



**CITY OF HOLLISTER
FIRE PROTECTION ADVISORY COMMITTEE AGENDA
SPECIAL MEETING**

Thursday, June 5, 2025, 9:15 a.m.

**City Council Chamber, City Hall
375 Fifth Street, Hollister, CA 95023**

Roxanne Stephens, Hollister Mayor (Chair)
Rolan Resendiz, Hollister Councilmember, District 2
Rudy Picha, Hollister Councilmember, District 1 (alt.)
Ignacio Velazquez, San Benito County Supervisor, District 5
Kollin Kosmicki, San Benito County Supervisor, District 2
Dom Zanger, San Benito County Supervisor, District 1 (alt.)
Scott Freels, San Juan Bautista Mayor
Leslie Jordan, San Juan Bautista Mayor Pro Tem (Vice Chair)

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1. CALL TO ORDER**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE****3. ROLL CALL****4. VERIFICATION OF AGENDA POSTING**

The agenda for the Fire Protection Advisory Committee special meeting of June 5, 2025 was posted on the bulletin board at City Hall on June 4, 2025 at 9:00 a.m. per Government Code Section 54954.2.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**5.1 APPROVE THE MARCH 27, 2025 SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**

Approve Minutes.

6. PUBLIC INPUT FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

This is the time for anyone in the audience to speak on any item not on the agenda and within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Committee. Speaker cards are available in the lobby, and are to be completed and given to staff before speaking. When the Minutes Clerk calls your name, please come to the podium, state your name and city for the record, and speak to the Committee. If you are joining us by Zoom, please click on the bottom of your screen to raise your hand. If you are joining us by Zoom using a cell phone, please press *9. Each speaker will be limited to up to three (3) minutes with a maximum of 30 minutes per subject. Please note that state law prohibits the Committee from discussing or taking action on any item not on the agenda.

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS**7.1 COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS****7.2 CHIEF'S REPORT****1. A PRESENTATION OF THE BIENNIAL FIRE SERVICES REPORT****8. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS****9. ADJOURNMENT**



City of Hollister Fire Protection Advisory Committee
Minutes of the Special Meeting

March 27, 2025, 11:00 a.m.
City Council Chamber, City Hall
375 Fifth Street, Hollister, CA 95023

Members Present: **Kollin Kosmicki**
 Scott Freels
 Leslie Jordan
 Roxanne Stephens
 Rudy Picha

Members Absent: **Angela Curro**
 Dom Zanger
 Rolan Resendiz

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Stephens called the meeting of the City of Hollister Fire Protection Advisory Committee to order at 11:03am.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Vice Chair Jordan led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL

4. VERIFICATION OF AGENDA POSTING

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

5.1 APPROVE JANUARY 9, 2025 MEETING MINUTES

Moved by: Kollin Kosmicki

Seconded by: Roxanne Stephens

Approving the January 9, 2025 Meeting Minutes.

Ayes (5): Stephens, Velasquez, Kosmicki, Freels, Jordan

Noes (0)

Absent (1): Picha

Carried (5-0-1)

6. PUBLIC INPUT FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Chair Stephens opened public comment at 11:38 a.m.

There being no speakers, the public comment was closed.

7. COMMITTEE BUSINESS

7.1 BAKER TILLY DISCUSSION FOR FIRE DISTRICT FEASIBILITY STUDY

Members from Baker Tilly introduced themselves and gave a presentation regarding the scope of their work and answered questions.

Committee members discussed their concerns and expressed their hesitation about moving forward with the feasibility study if not all parties are involved.

Vice Chair Jordan proposed that the committee move forward with the Baker Tilly Contract. Committee Members Freels, Picha, and Jordan were in agreement, and Committee Members Stephens, Kosmicki, and Velasquez disagreed.

Committee members recommended taking the contract to their respective agencies for a final decision.

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

8.1 COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS

Committee Member Velasquez shared that the County Board of Supervisors voted to create its own Fire Department.

8.2 CHIEF'S REPORT

Chief Goulding encouraged all three jurisdictions to continue communications while exploring all options. He believes it is in the best interest for all three jurisdictions to continue working together.

9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Committee Member Velasquez asked for a quarterly report for call data. Chief Goulding stated that he would be presenting a biannual report at the next meeting.

10. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chair Stephens adjourned the meeting at 12:08 p.m.

Veronica Mena, Meeting Clerk



**STAFF REPORT
HOLLISTER FIRE PROTECTION
ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MEETING DATE: June 5,
2025
REPORT # Fire-2025-13**

AGENDA ITEM: A PRESENTATION OF THE BIENNIAL FIRE SERVICES REPORT

STAFF CONTACT: Jonathan Goulding, Fire Chief

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Receive a presentation of the Biannual Fire Services Report

DISCUSSION: Staff has compiled the annual report detailing key departmental statistics for the 2024 calendar year. This report provides a comprehensive overview of call volume data, both at the department-wide level and broken down by individual jurisdictions.

In addition to operational activity, the report highlights departmental efforts in training, fire prevention, and community risk reduction. These sections showcase the department's ongoing commitment to professional development, proactive safety measures, and engagement with the communities we serve. This report is intended to inform of the department's performance, accomplishments, and areas of focus over the past year.

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

PREVIOUS COUNCIL OR COMMISSION ACTION: N/A

CEQA: N/A

ATTACHMENTS:

1. 2024 Biannual Report

2024 Biannual Report

January - December 2024



HISTORY

149 YEARS OF HISTORY

The Hollister Fire Department was established on December 27, 1875 to serve the town of Hollister and its outlying areas. As with most fire departments of that time, a Fireman's Ball produced the budget, and staffing was all volunteer, with a complement of 69 firemen including one Chief Engineer, and two assistant Chief Engineers. The Department turned out with three hose companies and one hook and ladder company to combat fire. According to the Fire Department By-Laws, the standard of cover was simple, "Fire Stations (Hose Barns) will be located where the fire rages the most."

In July of 2013 due to the budget restraints stemming from the great recession, the Hollister Fire Department, the San Benito County Fire Department and the San Juan Bautista Fire Department were merged together to provide fire services county wide. The intent of the merger was to eliminate duplication of services and provide a more efficient, more robust fire service county wide. The Hollister Fire Department was chosen as the department to oversee all fire operations and remains so today.



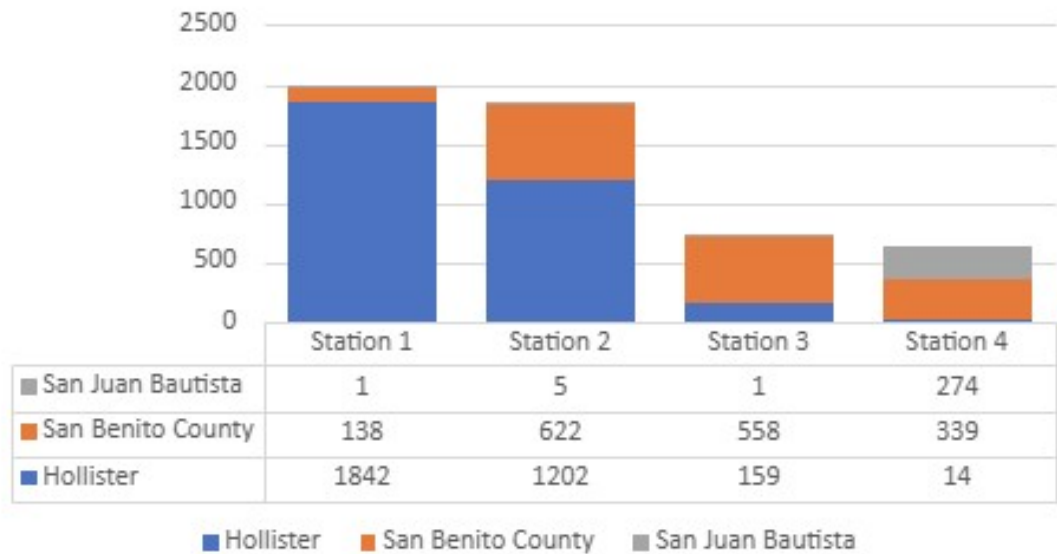
MISSION STATEMENT

The Hollister Fire Department is committed to providing the highest level of public safety services for our community in the most efficient manner possible. We will protect lives and property through fire suppression, emergency medical services, rescue, fire prevention and public education. We are committed to the community and value the role each member plays in our organization. All of our lives depend on it.

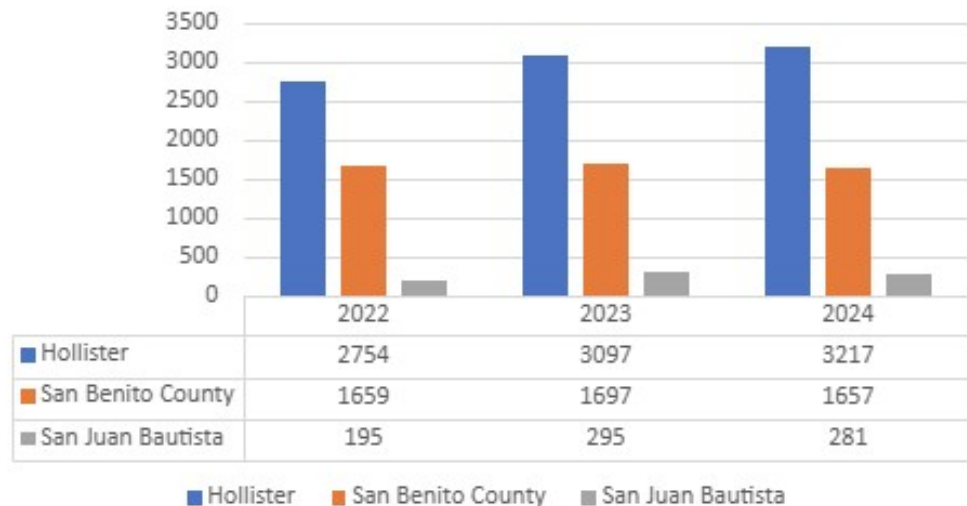


Year-to-Date Call Volume

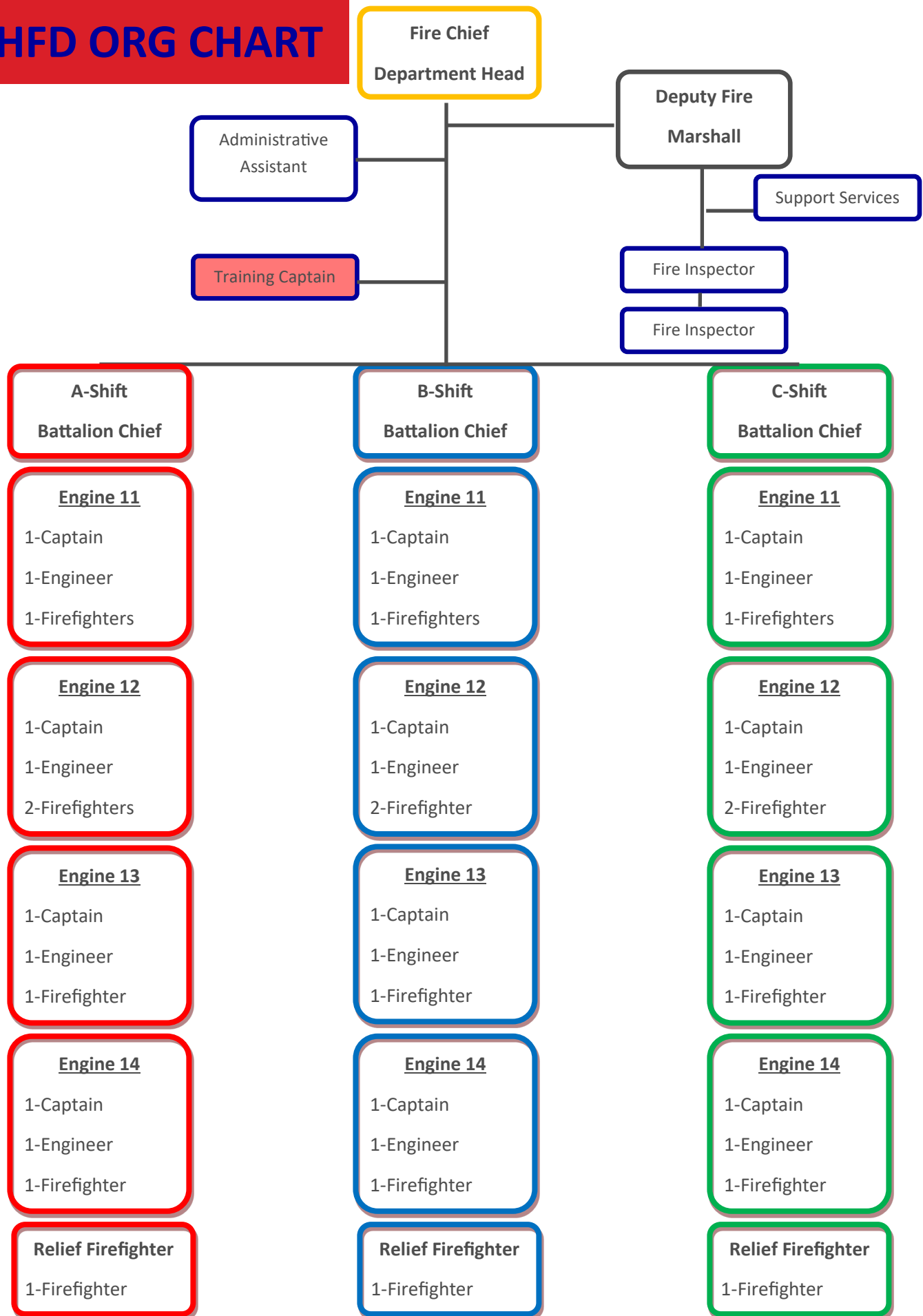
Calls by Jurisdiction



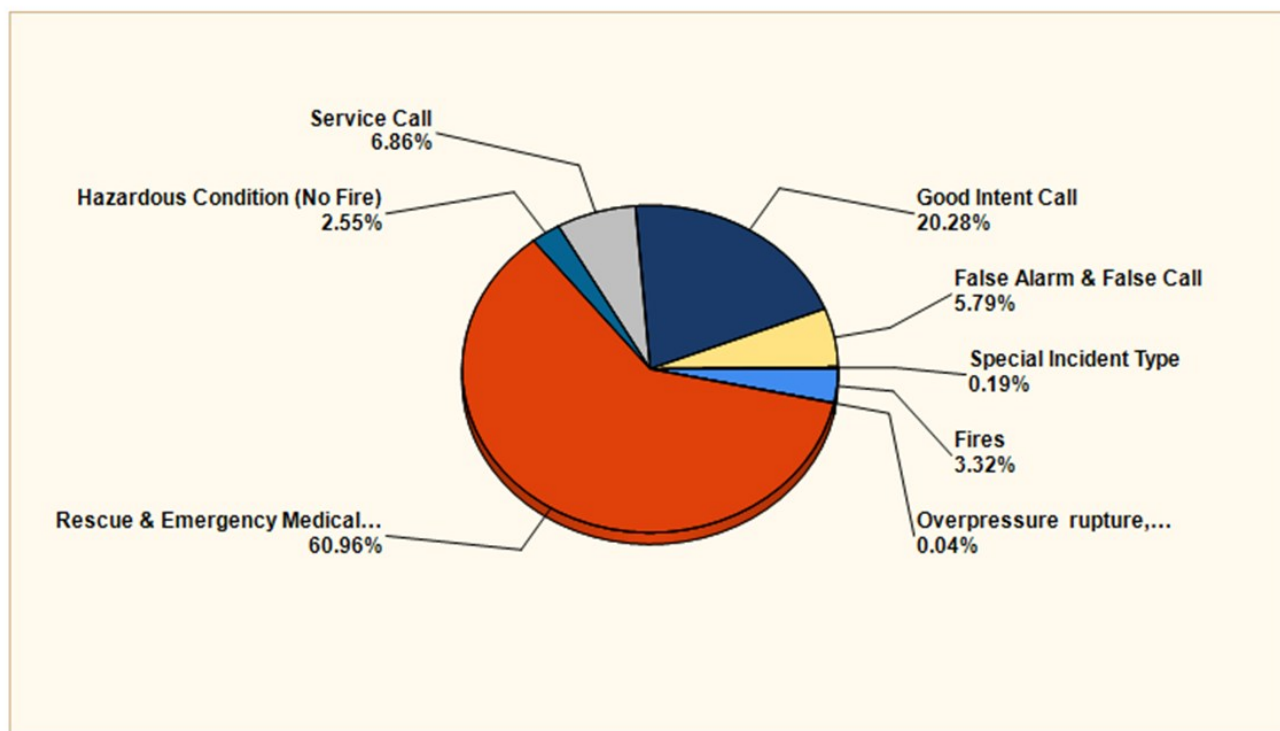
Call Volume by Year



HFD ORG CHART



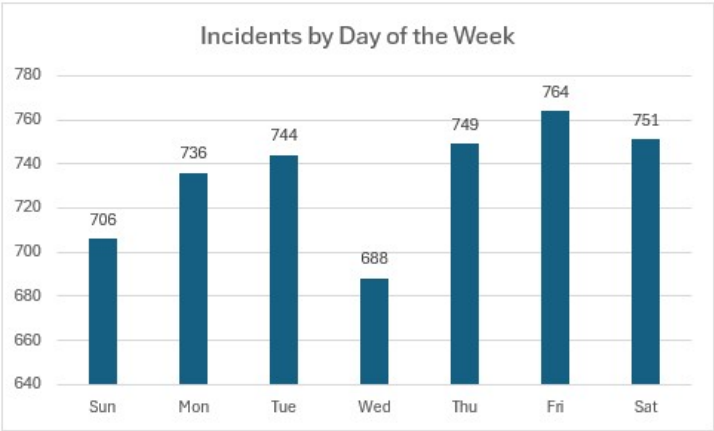
HFD Analytics 2024



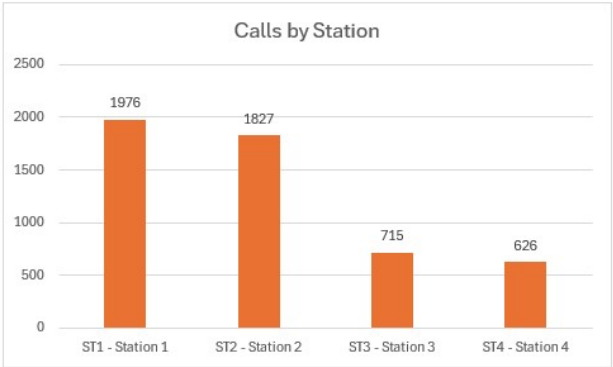
MAJOR INCIDENT TYPE	# INCIDENTS	% of TOTAL
Fires	171	3.32%
Overpressure rupture, explosion, overheating - no fire	2	0.04%
Rescue & Emergency Medical Service	3136	60.96%
Hazardous Condition (No Fire)	131	2.55%
Service Call	353	6.86%
Good Intent Call	1043	20.28%
False Alarm & False Call	298	5.79%
Special Incident Type	10	0.19%
TOTAL	5144	100%



HFD Analytics 2024



STATION	COUNT
ST1 - Station 1	1976
ST2 - Station 2	1827
ST3 - Station 3	715
ST4 - Station 4	626
TOTAL:	5144





Station Information





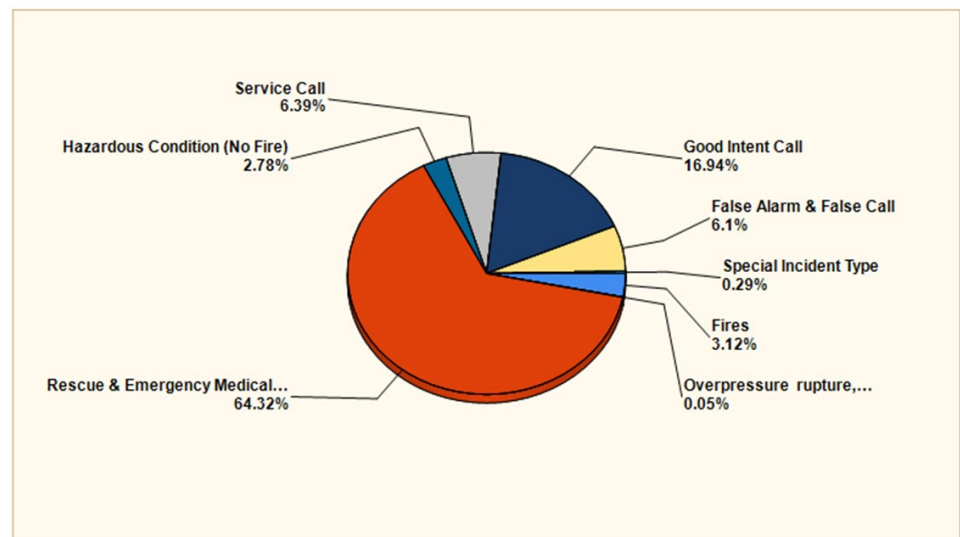
STATION 1

110 5th Street, Hollister



Fire Department Headquarters, Fire Chief's Office, Battalion Chiefs' Offices, and Prevention.

2024 Incident Totals



Station 1	
Fires	64
Overpressure rupture, explosion, overheating - no fire	1
Rescue & Emergency Medical Service	1318
Hazardous Condition (No Fire)	57
Service Call	131
Good Intent Call	347
False Alarm & False Call	125
Special Incident Type	6



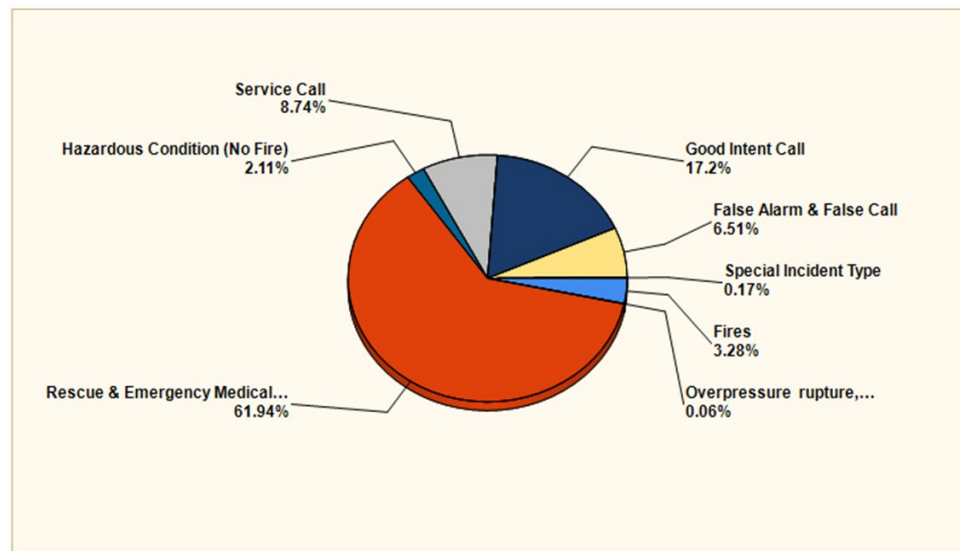


STATION 2

2240 Valley View Drive, Hollister



2024 Incident Totals



Station 2	
Fires	59
Overpressure rupture, explosion, overhear -	1
Rescue & Emergency Medical Service	1113
Hazardous Condition (No Fire)	38
Service Call	157
Good Intent Call	309
False Alarm & False Call	117
Special Incident Type	3



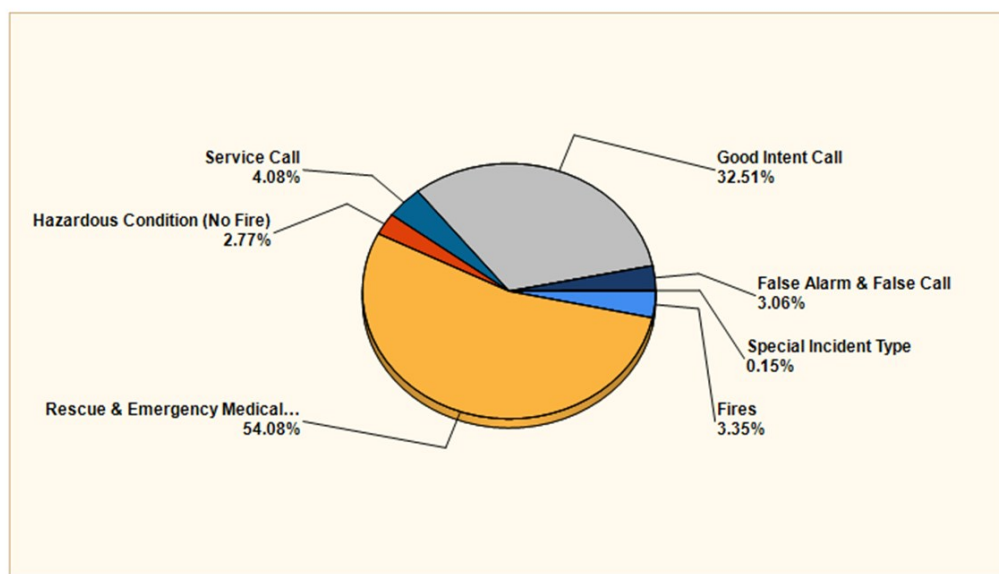


STATION 3

2000 Aerostar Way, Hollister Airport, Hollister



2024 Incident Totals



Station 3	
Fires	23
Rescue & Emergency Medical Service	371
Hazardous Condition (No Fire)	19
Service Call	28
Good Intent Call	223
False Alarm & False Call	21
Special Incident Type	1



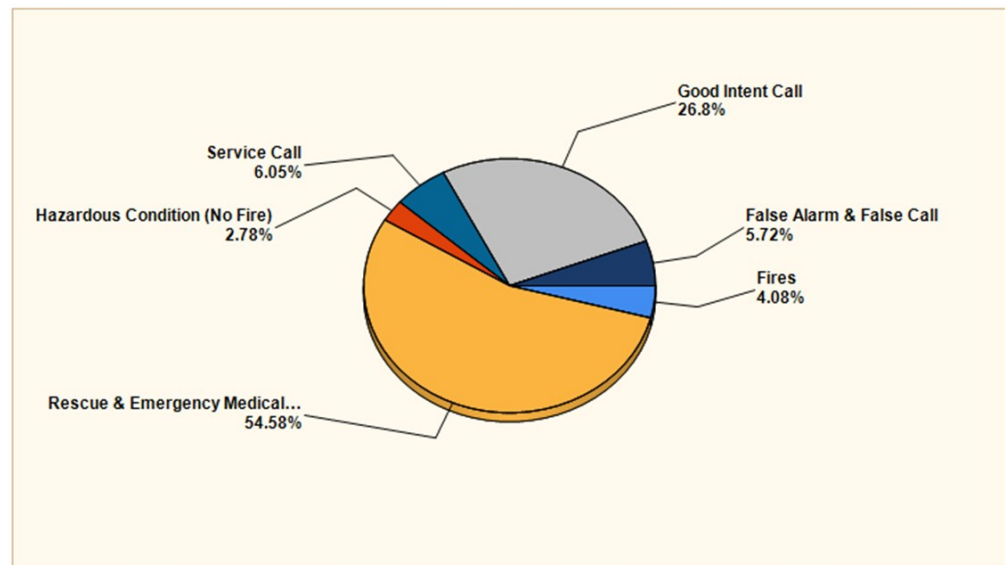


STATION-4

24 Polk Street, San Juan Bautista



2024 Incident Totals



Fires	25
Rescue & Emergency Medical Service	334
Hazardous Condition (No Fire)	17
Service Call	37
Good Intent Call	164
False Alarm & False Call	35



Training

Training is a key component of a successful fire department. Ensuring personnel are skilled in their duties before an emergency makes them better prepared to perform their duties under extreme conditions. We had some key accomplishments in 2024.

Some milestones regarding training this year were:

- Implemented a dedicated Training Captain
- Advanced Airway (I-gel) In service training
- New Thermal Imaging Camera in Service training
- New Water Tender In Service Training
- Multi Company Drill and Prescribed burn with BEU
- Multi Company Drill with OP area agencies High Rise Drill
- Active Attacker work group, policy development, and training exercises
- Base Station Meetings (quarterly) Jan/April/July/Oct





Training

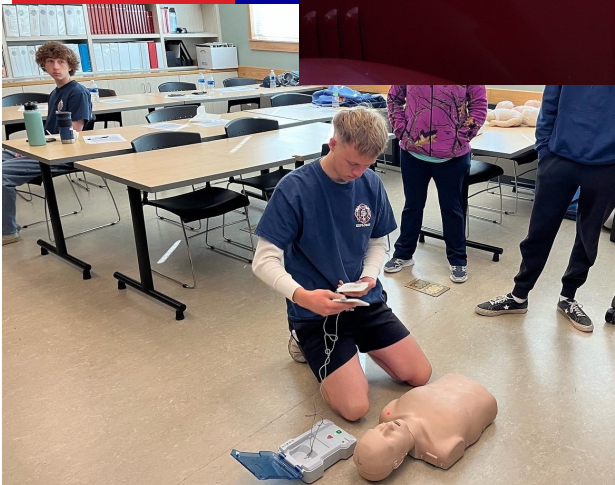
For 2024, Hollister firefighters completed **10,591 hours** of training. Each line firefighter is required a minimum of **243** annual training hours to remain compliant with state, federal, ISO and department standards.

Company Training	3312
Driver/Operator Training	735
Officer Training	1640
Facility Training	798
Hazmat Training	258
EMS Training	425
Other	3423

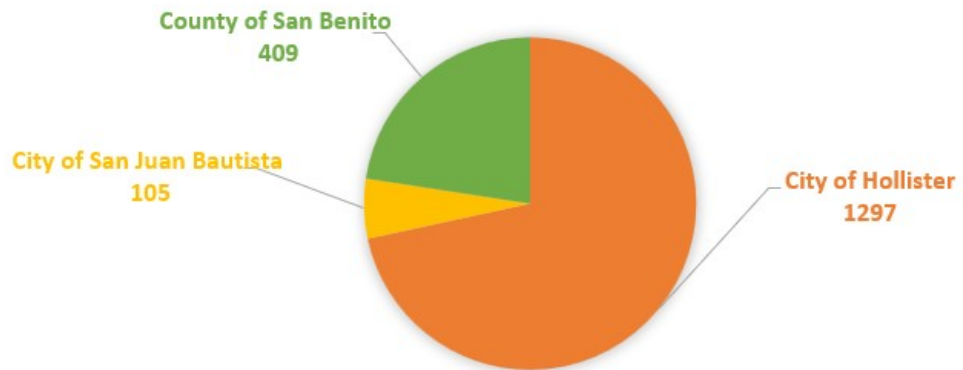




Fire Prevention



INSPECTIONS JANURARY - DECEMBER 2024



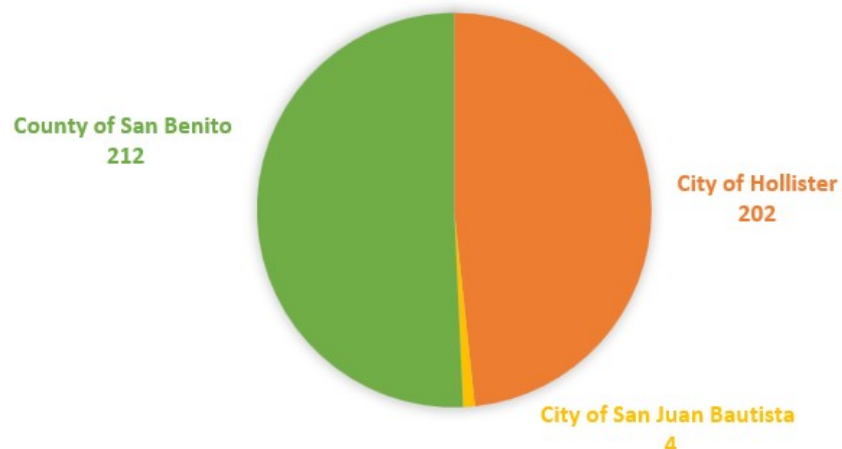
CPR	
Classes	21
Participants	178
Hands-only	100



Fire Extinguisher	
Classes	7
Participants	95

Outreach	
Station Tours	22
School Visits	18
Other Pub. Ed	11

PLAN CHECKS JANUARY - DECEMBER 2024





Other Fire Prevention

Investigations	9
Fire Explorers	20



Goals For 2025

- Continue with feasibility study for possible future fire protection district.-**Canceled**
- Station 1 painting.-**Completed**
- Develop a plan for future staffing of new ladder truck.-**Delayed**
- Fire Department Master Plan/Strategic Plan.-**Delayed**
- Purchase equipment for new ladder truck.-**Future Project**
- Replace thermal imaging cameras.-**Completed**
- Develop a plan for a new brick and mortar station 3.-**Future Project**
- Develop an auto aid agreement with Gilroy.-**Delayed**
- Repair Floors at Station 2.— **Delayed**
- Electrical repairs Station 1 and 2.-**Partially Completed**
- Covering for equipment at training grounds.— **Delayed**
- Install 40 Hr. Captain— **Completed**
- Develop plan for SCBA replacement current units expire in 2028.-**Future Project**
- Develop standard operating guidelines for department.-**In Progress**

