

# North Las Vegas Fire Department

Strategic Budget Priorities  
Process (SBPP) Group  
July 2010



# Our Services - Overview

- Administrative Services
- Fire/EMS Operations
- Fire Prevention / Engineering
- Public Education
- Training & Safety
- Code Enforcement
- Fire Investigations



# Performance Overview

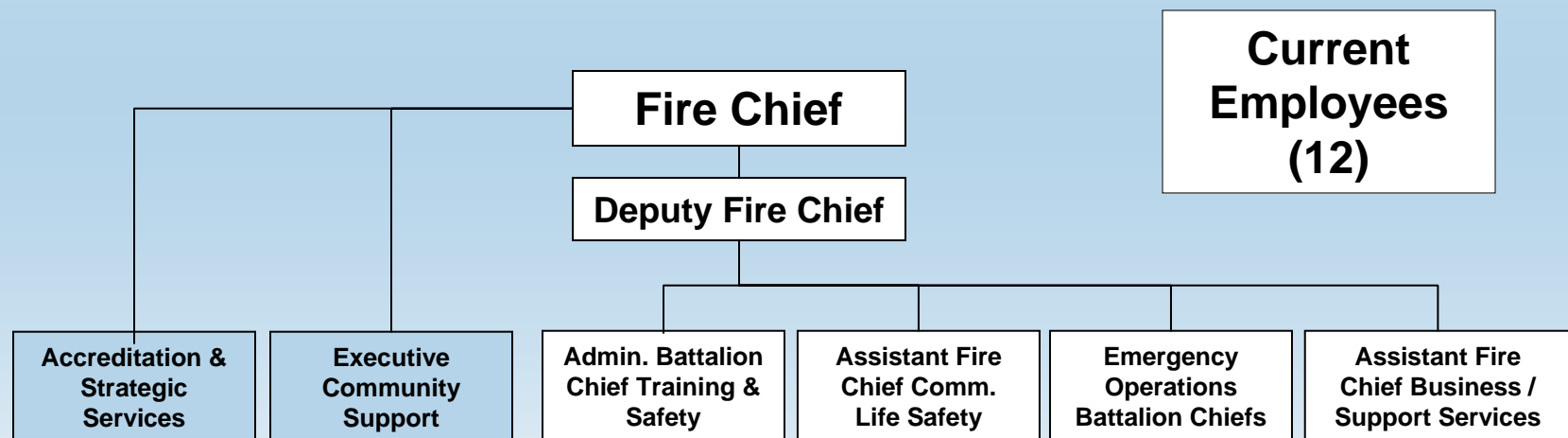
- Emergency Operations
  - Responses **26,209** (>25% increase)
    - Fire / Rescue 6,804
    - EMS 19,405
- Training
  - Fire 62,204hrs - 344hrs / member
  - EMS 10,809hrs - 60hrs / member
- Prevention
  - Inspections 6,772
  - Plan Reviews 2,902
- Code Enforcement
  - Cases closed 5,225
- Fire Investigations
  - Cases 124



# Our Services

## Administration

- Responsible for overall management and leadership of day-to-day operations and inter-government / community relations.



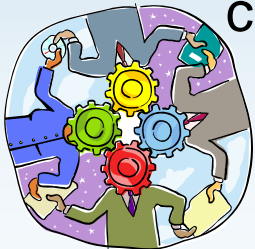
**Employees Assigned - 12**



# Our Services

## Fire/EMS Operations

- Responsible for daily emergency response services.
  - Eight fire stations provide twenty-four hour emergency response services to include:
    - Fire/EMS
    - Haz-mat
    - Technical Rescue Operations
    - Public Assist
  - Additional duties include:
    - Training
    - Conduct safety inspections / commercial risk assessments
    - Initiate life safety drills
    - Maintain equipment in a state of readiness
    - Interact with the public on fire prevention issues as part of a daily routine.
  - An automated dispatch system responds the geographically closest unit to an incident.



**Employees Assigned - 174**



# Our Services

## Fire Prevention & Engineering

- Works closely with the City's Permit Application Center and Business License Division in providing inspections for new/existing businesses located within North Las Vegas.
  - Plan Reviews
  - Customer inquiries/complaints
  - Knox box applications
  - Hydrant access inspections
  - Permit fee collection
  - Hazardous material review/inspections



**Employees Assigned - 8**



# Our Services

## Public Education

- Responsible for the dissemination and facilitation of fire prevention and injury prevention programs
  - Current programs include:
    - Northern S.T.A.R.S. Safety Village
    - Take A Second – Protect A Child: Drowning Awareness Campaign
    - Remembering When: A Fire & Fall Prevention Program for Older Adults
    - Start Safe: A Fire & Burn Safety Program for Preschoolers & their Families
    - Child Passenger Safety Program: Check Points/Car Seat Installations
    - Smoke Alarm Installations
    - Blood Pressure / CPR / Fire Extinguisher Classes
    - Community Health Fairs / Special Events / Parades



**Employees Assigned - 2**



# Our Services

## Training & Safety

- Responsible for coordination/facilitation of training for all personnel.
  - Basic and Advanced Fireground Operations
  - Officer and Professional Development and Education
  - Driver Operator Certification
  - Emergency Medical Services
  - Hazardous Materials
  - Technical Rescue and Special Operations
  - Mandatory Curriculums and Certifications / Recertification's
  - Provides cadet training for new hires



**Employees Assigned – 5 – 3 are currently  
deployed to Operations**



# Our Services

## Code Enforcement

- Responsible for progressive and responsive code enforcement services which contribute to a better quality of life and support the mission and goals of the City of North Las Vegas.
  - The Code Enforcement Division strives to:
    - Achieve voluntary compliance
    - Improve and maintain the quality of life where people live and work
    - Abate public nuisances



**Employees Assigned - 12**



# Our Services

## Fire Investigation

- Responsible for investigating fires to determine the origin and identify cause in an effort to prevent potential reoccurrence of fires.
  - If the cause of fire is determined to be negligent, careless, or incendiary, the Fire Investigations Section will enforce local, state, and federal codes, laws and ordinances as applicable.
  - Participates in regional response efforts to minimize the occurrence of arson.

- **81.5% Case Closure Rate**



**Employees Assigned - 1**



# Our Community of Service

- Citizens and visitors of CNLV
- Immediate neighbors
  - Clark County
  - City of Las Vegas
  - Nellis Air Force Base
  - BLM
- Employees and business partners of the CNLV
- Regional Committees & Task Forces
- Regional & National Response Teams



# Recent Budget Reductions

- Since July 2008:
  - Decreased 19.5 FTEs (5 – RIF/14.5 Frozen)
  - Decreased Operational Budget 3.2%
  - Decreased Capital Improvements 16.1%
- Operating Budgets
  - FY 2010 \$ 36.2 million (approved)
  - FY 2011 \$ 34.3 million (proposed)



# Future Budget Reductions

## FY 2011 Planning @ 10% reduction

- \$3.4 million (28 FTEs = 12% Staff reduction)
- Impacts
  - Decreased Emergency Response Units and Operational Staffing
  - Increased time for
    - Plan Checks
    - FP Inspections
    - Code Enforcement



# Our Service Delivery Challenges

- Continued expectations for service at 2010 levels with 2005 level staffing.
- Increased fire problems with diminishing economics
- Increased EMS demands
- Increased demands to modify or set aside fire and community codes
- Continued budget reductions without corresponding reduction in service demand



# Our Actions & Options

- Cost Recovery Actions and Options
  - Adopt Fire and Rescue Cost Recovery Ordinance
  - Modification to Fire Prevention and Code Enforcement Fees
  - Continue Ambulance Transport Cost Recovery
- Service Delivery Options
  - Consolidation of Services within region
    - Full Consolidation or Determined Functional Consolidations
  - Reduction in Services Provided (Expectation Modifications)



# Discussion with Group

Questions?



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