatus Specialist
Will Schimpf – Apparatus Specialist
Clay Zusman - Tactical Medic
Deidre Pratt - Water Rescue Team

CHRIS MORRISON
FIREFIGHTER/PARAMEDIC
8 YEARS OF SERVICE

KYLE MATLICK
FIREFIGHTER/PARAMEDIC
8 YEARS OF SERVICE
MAJOR ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Secured an Additional $1M to the Fire Apparatus Replacement Fund
- Completed the Hazard Mitigation Plan
- Secured Funds to Upfit New Apparatus
- Added Extrication Capability to Engine 3
- New False Alarm Ordinance
- Adopted New Fire Codes
- Hired 1 Full Time Employee for a Fully Staffed Fire Prevention Division
- Hired 1 Full Time Firefighter/Paramedic
- Initiated the First Responder Fee Process
- Initiated Standards of Cover Study
- Executed a New Contract with American Medical Response West
- Brought Back the Explorer Program
- Funded Training for the Peer Support Team
DEPARTMENT OPERATIONS UPDATE

MULTI-AGENCY TRAINING
NFD hosted a multi-agency training with representatives from Paratech, Inc. covering Urban Search and Rescue (USAR), structural stability, and vehicle stabilization.

AWARDS CEREMONY
In the last 2 years, we hosted 3 academies and welcomed 3 new firefighters and 6 firefighter/paramedics. Due to the Covid-19 Pandemic, we were unable to celebrate the academy graduates in our normal manner. Our Annual Awards Ceremony took place, and we not only recognized all 3 academies, but also commended our individual contributors and introduced our departments new hires and promotions. Congratulations to all!

LATERAL RECRUITMENT
This year, we welcomed 1 lateral firefighter/paramedic. Oscar Torres joins NFD with 5 years of experience. He looks forward to serving the Napa Community.
MAJOR WEATHER & CITY WIDE INCIDENTS

ENTER BOTTLEROCK
Bottlerock took us to never-never land welcoming an estimated 40,000 music fans to Napa Valley. Our crews attended to provide any necessary fire and life safety needed for the 3-day event. We look forward to participating again next year!

MAJOR CITY INCIDENTS
Aside from the continued Covid-19 Pandemic, the flu and other viruses, and multiple wildfire deployments, NFD responded to substantial structure fires, HazMat incidents, and heightened homeless-related incidents. Pictured below are a few photos from some of the calls from this past year, including a rescue from the Rampage ride at the Napa Town & Country Fair.

OUT OF COUNTY ASSIGNMENTS
Wildfire season had a slight increment this year and NFD Strike Teams were deployed around the state to assist. They were assigned to six wildfires, including one pre-position in Napa County.

- Old Fire - Napa County
- Rices Fire - Nevada County
- Sandra Fire - Butte County
- Oak Fire - Mariposa County
- McKinney Fire - Siskiyou County
- Mosquito Fire - El Dorado & Placer Counties

Bottlerock Crew 2022

Above: Jeff Squibb, Police Chief Jen Gonzales, and Zach Dias

Left to Right: Felix Barba, Nick Rizzo, Dustin Jones, Anthony Genaro, Hattie Hamilton, Scott Wilkes, and Joe Russo
COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT & EDUCATION

FIRE & LIFE SAFETY DAY
After a 2 year hiatus, we hosted our Annual Fire & Life Safety Day in person. It was a huge success with an estimated 400 people in attendance. We demonstrated 2 auto extrications, games and raffle prizes, and a special visit from Sparky the fire dog.

INSPIRING OTHERS
Firefighter/Paramedic Hattie Hamilton gave the Napa Girl Scout Brownie Troop #10713 a chance to see what a day in the life of a firefighter is like. Aside from checking the engine out and seeing how heavy the SCBA is, the troop also got to use a fire hose!

HERO'S IN THE MAKING
While riding their bikes, Franco and Nelson noticed smoke and flames coming from a home. They quickly ran up to the front door to notify anyone that was potentially inside. Fortunately, the residents were able to escape in time. Thank you Franco and Nelson for your quick thinking!
EMERGENCY STATISTICS

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Total Unit Responses: 13,912
Increase in Call Volume From 2021 to 2022: 8.8%
Increase in Call Volume Over the Past Decade: 40.5%
## RESPONSE OVERVIEW

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**Travel Time** = Enroute → Arrival

**Total Time** = Dispatch → Arrival
RESPONSE OVERVIEW

We Averaged 30 Responses Per Day in 2022

Of All Incidents Were Medical Related

Increase of Vegetation Fires from 2021

Call Volume By Time of Day

Fire Category Types

Structure 11.5%
Vegetation 17.1%
Vehicle 4.5%
Rubbish 40.1%
Cooking 11.9%
Other 14.9%

67.9% Of All Incidents Were Medical Related

87.5% Increase of Vegetation Fires from 2021

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INCIDENTS BY STATION

Station 1 - 1,736
Station 2 - 2,827
Station 3 - 2,977
Station 4 - 2,551
Station 5 - 1,007
FIRE PREVENTION

2,817 Total Annual Fire & Life Safety Inspections for 2022

64.7% Increase Over 2021 (Annual Fire & Life Safety Inspections)

679 Total Construction Inspections

Fire Prevention Inspector Jose Valenzuela pictured with a few children from a daycare he inspected. Inspections like these give our youth an opportunity to pick up on a few Fire & Life Safety skills.

OMAR GALVAN
PREVENTION INSPECTOR I
2 YEARS OF SERVICE
FIRE PREVENTION

1,476  Total Project Reviews for 2022

71  Total Weed Abatement Inspections

78.4%  Decrease Over 2021 (Weed Abatement Inspections)

Thank you property owners!

23  Total Notices to Abate

3,567  Total Inspections for 2022

JOSE VALENZUELA
PREVENTION INSPECTOR II
3 YEARS OF SERVICE
Firefighter/Inspector Horton was hired by the Napa Fire Department on May 6, 1973 by Fire Chief Milton Ochs and was assigned badge #107. In 1986, after 13 years as a Firefighter, he transitioned to our Fire Prevention Division as a Fire Inspector, retiring in 2002. Don was born in Cheyenne, WY, in 1944. He met the love of his life, JoAnn, while still a teenager in Sacramento. The two went on to marry in 1966, moved to Napa in 1969, and raised three children. Don served his country in the Navy and afterwards served his community as a City of Napa firefighter for 30 years.

He had an undeniable sparkle in his eye and love for his family. The wild open land and affection for the west stayed with him from his youth spent in Wyoming. He spent many hours volunteering for the Sherriff's posse and the Napa Horsemanship's Association and watching westerns. He had a passion for the 49ers, coaching youth football and restoring his beloved 1940 cherry red pickup truck.

Don passed away peacefully, surrounded by his family, at his home December 3, 2022, at the age of 78.
ALWAYS HERE, ALWAYS READY, SERVING YOU WITH PRIDE AND EXCELLENCE