

TAMPA FIRE RESCUE

RESOURCES	ACTUAL FY06	ACTUAL FY07	BUDGET FY08	PROJECTED FY08	RECOMMENDED FY09
Personnel Expenses	\$ 49,515,354	\$ 52,976,903	\$ 50,213,502	\$ 49,598,464	\$ 51,189,943
Operating Expenses	4,568,595	4,809,222	5,076,435	4,992,232	5,049,012
Operating Budget	\$ 54,083,949	\$ 57,786,125	\$ 55,289,937	\$ 54,590,696	\$ 56,238,955
Capital Outlay	150,134	137,154	278,672	278,496	195,286
Transfers	101,126	0	0	0	0
Budget Allocation	\$ 54,335,209	\$ 57,923,279	\$ 55,568,609	\$ 54,869,192	\$ 56,434,241
Authorized Positions	642	661	647	647	647

Vision and Mission: Tampa Fire Rescue's vision is to be a progressive, professional, competent and technologically efficient fire rescue organization. Tampa Fire Rescue's mission is to protect our community by providing immediate response to all requests for service.

Goals and Objectives: Tampa Fire Rescue will:

- Actively seek more effective, efficient, and innovative ways to accomplish our mission.
- Provide the best customer service in the area of public safety.
- Continue to look for more cost-effective ways to deliver more efficient service.
- Maintain a continuous state of readiness.
- Endeavor to prevent, respond to, and expeditiously recover from all types of incidents in the most effective manner possible.
- Continue to monitor the environment, re-evaluate and plan for changing customer needs, expectations, and economic growth.

Current Operations and Initiatives: Tampa Fire Rescue's fire suppression, rescue, fire prevention, training, communications, and administrative support division are the backbone of the department. Fire rescue personnel are assigned to twenty-one fire stations throughout the City of Tampa, including the Aircraft Rescue Firefighting (ARFF) station at Tampa International Airport. The department continues to enhance its operations to affect more efficient service delivery. Thermal imaging cameras have now been strategically placed throughout the department ensuring a more efficient use of the technology. The department recently acquired one new replacement engine and a new replacement tiller/ladder truck. Tampa Fire Rescue continued to convert its basic life support (BLS) engines to advanced life support (ALS) leaving only two remaining to convert. The department completed its annual Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) inspection with zero discrepancies for the 11th consecutive year. The ARFF station also took delivery of a state-of-the-art emergency response vehicle assigned to the airport paramedics. The department gained an additional State certified urban search and rescue K-9 and handler, thus enhancing the department's position state-wide. Tampa Fire Rescue continues to enhance its response technologies, recently transitioning from the ASTRA system to DocuMed Systems International for fire reporting. The department's sixty-nine foot state of the art fireboat is currently being built and set for delivery by April 2009. The fire prevention bureau reorganized business practices within the new construction division and the investigation division thereby, improving inspections and increasing arson investigation's clearance rates.

Performance Measures	FY07 Actual	FY08 Projected	FY09 Estimated
Total TFR Alarms	66,374	68,365	70,416
Fire Alarms	11,128	11,462	11,806
Medical Alarms	55,246	56,903	58,610
Medical Transports	16,429	16,922	17,430
Fire Loss (millions)	\$2.1	\$9.2	\$9.6
Response Time: Fire (average in minutes)	7.14	7.35	7.57
Response Time: Medical (average in minutes)	6.85	7.05	7.26