

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.



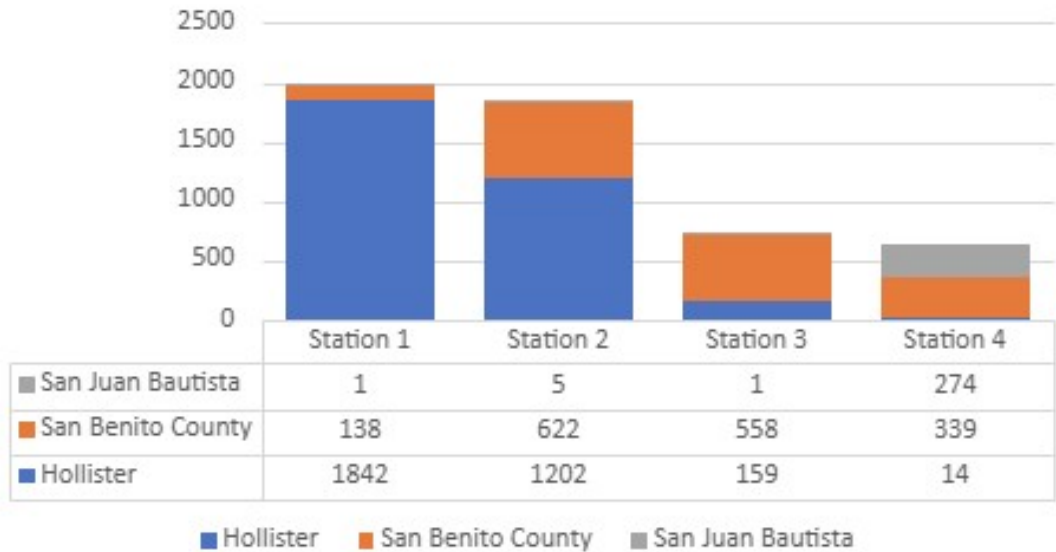
MISSION STATEMENT

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

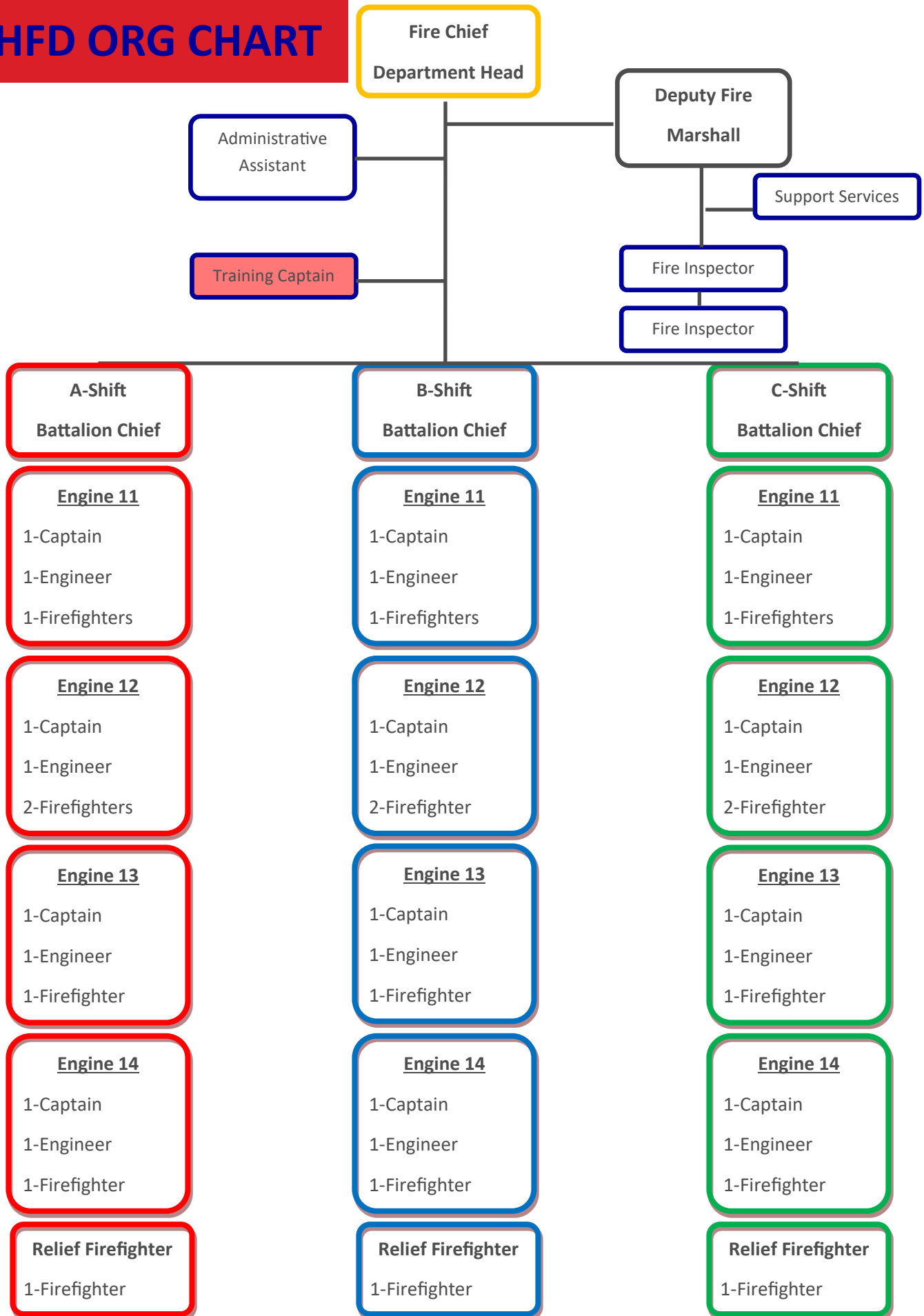
Calls by Jurisdiction



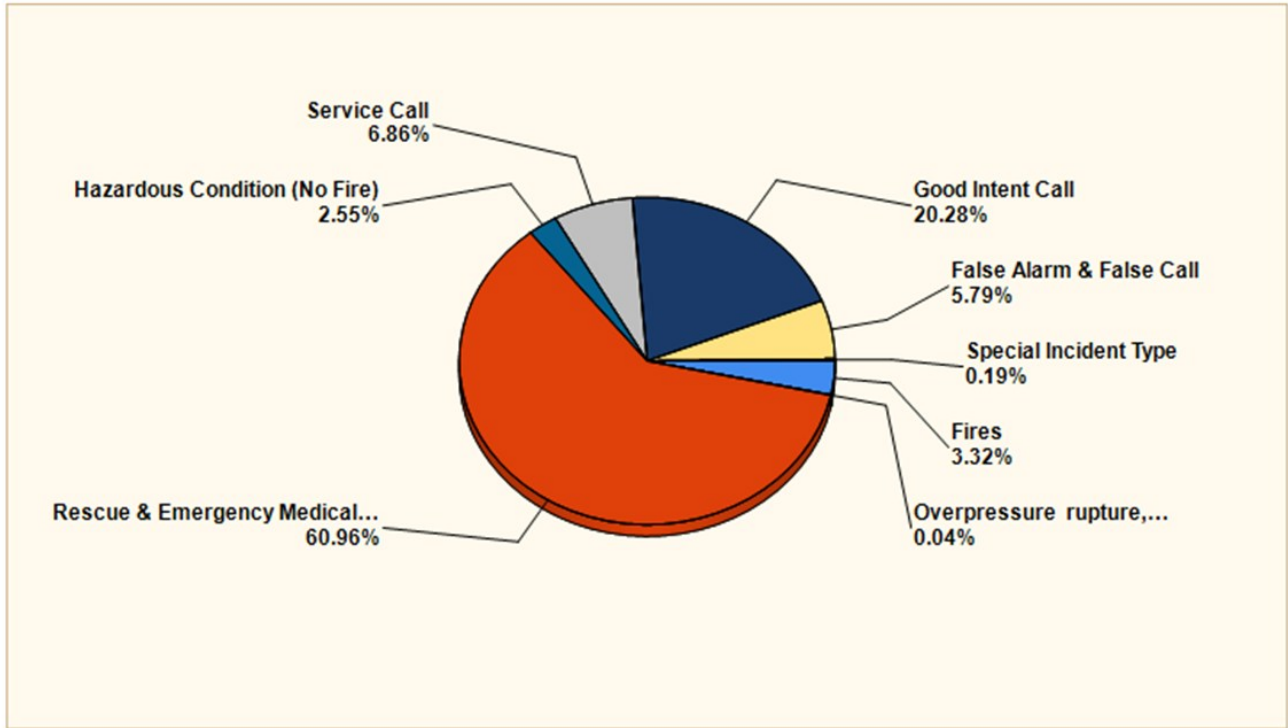
Call Volume by Year



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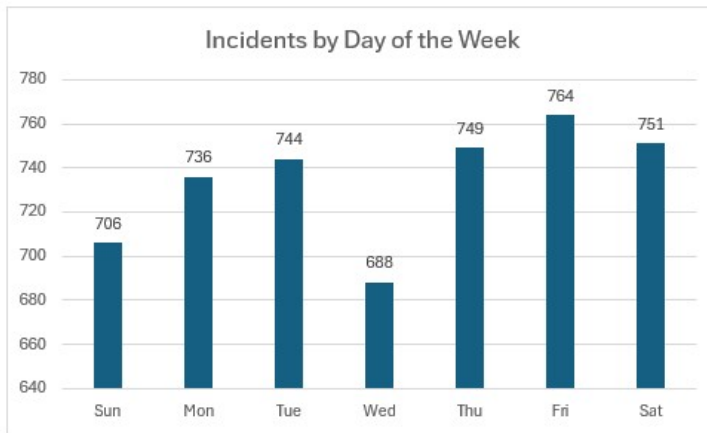
HFD Analytics 2024



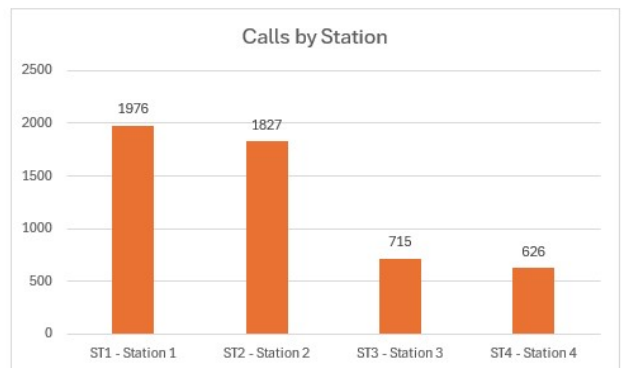
MAJOR INCIDENT TYPE	# INCIDENTS	% of TOTAL
Fires	171	3.32%
Overpressure rupture, explosion, overheating - no fire	2	0.04%
Rescue & Emergency Medical Service	3136	60.96%
Hazardous Condition (No Fire)	131	2.55%
Service Call	353	6.86%
Good Intent Call	1043	20.28%
False Alarm & False Call	298	5.79%
Special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





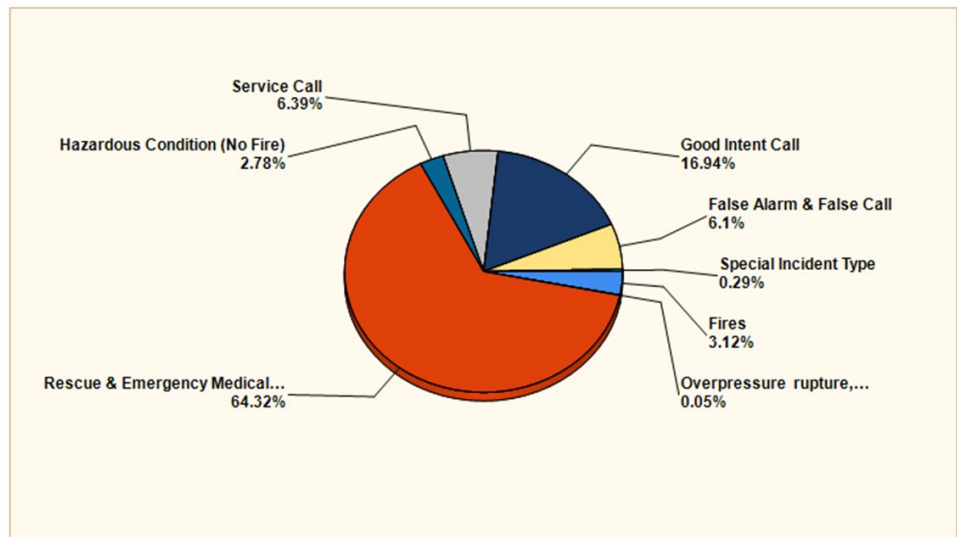
STATION 1

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



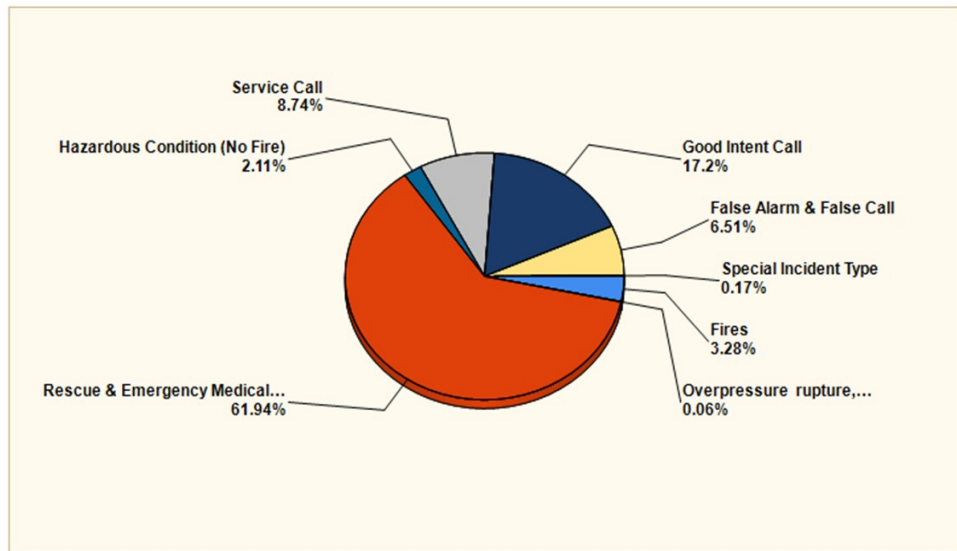


STATION 2

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



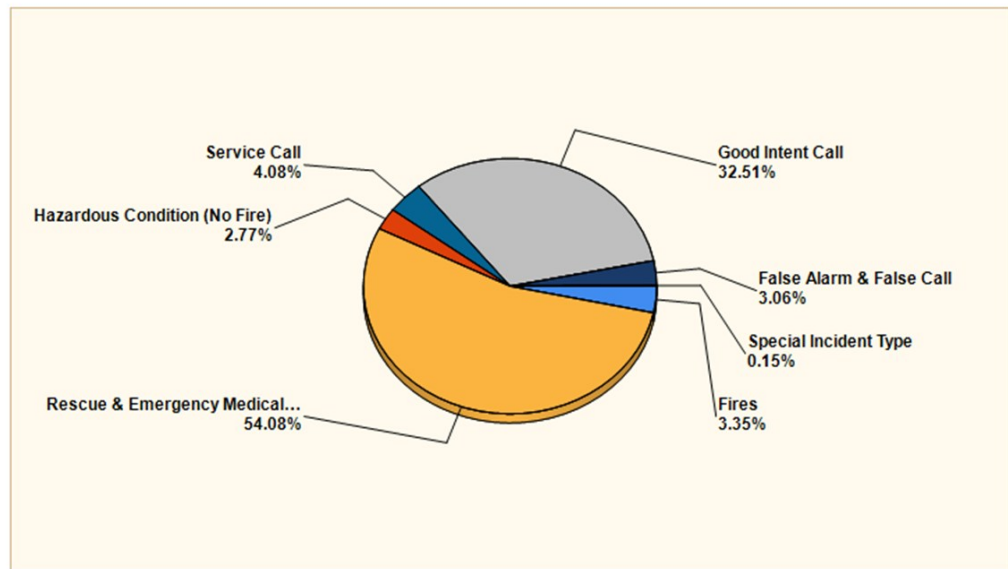


STATION 3

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



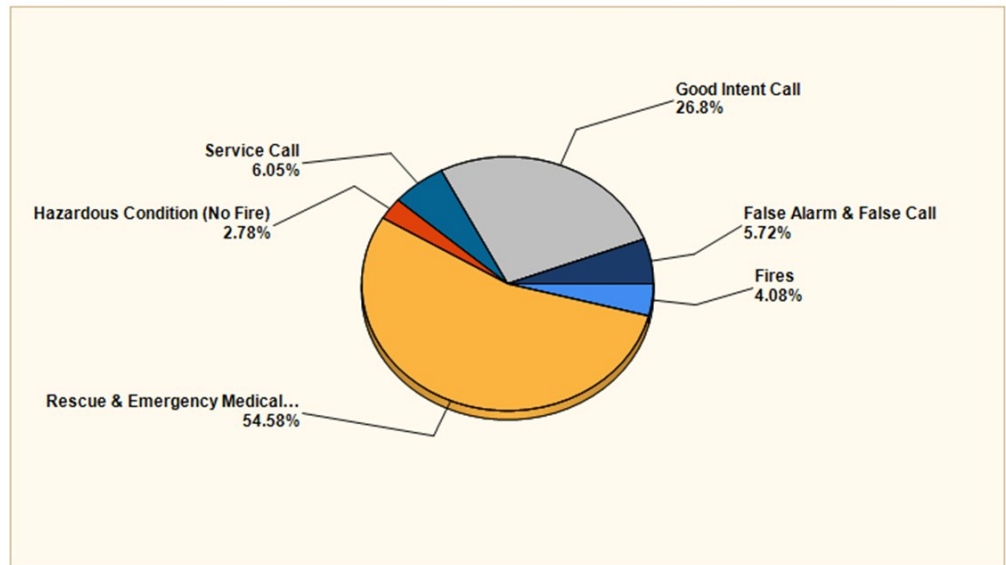


STATION-4

24 Polk Street, San Juan Bautista

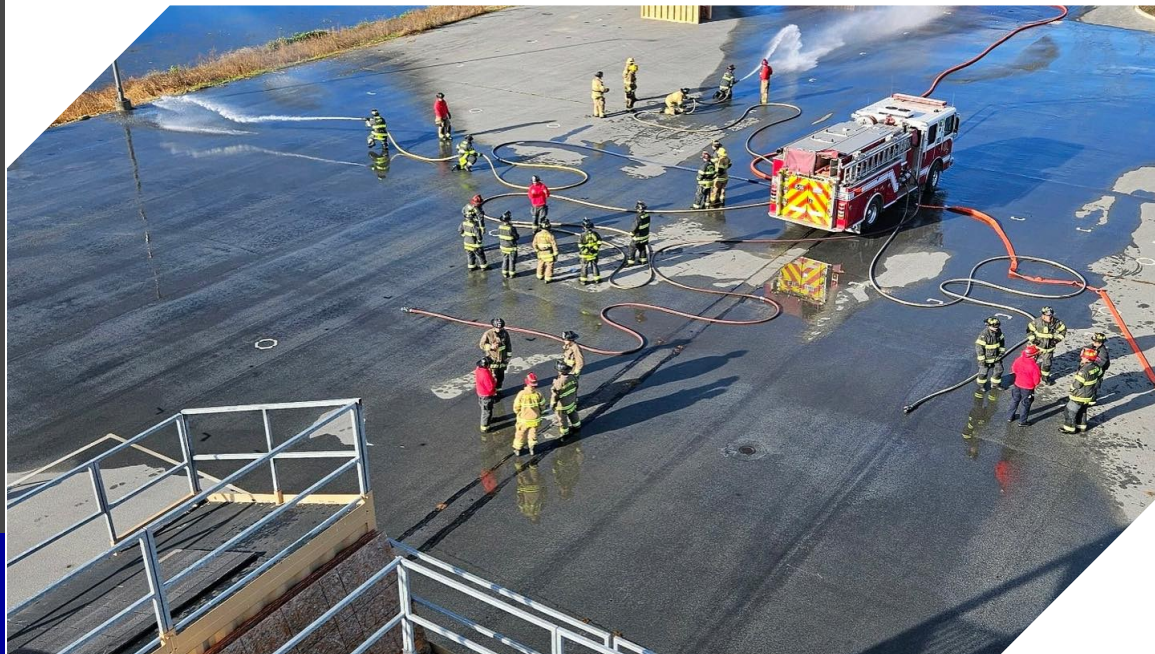


2024 Incident Totals



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





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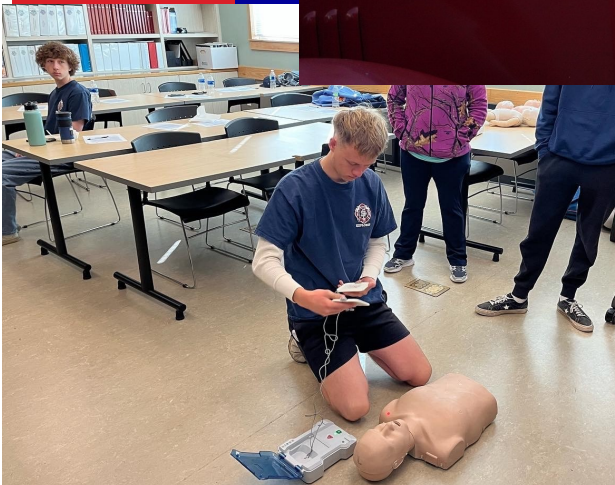
For 2024, Hollister firefighters completed **10,591 hours** of training. Each line firefighter is required a minimum of **243** annual training hours to remain compliant with state, federal, ISO and department standards.

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

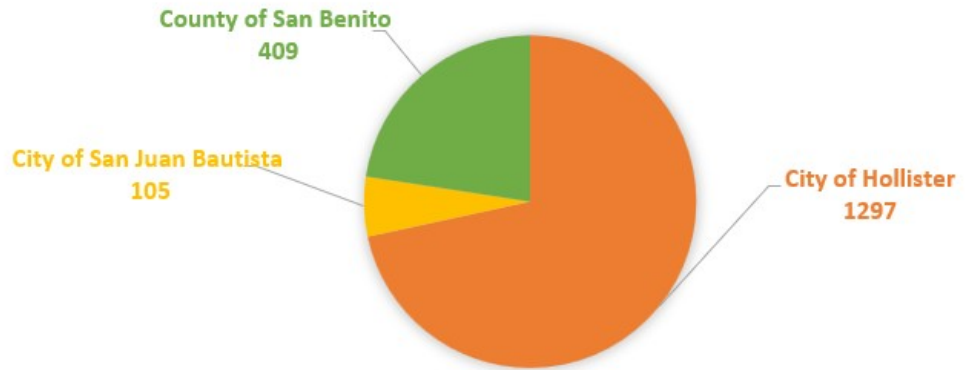




Fire Prevention



INSPECTIONS JANURARY - DECEMBER 2024



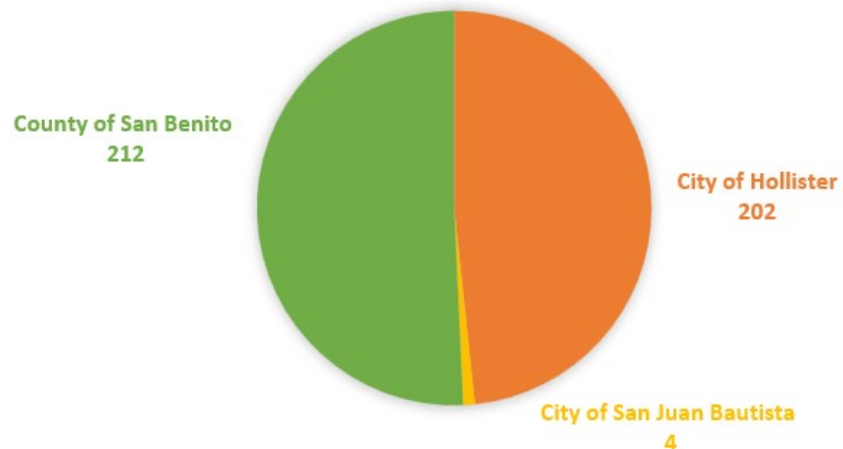
CPR	
Classes	21
Participants	178
Hands-only	100



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**

