

# Sedgwick County Fire District Number 1 and Valley Center

## VALLEY CENTER FIRE RESPONSE

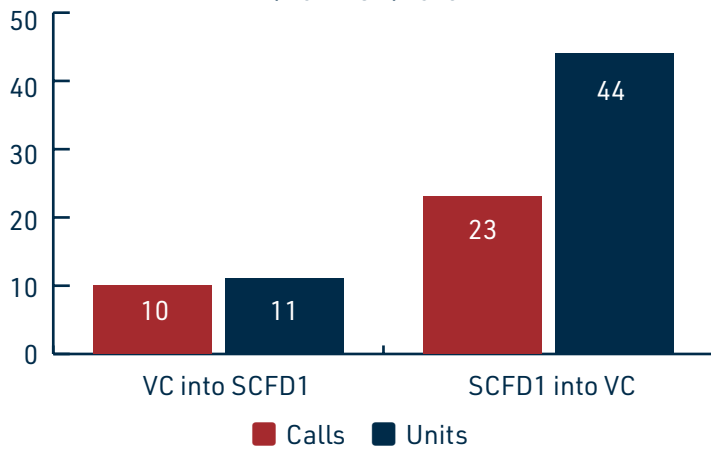
Valley Center Fire Department runs a paid department with a hybrid scheduling model. Three full-time firefighters are on duty every day from 7 a.m.-7 p.m. Responses after 7 p.m. are answered by employees and volunteers through an on-call/paging system.

## MUTUAL/AUTO AID DATA SUMMARY

The red boxes in the graph below show only dispatch data for calls that fall within the respective Mutual/Auto Aid agreement between January 2024 and September 2025. Information in the blue boxes represent total response units that fall **within** the aid agreements.

### MUTUAL/AUTO AID DISPATCHES

1/2024 to 9/2025



#### Additional Responses- VC to SCFD1

VCFD had 2 dispatches with no responses. Of the 10 auto aid dispatches, 4 were working incidents. VCFD responded 4 total units to the 4 working incidents. VCFD had 187 co-responses for their contracted townships, 14 boundary responses, and 11 CAD errors into SCFD1 jurisdiction.

#### Additional Responses - SCFD1 to VC

SCFD1 had 23 Aid responses with 9 of them working incidents. SCFD1 responded a total of 29 units to the 9 working incidents and 44 total to all aid incidents in VC. SCFD1 had 3 boundary responses and 4 other/unknown responses into VCFD jurisdiction.

## EMERGENCY MEDICAL RESPONSE

According to the NFPA, in 2023 approximately 67% of fire department calls in the United States were medical in nature. Given this volume, providing adequate medical response is a critical component for any fire department.

A prime example is the response to cardiac arrest. SCFD1 employs the Pit Crew Model (*see right*), which requires a minimum of 4 fire department personnel and 2 EMS personnel. **Failure to meet these personnel requirements significantly reduces resuscitation effort.**



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Firefighters alternating chest compressions (1&2) and managing airway (3)

TL Firefighter team leader. *Can be in either position.*

CC EMS Code Commander

PM Paramedic

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## WHAT VALLEY CENTER RESIDENTS CURRENTLY PAY FOR FIRE SERVICE

The median home value in Valley Center is estimated at \$250,000, and the total mill for levy for the fire department is estimated to be 10.675. Using the 2025 mill levy formula (see below), a resident with a \$250,000 home would be estimated to be paying \$306.91 a year for fire service from the Valley Center Fire Department.

Appraised Value (Dollars)  $\times$  Residential Assessment Rate (Percentage)  $\times$  Tax Levy Mill Rate (Mills/1000)  $=$  Taxes Due

**EXAMPLE:** \$250,000 x 11.5% x 0.010675 = \$306.91 Taxes Due

## COST FOR FIRE SERVICE WITHIN SEDGWICK COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT NUMBER 1

The current mill levy for SCFD1 is 16.750. Using the same formula as the previous page, a \$250,000 home in Valley Center would pay \$481.56 a year for fire service. This would be an increase of \$174.65 a year, or \$14.55 a month.

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**EXAMPLE:** \$250,000 x 11.5% x 0.016750 = \$481.56 Taxes Due

## WHAT SERVICES DO YOU GET WITH SCFD1?

### Fire Response

Whether it's a residential, commercial, wildland fire, or anything in between, our firefighters are trained and ready to protect your home, family and property with on duty personnel 24 hours a day.

### Emergency Medical Services

Over 70% of our calls are medical in nature. We provide lifesaving care, including CPR, trauma response, and advanced life support.

### Rescue and Specialty Teams

SCFD1 has the expertise to respond to a large variety of specialized emergencies using our highly trained Technical Rescue team, HAZMAT team and our drone program.

### Mutual Aid and Disaster Response

When large-scale emergencies strike, we coordinate with nearby departments to provide support across the regions. SCFD1 serves as the Regional Response Team for the State Fire Marshal for both Hazmat and Technical Rescue.

### Community Risk Reduction

The best way to stop a fire is before it happens. SCFD1's prevention division provides education, code enforcement and training to improve the overall safety of our communities.

*This includes:*

- Plan Reviews and Building Inspections
- Hydrant Inspections
- Professional Fire Investigations
- Youth Fire Safety Intervention Resources and Education (Y-Fire)
- Community Education and Outreach Programs
- Smoke Alarm Program

### Additional Benefits

- Rapid emergency response - 24 hour on duty personnel
- Ongoing firefighter/EMT, AEMT and Paramedic training
- Modern equipment and facilities

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## SCFD1 FINANCIALS

### BUDGET SUMMARY BY CATEGORY

Expenditures	2023	2024	2025	2025	2026	Amount chg '25 Rev. - '26	% Chg '25 Rev.-'26
	Actual	Actual	Adopted	Revised	Budget		
Personnel	17,010,460	19,307,087	20,103,229	20,103,229	20,426,306	323,077	1.61%
Contractual Services	3,915,949	2,083,377	6,601,301	6,619,956	6,957,899	337,943	5.10%
Debt Service	1,108,616	708,065	2,061,502	1,936,502	2,516,987	580,485	29.98%
Commodities	792,430	771,014	1,004,768	1,186,703	1,003,658	(183,045)	-15.42%
Capital Improvements	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Capital Equipment	268,142	540,470	370,000	495,000	280,000	(215,000)	-43.43%
Interfund Transfers	74,442	2,500,000	-	969	-	(969)	-100.00%
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>23,170,039</b>	<b>25,910,014</b>	<b>30,140,800</b>	<b>30,342,360</b>	<b>31,184,850</b>	<b>842,491</b>	<b>2.78%</b>
<b>Revenues</b>							
Tax Revenues	21,570,745	23,092,734	23,867,911	23,867,911	25,298,153	1,430,242	5.99%
Licenses and Permits	10,200	9,725	10,508	10,508	10,019	(489)	-4.66%
Intergovernmental	-	-	-	183,645	-	(183,645)	-100.00%
Charges for Services	747,554	804,110	1,011,460	1,011,460	817,293	(194,167)	-19.20%
All Other Revenue	1,041,962	1,237,028	783,915	801,829	402,642	(399,187)	-49.78%
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>23,370,461</b>	<b>25,143,597</b>	<b>25,673,795</b>	<b>25,875,354</b>	<b>26,528,107</b>	<b>652,753</b>	<b>2.52%</b>

### Full-Time Equivalents (FTEs)

Property Tax Funded	145.00	147.00	153.00	152.50	152.50	-	0.00%
Non-Property Tax Funded	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total FTEs</b>	<b>145.00</b>	<b>147.00</b>	<b>153.00</b>	<b>152.50</b>	<b>152.50</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>0.00%</b>

### BUDGET SUMMARY BY FUND

Fund	2023	2024	2025	2025	2026	Amount chg '25 Rev. - '26	% Chg '25 Rev.-'26
	Actual	Actual	Adopted	Revised	Budget		
Fire District R&D	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Miscellaneous Grants	31,000	-	-	201,559	-	(201,559)	-100.00%
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## ISO RATINGS

The Insurance Services Organization (ISO) Property Protection Class (PPC) program assesses fire-protection efforts throughout the United States and assigns a classification from 1 (superior fire protection) to 10 (doesn't meet minimum criteria). This classification is a proven and reliable predictor of future fire losses and is used by insurance companies to establish fair premiums for fire insurance – generally offering lower premiums in communities with better protection.

**SCFD1 ISO RATING: 2**

VALLEY CENTER ISO RATING: 4

Valley Center's ISO rating relies on the current auto aid agreement with SCFD1 and would likely improve if Valley Center became part of the Fire District. It will likely be negatively impacted without the agreement.

SCFD1 does not use the Valley Center Agreement in its ISO calculations

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