

FIRE DISTRICT UPDATE

10/7/2025 SEBASTOPOL CITY
COUNCIL MEETING

Presented by:

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AGENDA

- Transition Update
- Volunteer Participation
- Station Improvements
- Fire Prevention Update
- Response Statistics



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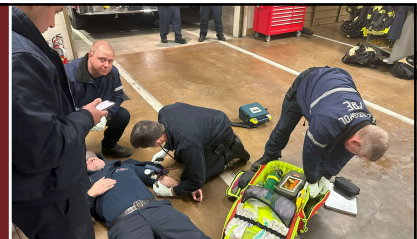
VOLUNTEER PARTICIPATION

*Out of County Response
Improved Training (Zone 8 Partners)
2 FFs in Firefighter 1 Academy
1 FF in EMT Academy*

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VOLUNTEER PARTICIPATION – TRAINING JULY – SEPTEMBER 2025

- **Auto Extrication:** Cutting, Airbags, vehicle stabilization, and scenarios
- **Company Officer Development:** Wildfire and Structure Fire Response
- **SCBA:** Rescue, survival, safety, and FF drags/removal
- **VEIS:** Vent, Enter, Isolate, Search, and ladder throws
- **Structure Fire:** 1.75" and 2.5" hose lines, Salvage and Overhaul



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VOLUNTEER ATTRITION

Volunteer firefighters are community members with family and work obligations comparable to those of others.

The District's goal is to support their continued involvement by encouraging them to return to service as their schedules allow.

Joe Pogar (Age - Firefighter of the Year)

Ray Senn (Age - Firefighter of the Year)

Mitch Lamb (Age)

Saul Rodriguez (U.S. Marines)

Nate Demartini (Personal Commitments - Family)

Ethan Arrington (Nursing School - Career)

Knightley Priest (Moved to Petaluma - still GFD Volunteer)

Exit interviews were conducted with volunteers.

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STATION IMPROVEMENTS

24 Hour Staffing

New Nozzles

New Plymovent System

Turnout Lockers

New 500# Ice Machine

Station Organization



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DORM ADDITIONS

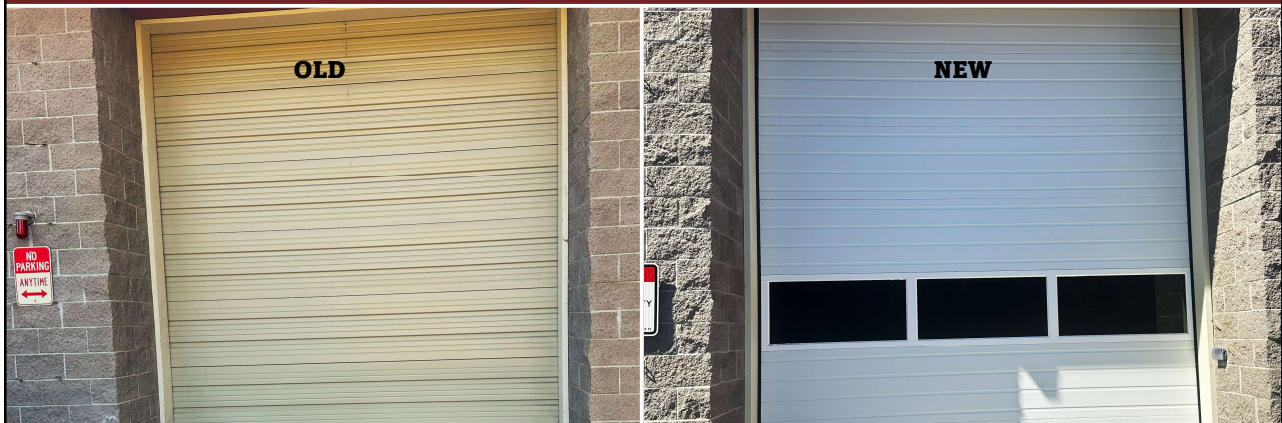
*Three Separate Dorms
For 24 Hour Staffing*



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NEW APPARATUS BAY DOORS

*\$85,000 Improvement
(In Progress)*



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FIRE PREVENTION

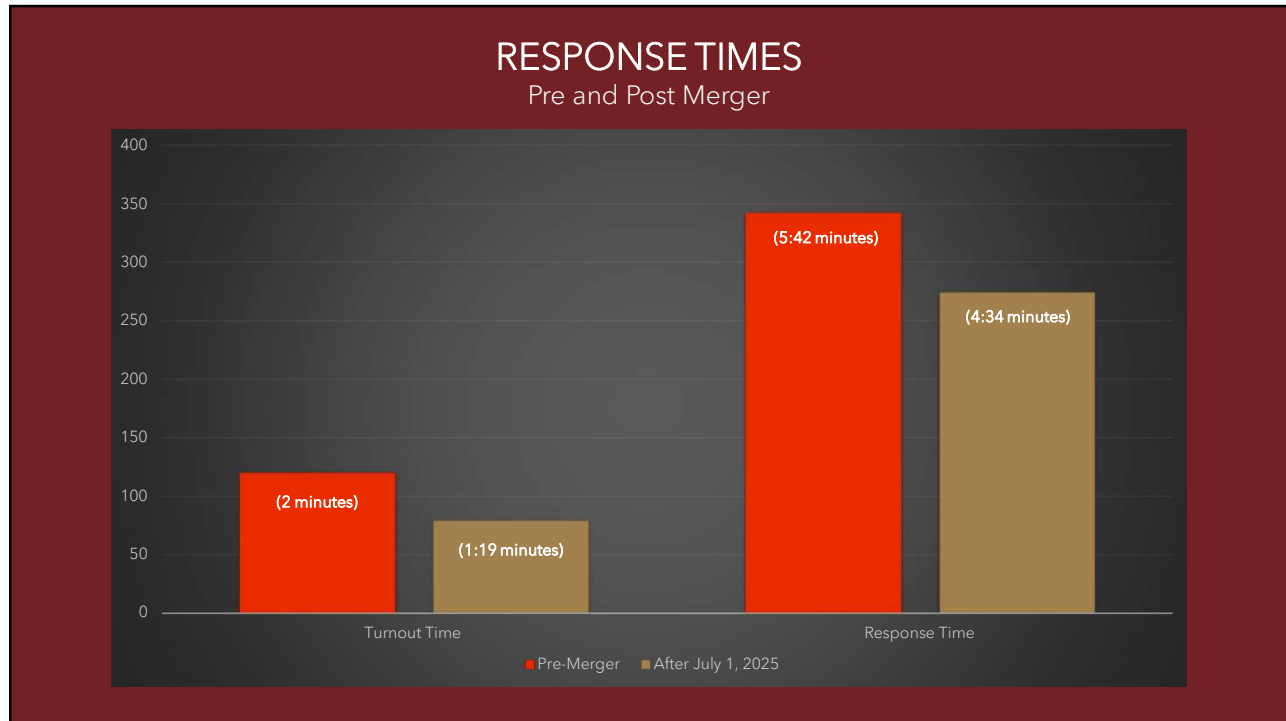
- Initial challenges with program access corrected
- Contract for residential/commercial construction plan review and inspection by H&S Associates
- Full-time Inspector
- Company-level Inspections
- Hiring of additional full-time fire prevention personnel



RESPONSE STATISTICS

Every response demonstrates our readiness, efficiency, and commitment to delivering exceptional service when it matters most

Metric	July 1 - Sept. 26	Target	Actual
Call Volume	~ 3 months	N/A	345 Calls
Volunteer Response	Call Attendance	N/A	560 Volunteer Responses
Volunteer Training Hours	Total Training	Drills & Online	845 Hours
FS 83 Turnout Time	Seconds Average	120 sec (CG Study)	79 sec
FS 83 Response Time	Minute Average	5:42 min (Matrix Study)	4:34 min



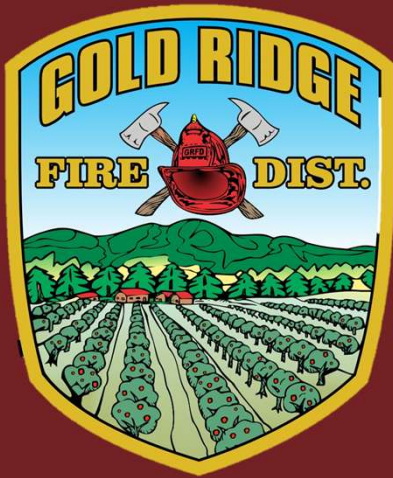
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FINAL TAKEAWAY

The City of Sebastopol and our surrounding neighbors are benefiting from improved emergency response, training, and experience of our paid and volunteer firefighters.

The image block contains three photographs. The top photo shows a fire truck at a scene with several firefighters. The bottom-left photo shows firefighters attending to a person lying on the ground. The bottom-right photo shows firefighters working on a wooden structure, possibly a roof or wall.

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THANK YOU

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