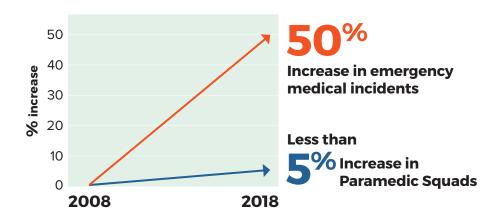


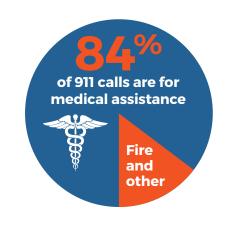
# L.A. County Fire is Your Local Fire Department.

From neighborhood fire stations, L.A. County firefighters and paramedics respond to 911 emergencies at local homes and businesses in your community.



### Additional Resources Needed for Local 911 Fire and Emergency Medical Response and Rescue





## LA County Fire Needs More Local Firefighter/Paramedics on Duty Around the Clock

Increased calls for emergency medical assistance demand greater resources.



#### **Outdated Communications Systems**

L.A. County Fire's communication systems, used for emergency response, lifesaving protection and rescue, date back nearly three decades and are incompatible with wireless networks and other modern digital systems.



# Outdated Lifesaving Rescue Vehicles and Equipment

Fire engines, medical emergency and rescue vehicles are aging and costly to repair and maintain.



# **Additional Resources Would Enable L.A. County Fire to:**



Increase the number of firefighters and paramedics on duty



Ensure local firefighters have the vehicles and equipment to effectively fight house fires and wildfires



Communicate directly with emergency rooms and trauma centers and provide critical information when transporting patients – especially vulnerable people, like seniors or children





Communicate reliably to coordinate fast, effective emergency response – including when it is time to evacuate



Provide emergency tools (like Jaws of Life) to rescue trapped car accident victims, replace defibrillators and other emergency medical response equipment and provide emergency medication



Replace old breathing devices, protective clothing and equipment used by firefighters



Provide firefighters with thermal image cameras to locate and rescue vulnerable citizens unable to escape on their own



Provide real-time mapping software and other advanced technology and upgrade 911 dispatch center computer technology to improve response times



# Addressing Today's Challenges and Planning for the Future

We can't rely on the federal government and outside resources to keep us safe. More than 20 years ago, local voters approved funding for 911 emergency response and fire protection, and it's time to consider strengthening our local commitment to safety.



Your input is important to us.

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