



BREA FIRE DEPARTMENT

2020 ANNUAL REPORT



A MESSAGE FROM YOUR BREA FIRE CHIEF

I'm extremely proud to introduce our first ever Brea Fire Department Annual Report for 2020! This was a year filled with many unique challenges from a worldwide pandemic, to extreme wildfires, to civil unrest. Throughout these challenges, the men and women of the Brea Fire Department continued to respond to our community as compassionate professionals. As a highly trained, all-hazard fire department, we take great pride in handling any situation that comes our way. It is important to take time to reflect on our past accomplishments so we remain focused to exceed the following year's expectations.

More importantly, this is our opportunity to provide a behind-the-scenes look at the details of your fire department and the positive impact they are having on our community. It is our belief that the quality of life in our neighborhoods depends on strong partnerships between our citizens, business leaders, elected officials, and City employees. We welcome every opportunity to participate in these partnerships, especially as we continue to move back to our normal way of life.



ADAM LOESER
BREA FIRE CHIEF



PROTECTING OUR CITY

Each member of our team has a heart for serving the City of Brea. From our Firefighters to our volunteers, Brea is in great hands.

42

FIREFIGHTERS

3

FIRE PREVENTION STAFF

1

EMERGENCY MANAGER

2

PROFESSIONAL STAFF

164

COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM (CERT) VOLUNTEERS

8

CHIEF OFFICERS*

1

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (EMS) MANAGER*

1

FIRE CHAPLAIN*

RON ARISTONDO
Fire Prevention Specialist II
3 YEARS OF BREA SERVICE

JOHN AGUIRRE
Fire Engineer
25 YEARS OF BREA SERVICE

ELIZABETH DANG
Administrative Clerk II
7 YEARS OF BREA SERVICE

*Shared with the City of Fullerton

COMMAND STAFF

Since 2011, the cities of Brea and Fullerton have operated under a Shared Command Staff Agreement. The staff is made up of **1 Fire Chief, 2 Deputy Chiefs, 2 Division Chiefs, 3 Battalion Chiefs, 1 EMS Manager, and 1 Fire Chaplain**. The Command Staff oversees 10 fire stations, 34.65 square miles of land, and over 100 personnel responding to 18,724 emergency incidents.



ADAM LOESER
Fire Chief



BRANDON COATNEY
Deputy Chief Operations



CHRISTOPHER NIGG
Deputy Chief Administration/
Fire Marshal



MICHAEL MEACHAM
Division Chief Logistics



KYLE HOUK
Division Chief Training



MARK TERRILL
Battalion Chief



JONATHAN FUGITT
Battalion Chief



RHONDA ROSATI, RN
EMS Manager



FERNANDO VILICAÑA
Chaplain

INCIDENT BREAKDOWN

Brea Fire is an all-hazard agency which means our personnel are trained to tackle any problem—big or small. We pride ourselves on being compassionate and customer-service oriented.



3,271

**EMERGENCY
MEDICAL INCIDENTS**



121

FIRE INCIDENTS

Structure, Vegetation, Vehicle, & Dumpster

RYAN GRECO
Firefighter/Paramedic

4 YEARS OF BREA SERVICE



504

SERVICE INCIDENTS

*Police Assist, Illegal Burn, Elevator Entrapment,
Station Move-Ups, Powerline Problem, Lock-In/Out,
Investigations, Help a Citizen*



34

**HAZARDOUS MATERIALS
INCIDENTS**



569

MUTUAL AID INCIDENTS



324

OTHER INCIDENTS

*Automatic Fire Alarms,
Malfunctioning Appliance, Rescue*

4,823

TOTAL INCIDENTS*



* An incident is any 911 call that generates a response from the Fire Department.

EMERGENCY MEDICAL RESPONSE TIMES

Response times begin upon dispatch of the resource and end upon arrival at the scene. Our response times are influenced by daily call volume, traffic, construction, and incident access, so when you travel on our Brea roadways and see our flashing lights, please pull to the right.



90%
OF RESPONSE TIMES ARE
LESS THAN 8:00 MINUTES



7 MIN : 29 SEC
AVERAGE DISPATCH
TO ARRIVAL TIME



BREA FIRE STATION STATISTICS

Brea Fire has four stations strategically located across the City. A unit response represents any time a fire unit responds to an incident. Some incidents, such as a structure fire, require multiple fire units to respond to the same incident.



STATION 1

1,733 UNIT RESPONSES

1,489 TOTAL INCIDENTS

STATION 2

1,944 UNIT RESPONSES

1,407 TOTAL INCIDENTS

STATION 3

1,504 UNIT RESPONSES

1,205 TOTAL INCIDENTS

STATION 4

218 UNIT RESPONSES

116 TOTAL INCIDENTS



OUR TRAINING IS NEXT LEVEL

The environment of public safety changes daily which is why the Brea Fire Department is committed to making every day, a training day. We are dedicated to training our personnel to meet all current professional standards of our industry. Topics include:

- Fire control
- Auto extrication
- Search & rescue
- Medical skills & assessments
- Hoses
- Ladders
- Self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA)
- Ventilation
- Wildland
- Ropes & knots
- Command & control
- Hazardous materials
- Active shooter

Brea Fire conducted a five-week training academy which included four probationary Firefighters, averaging 45-50 hours per week.

192

HOURS OF REQUIRED ANNUAL TRAINING PER FIREFIGHTER

20,388

TOTAL DEPARTMENT TRAINING HOURS

524

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES CONTINUING EDUCATION HOURS



COVID-19 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT RESPONSE



The City of Brea Emergency Operations Center (EOC) serves as the centralized point to manage and support the overall City response to major disasters such as wildfires, earthquakes, and pandemics.

On March 16, 2020, the EOC was activated to provide guidance to our citizens, businesses, and employees as the City navigated through the COVID-19 pandemic. Later that same day, the Brea City Council proclaimed a Local Emergency.



COVID-19 BY-THE-NUMBERS

Brea Fire responded to a number of COVID-19-related incidents. These incidents required our Firefighters to use enhanced precautions such as personal respirators, surgical gowns, and face shields to avoid spreading the virus while providing the best care to our patients.



400 COVID-19 RELATED INCIDENTS



LISA KEYWORTH
Emergency Manager
4 YEARS OF BREA SERVICE

The City's Emergency Manager plans, organizes, and coordinates emergency management efforts through the City's Emergency Operations Plan. She is also the liaison with local, county, state, and federal emergency management agencies, and oversees the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) volunteer program.

COVID-19 VACCINE ROLL-OUT



In January 2021, Brea Fire along with the entire Orange County fire service, supported the COVID-19 vaccination roll-out. Brea Firefighter/Paramedics provided vaccinations and medical support to Orange County Super Point of Dispensing (POD) sites.



RHONDA ROSATI, RN
EMS Manager
6 YEARS OF BREA SERVICE

The City's Emergency Medical Services Manager oversees the selection, education, and training of the department's Paramedics and Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs). She provides medical skills training and education regarding current Orange County EMS policies and procedures.



TOGETHER WE'RE SAVING LIVES

3,271

EMERGENCY
MEDICAL INCIDENTS

3,129

PATIENTS RECEIVED ADVANCED
LIFE SUPPORT FROM OUR
FIREFIGHTER/PARAMEDICS

167

PATIENTS TREATED
FOR CARDIAC ARREST

38

PATIENTS REVIVED (ROSC)
RETURN OF SPONTANEOUS
CIRCULATION

4

TIMES AN AUTOMATIC
EXTERNAL
DEFIBRILLATORS (AED)
WAS USED

The Brea Fire Department is proud to have been recognized by the American Heart Association with the **Mission: Lifeline® EMS Silver Plus Recognition Award** in 2020 for implementing quality improvement measures for the treatment of patients who experience severe heart attacks and for meeting the latest research-based standards for resuscitation care.



FIRE PREVENTION

The Fire Prevention Bureau, overseen by the Fire Marshal, adopts and enforces codes and ordinances relative to fire and life safety issues; reviews plans and conducts inspections of construction projects; coordinates annual life safety inspections of all existing commercial buildings; and enforces brush clearance/weed abatement throughout the City of Brea.



118
FIRES INVESTIGATED



673
FIRE PREVENTION BUREAU
BUILDING & PROPERTY INSPECTIONS



190
FIRE PLAN REVIEWS



1,070
ENGINE COMPANY
BUILDING & PROPERTY INSPECTIONS



881
ANNUAL PERMITS ISSUED



23
WILDLAND INSPECTIONS/
WEED ABATEMENT



265
NEW CONSTRUCTION INSPECTIONS

Above numbers are reduced due to COVID-19 impacts.



For City resources on how to keep our community safe, visit cityofbrea.net/fireprevention.

WE'RE THERE FOR OUR NEIGHBORS

Brea Fire participates in the California mutual aid system. Mutual aid is emergency assistance that is dispatched upon request across jurisdictional boundaries.

APPLE FIRE
Riverside County

DEER FIRE
San Diego County

**SALT/MOC/CZU
LIGHTENING COMPLEX FIRE**
San Mateo County/Santa Cruz County/Calaveras County

DOLAN FIRE
Monterey County

EL DORADO FIRE
San Bernardino County

AUGUST COMPLEX FIRE
Glenn County

BOBCAT FIRE
Los Angeles County

NORTH COMPLEX FIRE
Plumas County/Butte County

BLUE RIDGE FIRE
Orange County

SILVERADO FIRE
Orange County

BOND FIRE
Orange County

**BREA FIREFIGHTERS
ASSISTED WITH**

11
FIRES

1,467,409
ACRES

BRADLEY BROWN
Fire Engineer
20 YEARS OF BREA SERVICE

DAVID PRICE
Firefighter/Paramedic
3 YEARS OF BREA SERVICE

DILLON FETTY
Firefighter
1 YEAR OF BREA SERVICE

CHRIS MARVIN
Fire Captain/Paramedic
25 YEARS OF BREA SERVICE



THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE

Congratulations to our retirees for your combined 120 years of service!



JAMIE NEWTON
DEPUTY CHIEF
OPERATIONS



CAREY PARRO
CAPTAIN



KATHY SCHAEFER
DIVISION CHIEF/
FIRE MARSHAL



JOHN SCHNAKENBERG
ENGINEER

WE APPRECIATE YOUR SUPPORT AND PARTNERSHIP



BREA CITY COUNCIL

STEVEN **VARGAS**, MAYOR
CECILIA **HUPP**, MAYOR PRO TEM
CHRISTINE **MARICK**, COUNCIL MEMBER
GLENN **PARKER**, COUNCIL MEMBER
MARTY **SIMONOFF**, COUNCIL MEMBER



THANK YOU FOR ENTRUSTING US WITH YOUR SAFETY

We're honored to serve our Brea community.



STAY CONNECTED

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