



# Costa Mesa Fire & Rescue (CMFR)

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## General Department Overview & Updates

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City Council Meeting  
October 3, 2023





# Costa Mesa Fire & Rescue Presentation Overview



- INTRODUCTION / BACKGROUND: *Brief Department Overview*

- ANALYSIS & OVERVIEW: *Divisions, Sections and Key Areas*

  - \*GOALS & OBJECTIVES

  - \*ACCOMPLISHMENTS

  - \*CHALLENGES & OPPORTUNITIES

- CONCLUSION / CLOSING SUMMARY







# Costa Mesa City Council, City Leadership Team & The Comprehensive City Team





# Introduction / Background

- CMFR is an “ALL HAZARD” / “ALL RISK” Public Safety Organization
- 97 full-time staff members (85 sworn and 12 civilian personnel)
- CMFR’s overall budget in FY 2023-24 is \$35.8 million
- Emergency Response Provided Through Six Fire Stations – 24/7/365  
*\*1-Adams; 2-Baker; 3-Park; 4-Placentia; 5-Vanguard; and 6-Sakioka*
- CMFR’s Professionals Serving the Community Through Three Integrated and Highly Functioning Divisions:

*\*Administration*

*\*Operations*

*\*Community Risk Reduction*







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# Fire Administration

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# Fire Administration

## OFFICE OF THE FIRE CHIEF



Under the direction of the Fire Chief, the Administration Division is responsible for the oversight of all of CMFR's Divisions, including the delivery of all services, from the budget to strategic planning to human resources to the delivery of services, working towards the most effective and efficient operations of the department, incorporating innovation and new technologies for the future.



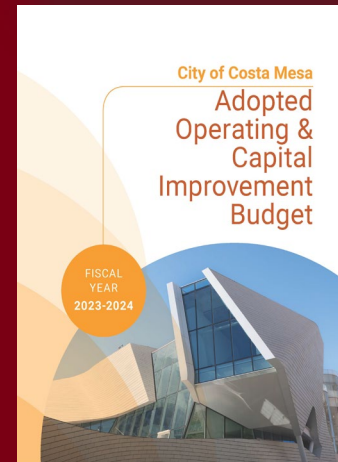
**Lora Ross**

**Kristin Stevens**

Executive Assistant    Senior Management Analyst



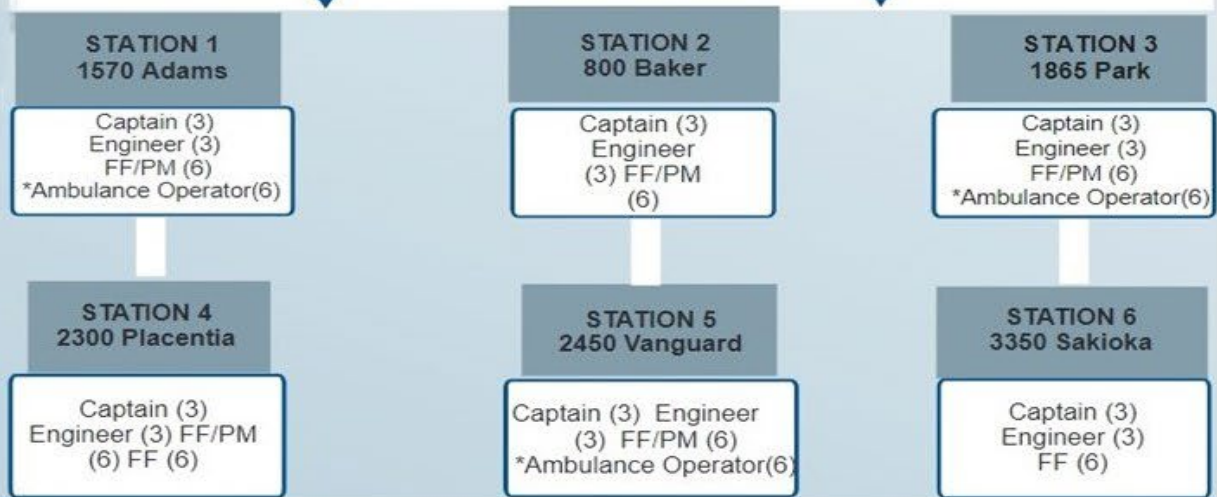
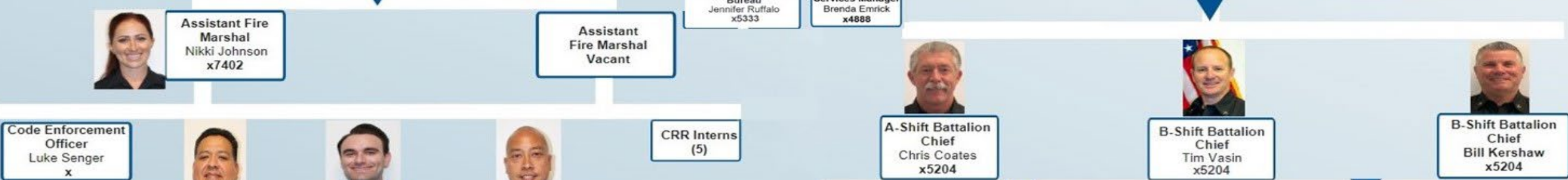
**Costa Mesa Fire & Rescue Command Staff**



**COSTA MESA FIRE & RESCUE**  
**2022-2027 STRATEGIC PLAN**









# COSTA MESA FIRE AND RESCUE



**HONORING THE PAST, LEADING THE PRESENT & EMBRACING THE FUTURE**



## Our Mission:

**“Costa Mesa Fire & Rescue is an all-hazard team dedicated to serving and protecting our community through professionalism, leadership and excellence.”**

- **OUR PEOPLE** (Wellness, Active Leadership, Professional Development & Succession Planning; Those who serve and those who we serve)
- **OUR INFRASTRUCTURE** (Facilities - Fire Station #1, CMFR Regional Fire & Rescue Training Center, Fire Station #2, Fire Station #4 (Living Quarters); New Apparatus, Equipment, ECC, EOC & Technology)
- **OUR SERVICE** (Highest Quality of Customer Service, Appropriate Staffing Deployment, Ongoing Quality Assurance & Closing Gaps – Ambulance Transportation Program, ECC, EOC, Cost Recovery Programs, CRR & Cal OES Regional Leader)
- **OUR TECHNOLOGIES & INNOVATIONS** (Enhanced GIS, Resource & Response Mapping, CAD & RMS Upgrades, Technology Advances, Firefighter Health & Safety and Expanding Innovation)





# Active Leadership, Professional Development & Succession Planning

- ***All ranks and roles, focusing on an unwavering “three-deep” mentality throughout the department.***
- ***“Iron Sharpens Iron”***
- ***Successful completion of CMFR’s comprehensive community driven CMFR Strategic (2022-2027) and Community Outreach Efforts.***



City of Costa Mesa  
Fire & Rescue Department

Strategic Plan  
2015-2020







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# Operations

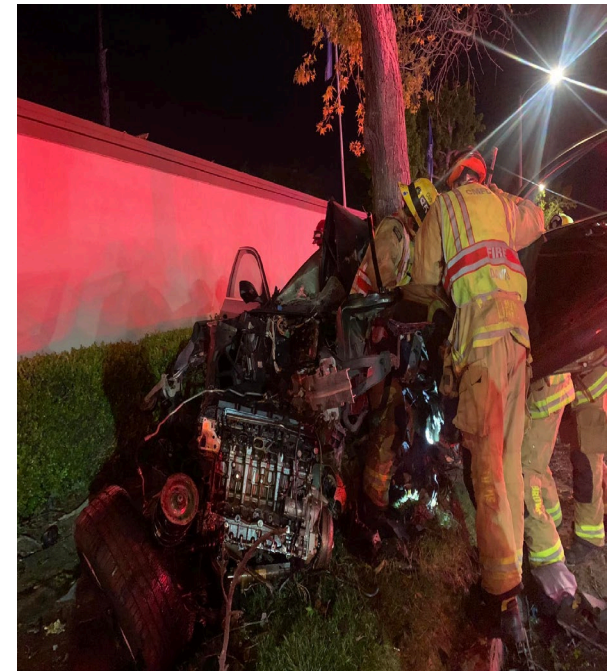
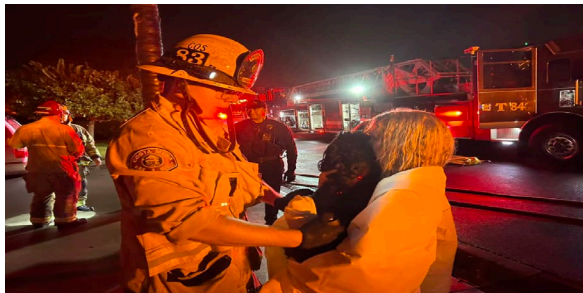
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# Costa Mesa Fire & Rescue - Operations

- 24 hours / 7 week / 365 day a year - Emergency Response
- 6 Fire Stations Strategically Positioned throughout the City.
- 27 Safety (24-hour shift) Personnel on duty per day.
- Responding to All Hazard Emergencies
  - Fire, Search & Rescue, Emergency Medical Services, Environmental Emergencies, Haz Mat, Fire Cause & Origin.
  - Life Safety Inspections , Arson Investigation, High Rise Inspections
  - Drone Program, Fire Cadet Program, Education and Training.
  - California State Office of Emergency Services State Mission;
  - Wildland Fires, Mud and Debris Flow, Search and Rescue.





# Costa Mesa Fire & Rescue Fire Station Locations

## Station #1 – Adams Avenue

- 1 Paramedic Engine Company (4)
- 1 BLS Ambulance (2 Ambulance Operators)
- 1 Battalion Chief (1)
- Reserve Command Vehicle & Reserve Engine

## Station #2 – Baker Street

- 1 Paramedic Engine (4)
- 1 Reserve Engine

## Station #3 – Park Avenue

- 1 1 Paramedic Engine Company (4)
- 1 BLS Ambulance (2 Ambulance Operators)
- 1 CAL OES Type 1 Fire Engine (\*Cross Staffed)

## Station #4 – Placentia Avenue

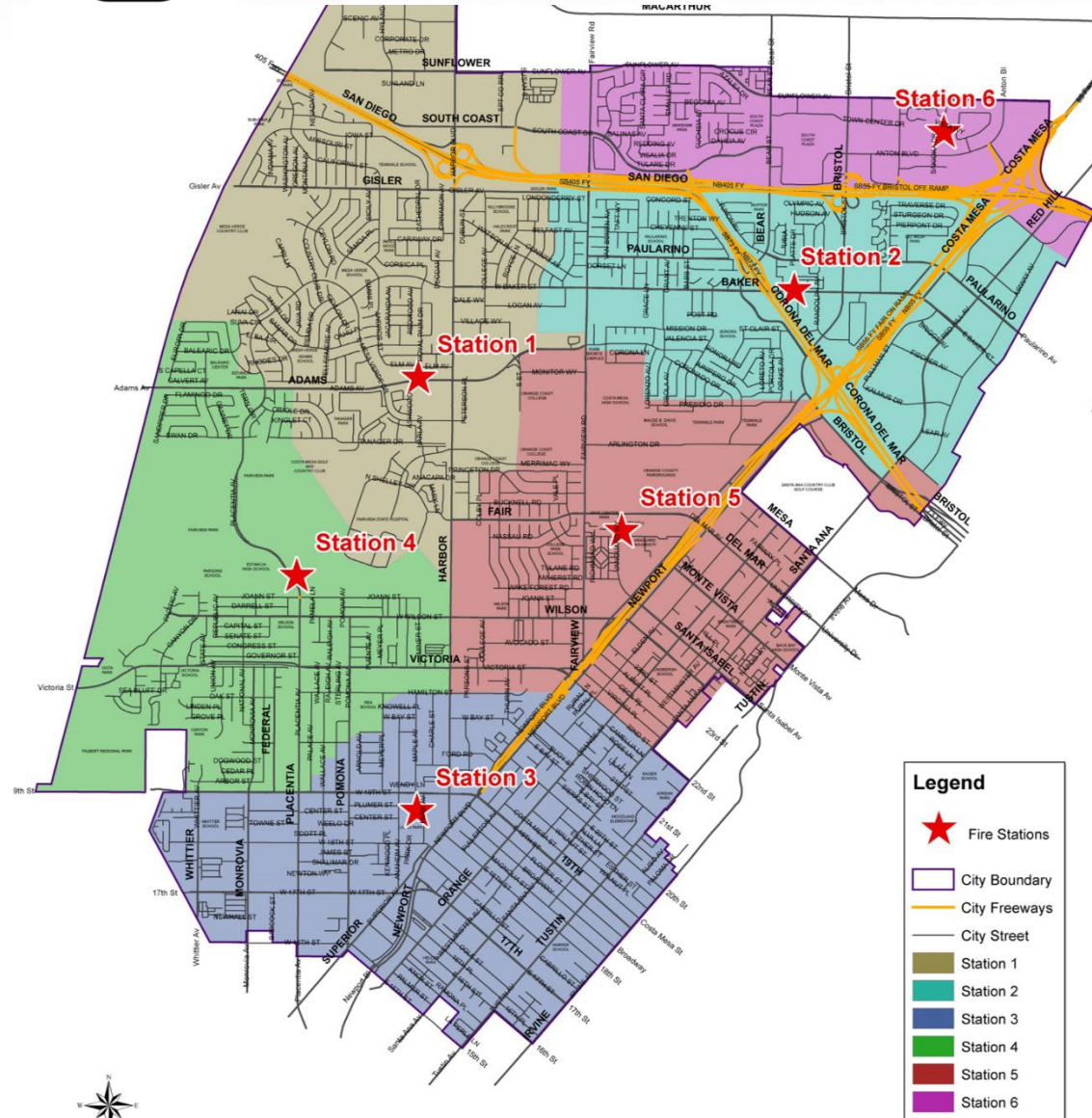
- 1 Aerial Ladder Truck (4)
- 1 Paramedic Rescue Ambulance (2)
- 1 CAL OES Type 6 Wildland Fire Engine (\*Cross Staffed)

## Station #5 – Vanguard Way

- 1 Paramedic Engine (4)
- 1 BLS Ambulance (2 Ambulance Operators)
- 1 CAL OES Type 3 Wildland Fire Engine (\*Cross Staffed)
- 1 Reserve Ambulance

## Station #6 – Sakioka Drive

- 1 Aerial Ladder Truck (4)
- 1 Urban Search & Rescue Apparatus (\*Cross-Staffed)





# Next Generation Technology – Vehicles and Equipment

## New Vehicles, Equipment and Technology:

- *A new Tiller Fire Truck*
- *Triple Combination Pumper Fire Engine*
- *Successful replacement of all six fire/rescue ambulances with two received and the four remaining ambulances currently in the build process.*
- *CMFR recently placed into service the new Zoll X-Series Advanced cardiac monitor/defibrillators & Citywide AED's.*

This new equipment represents the City's investment in the latest technology available to support our delivery of Emergency Medical Services (EMS) throughout the community.





# Costa Mesa Fire & Rescue - Operations

- Annual Metrics in Review
- Call for Service – 14,449 incidents
  - Fires - 251
  - Hazardous Conditions - 167
  - Service Calls - 533
  - EMS / Rescue / Vehicle Accidents - 10,746
  - Good Intent / Help - 2,191
  - Alarms – 553
- Statewide Master Mutual Aid (Cal OES & Local Gov't.)
  - 13 Incidents - 61 Days on Deployment





# Supporting the Statewide Mission As a Regional Leader in Mutual Aid Emergency Response

- ***Costa Mesa Fire & Rescue has firmly established itself as an extraordinary regional partner & leader within California's Statewide Master Mutual Aid Program with local government through formal assignments of three (3) Cal OES Fire Engines, solidified through valued partnerships over the course of the past few years.***
- ***All cross staffed by Costa Mesa Fire & Rescue personnel and reimbursed by the state when deployed as part of California's Master Mutual Aid Program.***



**Type 1 (Structural/All Hazard)**



**Type 3 (Wildland & All Hazard)**



**Type 6 (Wildand & All Hazard Patrol)**





# Emergency Apparatus



Fire Truck / Tiller – Tractor Drawn Aerial



Ambulance Transport



Fire Engine



Heavy Rescue – Urban Search & Rescue





# Costa Mesa Fire & Rescue - Operations

## Fire Operations – A Few Highlights

- Ambulance Transportation Program
  - *Established September 1, 2018*
  - *Local Control / Customized Service to the Community / Mission Focused*
  - *Annual Cost Recovery of over \$4.6 Million / \$16.6 Million*
- Arson Investigation Team & Orange County Intelligence Assessment Center (OCIAC)
  - **Planned Parenthood** – *Fire bombing (Molotov cocktail) of Planned Parenthood Fire Investigation lead to the FBI arresting 3 suspects who are all currently charged by Federal prosecutors with multiple felonies and going through the court process*
  - **Michaels** – *Adult male started a fire inside Michaels Arts and Crafts causing approximately **1 million dollars** in damage to the building and merchandise. Fire Investigation lead to the arrest and **successful conviction** of the suspect.*
  - **Eastside Arsonist** – *Adult female started multiple fires to residential trashcans along the alley on Broadway St. between Tustin & Irvine Blvd. Fires damaged a couple structures. The Fire Investigation lead to the arrest and **successful conviction** of the female for felony arson.*





# Costa Mesa Fire & Rescue

## Active Leadership and Succession Planning

- Orange County Fire Chiefs, Ops Chiefs, Training, EMS, Fire Marshals & CRR
- Orange County Cities Hazardous Materials Emergency Response Authority
- Orange County USAR Program Manager
- UAWG/UASI – Urban Area Working Group - Harbor Area Rep.
- Santa Ana College Fire Technology Advisory Committee
- CalChiefs – Past President
- CalChiefs Operations Southern Section – President
- CalChiefs Training Officers Southern Section – Executive Board
- Cal Cities – Board of Directors, Past President of Fire Chiefs Department & Policy Committees
- Blue Print 2030 – State Fire Training Strategic Plan Development Team
- STEAC – State Training Education Advisory Committee







# Emergency Medical Services



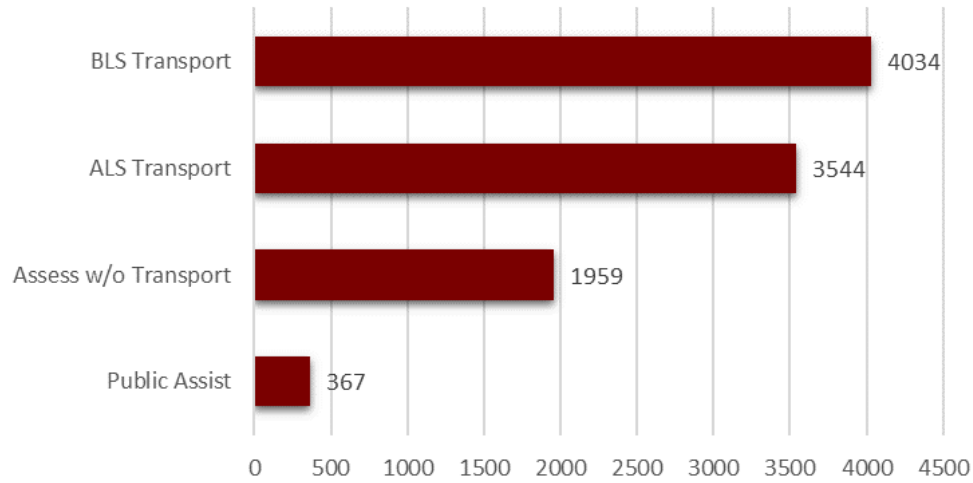
Fire Captain / EMS Manager Justin Horner



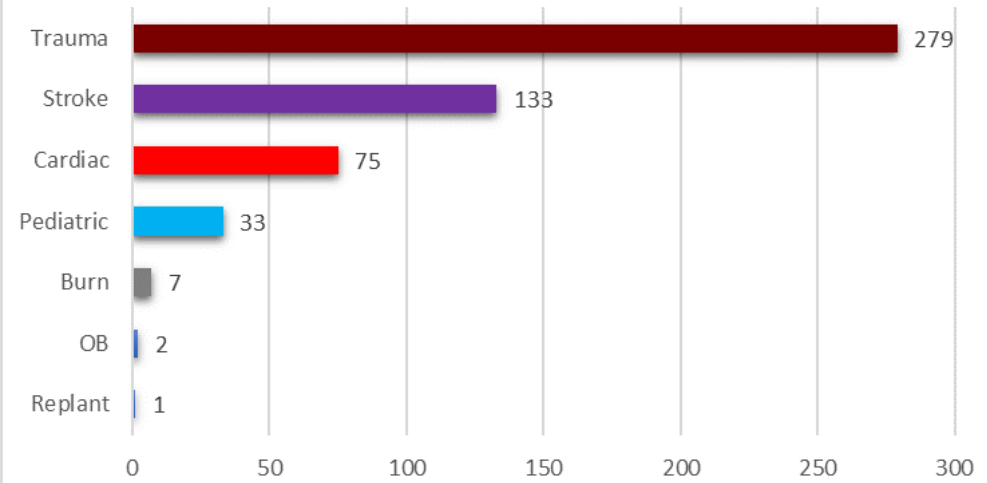


# Emergency Medical Services

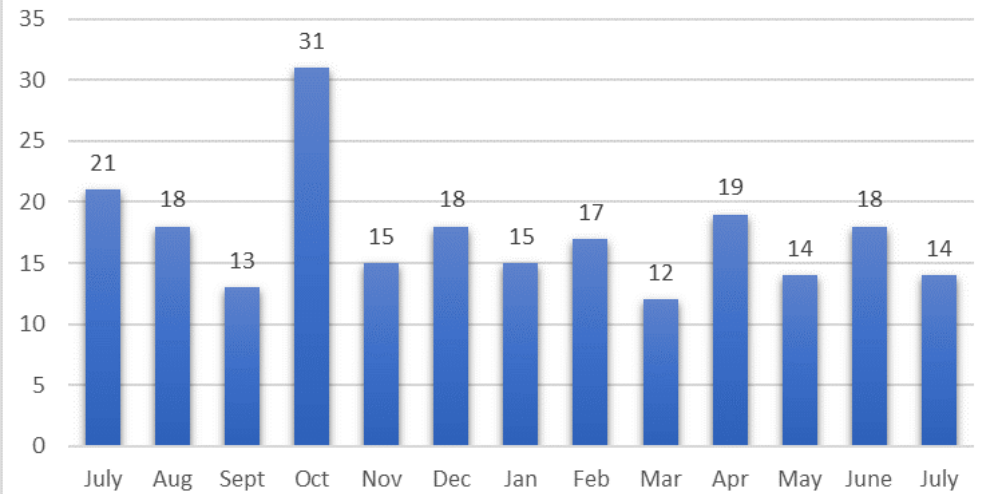
### FY 22/23 EMS Activity



### FY 22/23 Specialty Center Transports

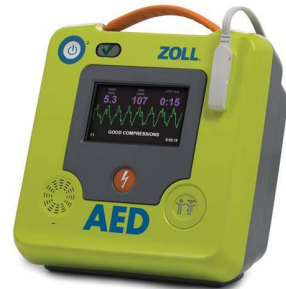


### FY 22/23 Narcan Administration





# Zoll Monitor/Defibrillator, AED, Autopulse



## ZOLL Capabilities

- Blood Pressure
- Pulse Oximetry
- Carbon Monoxide
- End-Tidal Carbon Dioxide
- ECG Cardiac Monitoring
- 12-Lead ECG
- Transcutaneous Pacing
- Synchronized Cardioversion
- Defibrillation
- Manual CPR Feedback
- Ventilation Feedback
- Automated CPR
- Data Transmission
- Universal Defibrillation Pads





# CARDIAC ARREST MANAGEMENT



## Neurologically Intact Discharges

- 68 y/o male at work
- 75 y/o female leaving a restaurant
- 62 y/o male driving his car
- 42 y/o male at work
- 50 y/o female at work

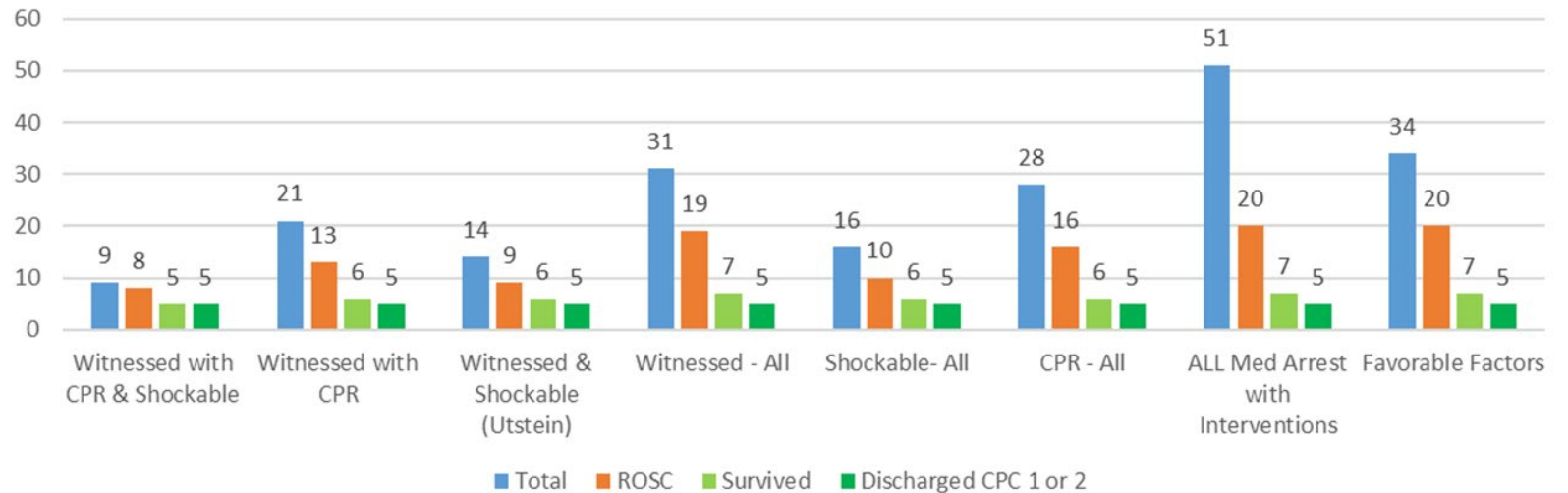
2023 Cardiac Arrest Detail (Jan 1 - Sep 11)

### Neurologically Intact Discharge

Utstein - 36%, Favorable - 15%

### ROSC Rates

Utstein - 64%, Favorable - 59%







# Training, Safety & Professional Standards

**Fire Captain Chuck Torres**





# Building on our Past and Present, Achieving Goals Everyday for the Future!

## A Comprehensive Internal CMFR Training Program

- *Training Hours – 2 hours a day, 20 a month, 240 a year*
- *Department Wide Training Hours exceed 20,000 hours*
- *Enhanced Probationary Academy*
- *Multi-agency training among our neighboring agencies*
  - *Wildland Refresher training with Anaheim, Orange, and Fullerton Fire Departments*
  - *Upcoming Hazardous Material training with Huntington Beach, Newport, and Laguna Beach Fire Departments*
  - *Hosted Regional Urban Search and Rescue Training*
  - *Hosted Regional Annual Entrapment Symposium*

## Continuous Identification of Leadership Development

- *Implemented basic and advanced training to support our “three-deep” mentality for succession planning*
- *Numerous members increasing their skill sets, preparing to become State Certified Instructors*





# Training, Safety & Professional Standards

- Increase in Professional Development, Specialized Certifications, Formal Education, Active Leadership & Succession Planning.
- Implementing a current Training Learning Management System and implemented a new program Advanced Problem Solving (APS).
  - *Implemented a new program platform with increased innovations in training dissemination, record keeping, and continuous education delivery*
  - *APS falls in line to help us achieve our Strategic Plan Goals and Objectives, Accreditation, and Class 1 recognition*

Continuous evaluation of current members as Subject Matter Experts to address the list of priorities of the department.





# Costa Mesa Fire & Rescue Training, Safety & Professional Standards

- *Training & Succession Planning*
- *Fire Service Health & Wellness*
- *Wellness & Fitness*
- *Peer Support*
- *Chaplain Program*
- *Cancer Awareness & Prevention*







# Costa Mesa Fire & Rescue Regional Training Center





# Training – New Regional Facility

- **New Regional Fire & Rescue Training Facility** –
- Costa Mesa's Fire & Rescue Regional Training Facility, in partnership local and state elected officials, including Assembly Member Cottie Petrie-Norris, the Governor's Office, and the City team, CMFR secured \$2.5 million in direct funding toward the rebuild of the expanded Costa Mesa's Regional Fire and Rescue Training Facility. The design process is complete and the official groundbreaking is tentatively set for the end of the year, following the release of the RFP for the General Contractor.





# Regional Fire & Rescue Training Facility

- State allocated \$2.5 million through partnership and advocacy with the Governor's Office and Assembly Member Cottie Petrie-Norris
- City allocated an additional \$1.1 mil
- Current Structure:
  - > 50 years – building integrity compromised and unsafe to train
- Project Scope
  - Demolition and replacement of existing structure
  - Upgraded training grounds
  - Enhanced features of the regional facility





# Regional Fire & Rescue Training Facility

- *State of the art training facility (Sourcewell contract: \$2.3 million)*
- *Regional Resource*
- *Multi-discipline (fire, ventilation, forcible entry, rappelling, search & rescue)*
- *Water Reclamation*
- *Including a Class B burn room (propane) to reduce carbon emissions*
- *ADA Bathrooms & Shower Areas*
- *Solar panels*







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# Community Risk Reduction

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# Community Risk Reduction

The Community Risk Reduction (CRR) Division develops and enforces local fire, life safety, property, and environmental protection standards and coordinates community preparedness activities including volunteer, outreach, education, training and response programs for a universal strategy of community risk reduction.





# Community Risk Reduction

CRR Division acts as CMFR's liaison to internal departments and external agencies and committees.

- **City Managers Office:** Network for Homeless Solutions and City Safety Committee.
- **Public Works:** Collaboration on Speed Hump, Protected Bike Lanes, I-405 Closures, and Traffic Calming installations. Fire Station facilities maintenance program to maximize existing facility utilization. Design, construction, and project management of new facilities.
- **Police Department:** 4<sup>th</sup> of July, Illegal Cannabis Inspection Warrants, Special Event Coordination.
- **Parks and Community Services:** Special Event Permits, Fairview Park Administrator, Senior Center Outreach and Support.
- **Information Technology:** Tyler Fire Inspect implementation.
- **Development Services:** TESSA Implementation, Measure X Permits, Development Review Coordination, and Building Construction Inspections.





# Community Risk Reduction

## All-Hazard Approach to CRR:

- *Annual and Triennial inspections of existing occupancies and buildings based on hazard*
- *Design and construction of new occupancies and buildings or changes in use based on the Fire Code and Referenced Standards*
- *Community outreach and education based on specific needs, urgent concerns, or long-term mitigation efforts*







## Annual and Triennial Inspections Based on Hazard

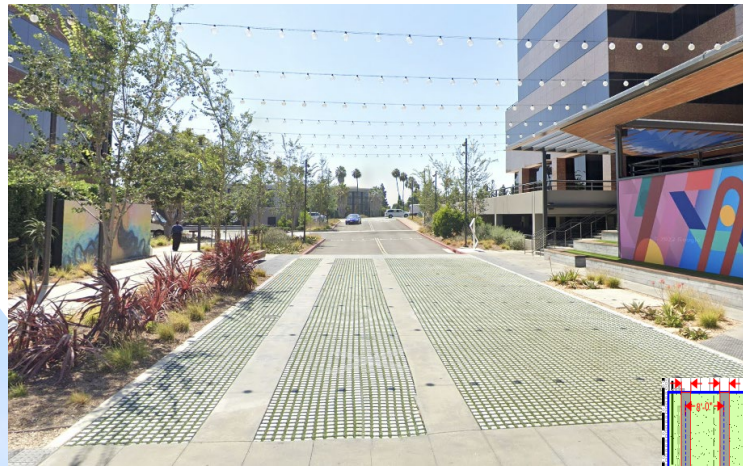
- *Annual Apartment, Hotel, Educational, and High-rise inspections in 100% compliance with SB 1205 (unfunded State mandate): **2,296***
- *Annual Operational Permit Program: **614***
- *Triennial Company Inspections (low hazard occupancies): **low hazard business inspections were on hold to limit COVID-19 exposure.***
- *Initiated Fire Prevention Mobile inspection application implementation concurrently with TESSA.*





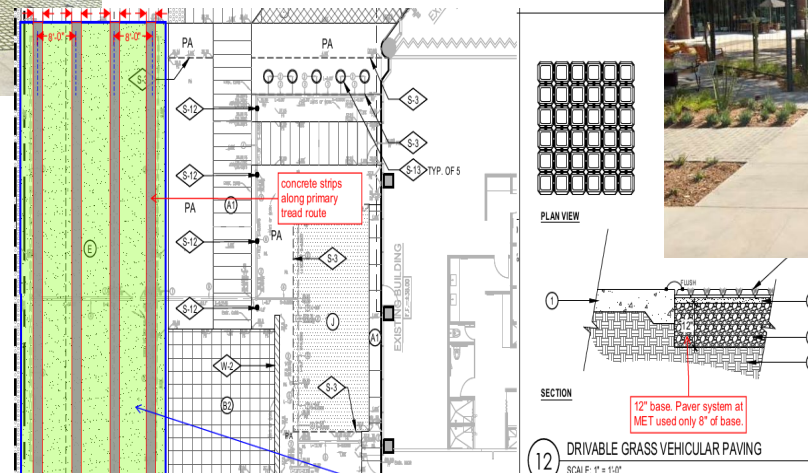
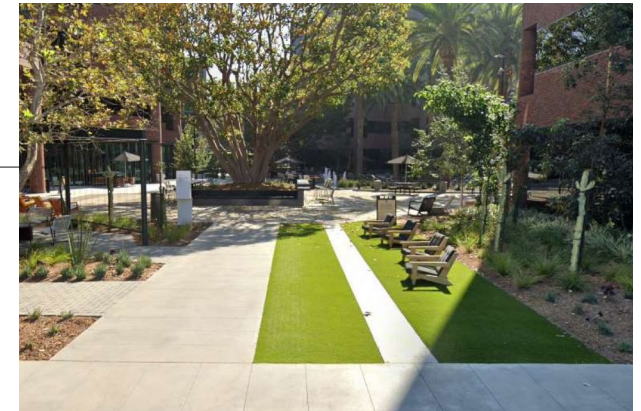


# Community Risk Reduction & Fire Prevention Through Design



## Development Plan Review & Entitlement:

- 101 Plan Reviews



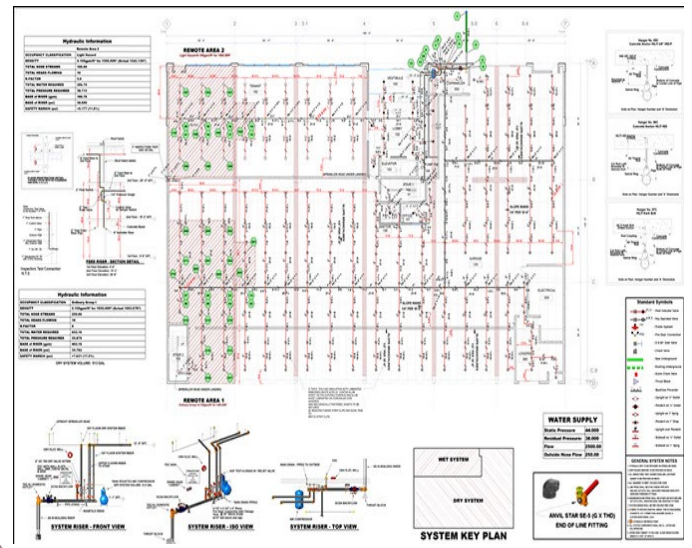




# Community Risk Reduction & Fire Prevention through Design

## Plan Review or Building and Fire Protection Systems:

- *825 Plan Reviews (Construction Permits)*







## Community Risk Reduction through Fire Prevention Inspections

Construction Inspections and Acceptance Tests:

Sprinklers – 190

Alarms – 116

Hoods – 24

Underground – 9

Fire Pumps – 2

Clean Agent Systems – 2

Total – 343



Support professional trades and business owners with assessments of technical fire code requirements.





# Code Enforcement

Code enforcement is utilized by the Fire Department to mitigate violations from both prevention and suppression inspections through the progressive discipline process.

Common fire code enforcement violations are unpermitted spray booths, illegal dispensaries, delinquent fire operational permits, and other fire and life safety related complaints based on the California Fire Code.

The code enforcement position is the starting point of our succession plan for the CRR division. This position exposes new staff to all aspects of the city, its rules and regulations, and most importantly allows the officer to submerge themselves into the California Fire Code and Reference Standards.

Each one of our Fire Protection Specialists began their careers as a Code Enforcement Officer.



# Community Education & Outreach

Title	2020	2021	2022
Hands on only CPR (participants)	40	0	441
Station tours (participants)	2,345	0	135
Special events	6	14	135
Volunteer hours CERT/Fire corps	5,391	3,672	6,025
Presentations (participants)	6,843	9,500	10,131



Community Engagement





# Community Education & Outreach

- CMFR Honor Guard
- CERT Program
- Fire Cadet Program
- Citizens Fire Academy
- Fire Corps
- Business Preparedness Academy
- Fire Intern Program
- Ambulance Operator Program
- Community Speakers Bureau
- NMUSD Partnership



# ANNUAL OPEN HOUSE

JOIN US FOR A DAY OF SAFETY INTERACTION AND FUN!



MEET OUR TEAM AND TAKE PART IN A FIRE GROUND CHALLENGE!

## SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7 10 AM - 2 PM

**Join Costa Mesa Fire & Rescue for our Annual Fire Prevention Month Recognition!**

Come meet your local firefighters and department staff, observe the operations of front-line fire equipment and take part in a fire ground challenge event for adults and kids!

**FREE EVENT | FREE PARKING**  
FREE PARKING AVAILABLE AT ESTANCIA HIGH SCHOOL.



scan the code for a full schedule

# CASA ABIERTA ANUAL

ÚNASE A NOSOTROS PARA UNA INTERACCIÓN SEGURA Y DIVERTIDA.



CONOZCA A NUESTRO EQUIPO Y PARTICIPE EN UN DESAFÍO DE BOMBEROS.

## SÁBADO 7 DE OCTUBRE 10 AM - 2 PM

**¡Únase a Costa Mesa Fire and Rescue para nuestro reconocimiento del Mes Anual de la Prevención de Incendios!**

Conozca a sus bomberos locales y al personal del departamento, observe el funcionamiento de los equipos de primera línea y participe en un reto de operaciones de bomberos para adultos y

**EVENTO GRATIS | ESTACIONAMIENTO GRATIS**  
ESTACIONAMIENTO GRATUITO DISPONIBLE EN LA ESCUELA DE ESTANCIA HIGH SCHOOL



Escanee el código para ver el programa completo



# Closing Summary

## GOALS AND OBJECTIVES:

### Goals and Objectives

The goals and objectives of the Fire and Rescue Department were developed in alignment with the City Council's priorities.



Quality Recruitment



Fiscally Sustainable



Safe Community



Environmental Sustainability



Housing Commitments

### GOALS AND OBJECTIVES



1	Upgrade CMFR technological infrastructure by investing in departments equipment, systems, and personnel to enhance and sustain high service levels	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
2	Evaluate, develop and execute comprehensive administrative and operational staffing levels to enhance and advance departments ability to meet and exceed community expectations, governance and department objectives	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
3	Upgrade CMFR's infrastructure by investing in departments facilities, equipment and systems	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
4	Complete the build process and place into service a new Tiller Truck and Fire Engine	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
5	Progress forward with the construction design phase of Fire Station no. 2's rebuild	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
6	Complete the design and construction phases of CMFR's Regional Fire and Training Facility	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
7	Complete Firefighter and Firefighter/Paramedic recruitment	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	





# Closing Summary

## ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

- *Wellness, Active Leadership, Professional Development & Succession Planning.*
- *CMFR Regional Fire & Rescue Training Center & Fire Station #2 are in progress, as well as new apparatus and ambulances.*
- *Ambulance Transportation & CRR Cost Recovery Programs continue to be refined and grow.*
- *Regional & Statewide leader in Cal OES Mutual Aid.*
- *Expanding our Community Outreach Efforts.*
- *Engaging & Embracing New Technologies & Innovations.*





# Closing Summary

## CHALLENGES:

- *Previous lack of timely and appropriate planning and funding for infrastructure, including facilities, apparatus and citywide integrated technologies, the latter of which will be largely remedied approved and fully funded 5-Year Information Technology Strategic Plan and the implementation of a new CAD RMS system in 2025-26.*
- *Changing social, economic and political influences/movements/generational ideologies.*
- *The impacts of unfunded state mandates & legislation.*
- *Increased housing costs that are requiring the workforce to move much farther distances from work.*





# Closing Summary

## OPPORTUNITIES:

- *The foundation and roadmap have been definitively put into place for formal Accreditation & Class 1 Department Recognition to be achieved within the next 3-5 years.*
- *Our strong local, regional, statewide partnerships.*
- *Incorporating environmentally mindful and financially sound approaches to citywide services.*
- *Incorporating more community-based outreach programs and recruitment approaches to develop and implement that draws from the schools and communities in the city.*
- *Community – those who serve and those who we serve.*





# COSTA MESA FIRE AND RESCUE



THANK YOU! - COSTA MESA FIRE FAMILY STRONG!



# POLICE DEPARTMENT OVERVIEW & ACCOMPLISHMENTS



**CHIEF RON LAWRENCE**





## MISSION

The Costa Mesa Police Department is dedicated to serving the community by upholding the law and enhancing public safety with honor and respect.

## VISION

The vision of the Costa Mesa Police Department is to strengthen community safety through innovative policing while inspiring a culture of collaboration and well-being.





# VALUES

**Professionalism:** To deliver the highest level of customer service through exemplary conduct, behavior, and character.

**Integrity:** Maintain the public trust through honor and ethics.

**Empathy:** Exercising emotional intelligence to understand and be sensitive to others' circumstances.

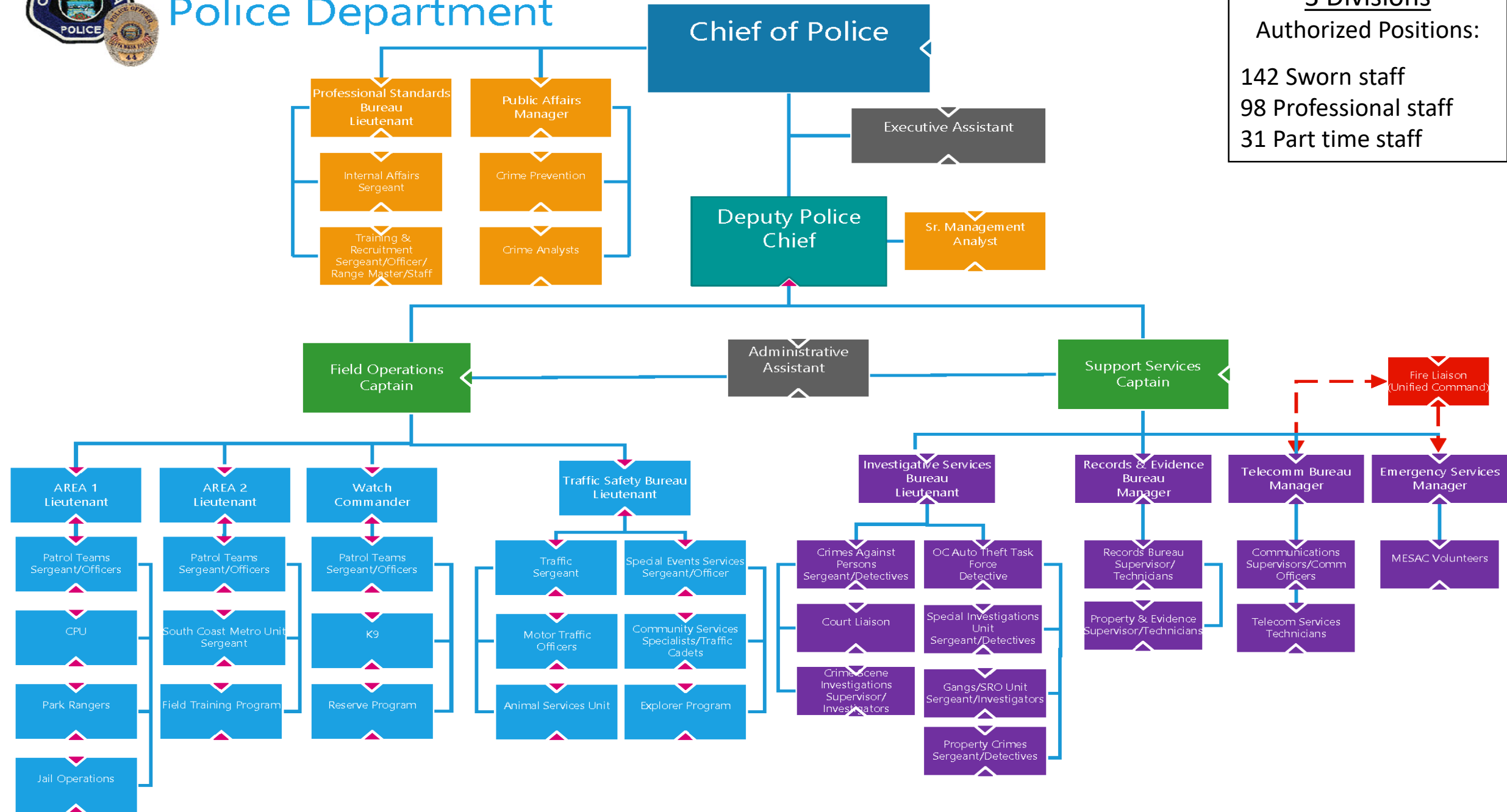
**Courage:** The mental and moral strength to do the right thing in the most challenging moments.

# HONORED TO SERVE





# Police Department



**3 Divisions**  
 Authorized Positions:  
 142 Sworn staff  
 98 Professional staff  
 31 Part time staff



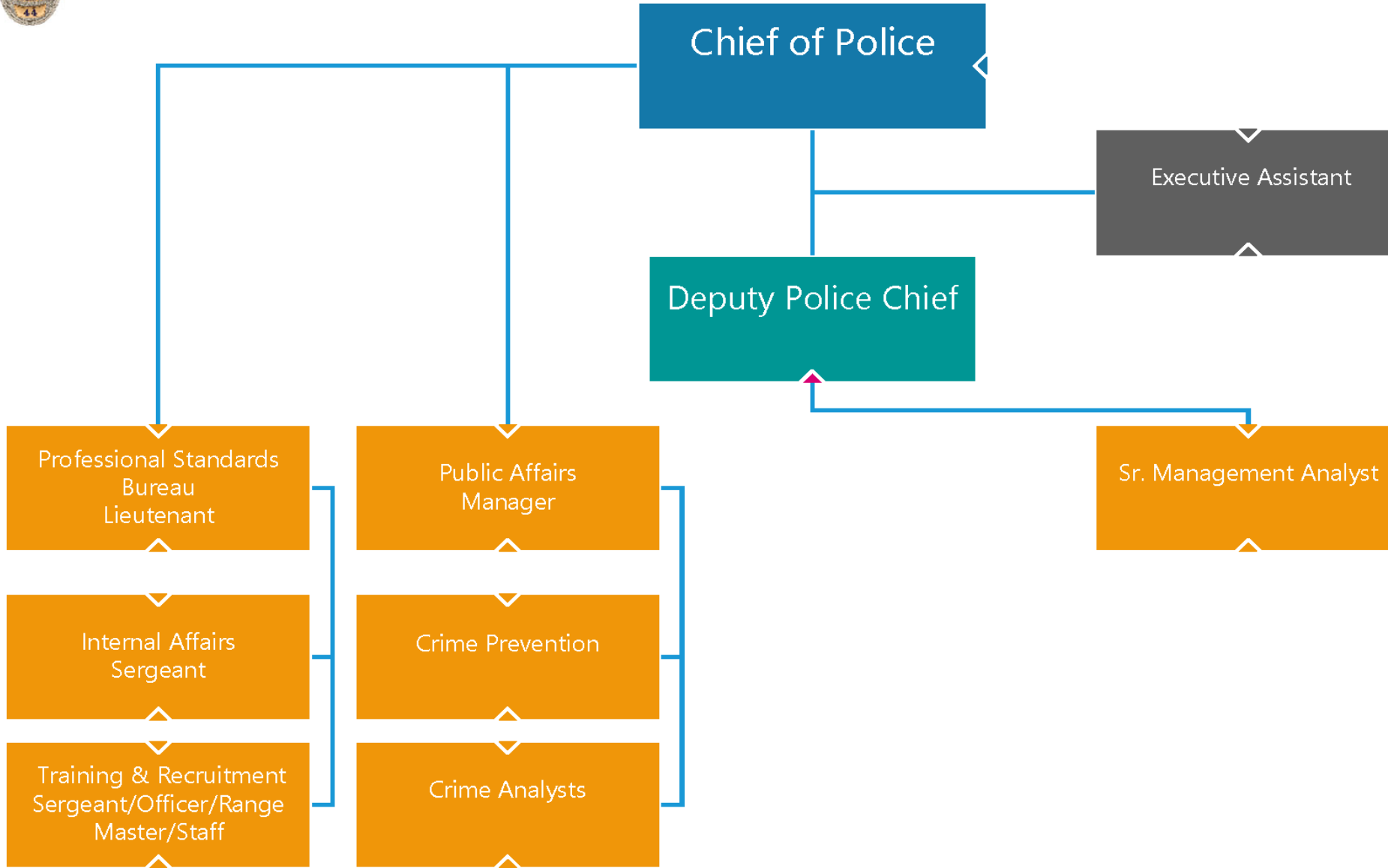
# ADMINISTRATION DIVISION

Deputy Police Chief Joyce LaPointe





# Administration





# PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS

## Internal Affairs

- Policies and procedures
- Ensure highest ethical standards and accountability

## Training - Exceeds industry standards

- Fair & Impartial Policing/Implicit Bias Training
- Leadership Development
- Strategic Communication/De-escalation
- Arrest and Control
- Tactical Emergency First Aid and Trauma Care



# SUCCESSION PLANNING, RECRUITMENT & RETENTION



	2022	2023 YTD
RETIREMENTS	6	6
PROMOTIONS	13	15
NEW HIRES	24	23

\* Includes professional and sworn staff



Preparing for future retirements: anticipate 30 officers in the next 5 years

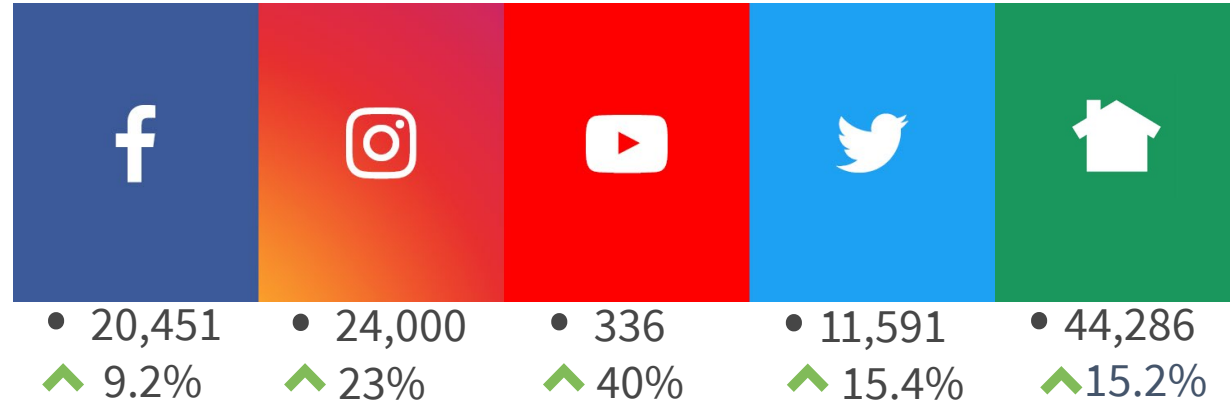




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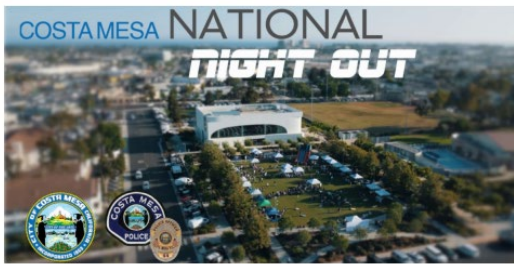
## Social Media Followers



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### AUGUST BEGAN WITH NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

The Costa Mesa Police Department (CMPD) hosted its annual National Night Out (NNO) on a Tuesday evening, August 2, at Lions Park. National Night Out is an annual event that promotes public safety, community partnerships, and neighborhood camaraderie. It provides a great opportunity to bring police and the community together under positive circumstances. The activities included a DJ and music, an inflatable slide, face painting, balloon artist, caricature artist, photo booth, arts and crafts, lawn games, BBQ hot dogs, ice cream, and raffle prizes.

The department would like to extend a special *thank you* to the following team members that helped make this event successful:

Daily Pilot

Man who allegedly defaced tribute to O.C. 'poderosas' arrested after showing for court appearance in another case



Artist Abiza Rigas paints over white supremacist graffiti tagged on Costa Mesa's Poderosas mural on Oct. 31. The man who reportedly committed the vandalism was arrested Monday. (Darin Lench / Staff Photographer)

BY SARA CARONE | STAFF WRITER  
JAN. 31, 2023 5:55 PM PT

Daily Pilot

Costa Mesa police unveil new mobile command vehicle after years of planning



The brand new chief of the Costa Mesa Police Department's new mobile command vehicle on Thursday. The \$1.1 million vehicle replaces an eight-year-old vehicle. (Sara Carone / Staff Photographer)

BY SARA CARONE | STAFF WRITER  
FEB. 9, 2023 10:27 PM PT



# COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

## CRIME PREVENTION

The Crime Prevention Unit has 47 active Neighborhood Watch groups



## EVENTS

National Night Out, Bike Rodeos, Coffee with a Cop, Trunk or Treat, RX Drug Take Back, Open House, Back to School Events



## LISTENING TOURS

Chief Lawrence was accompanied by Mayor Stephens and respective Council Member in each district to listen to community concerns



## SHOP WITH A COP

Department members treated students to breakfast at IHOP and shopping at Target for Christmas



## FOR A CAUSE

Pink Patch Program raised \$3000 for City of Hope. The Movember campaign raised \$4000 for prostate cancer awareness. Motorhome Madness raised funds for CHOC





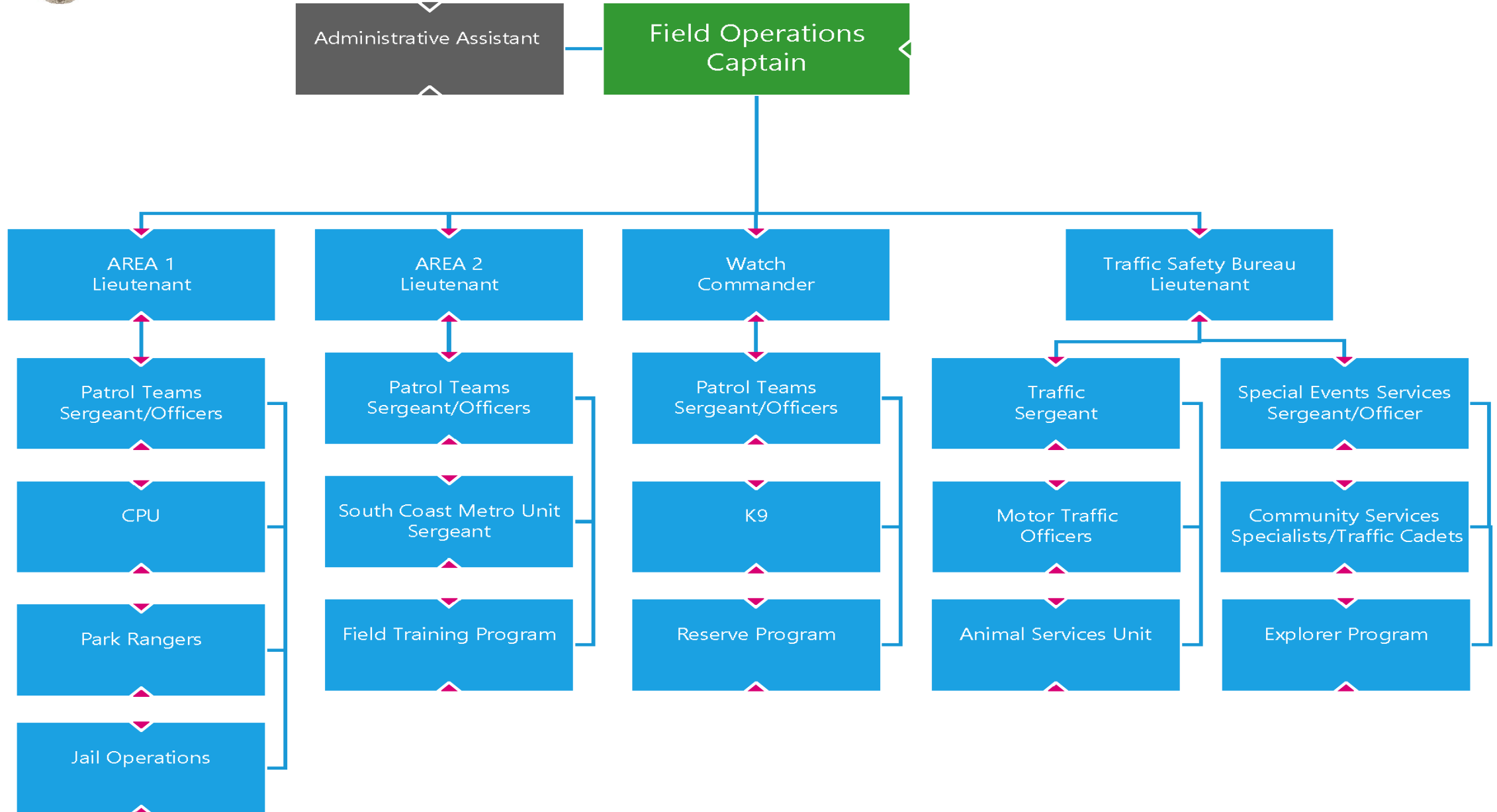
# FIELD OPERATIONS DIVISION

Captain Bryan Wadkins





# Field Operations





# SPECIALIZED UNITS AND PROGRAMS

- South Coast Plaza Unit
- Community Policing Unit & Park Rangers
- UAS/Drone Program
- Reserve Program
- Field Training Program
- K-9 Program
- Explorer Program
- Wellness/Peer Support
  - Wellness Grant - \$93,376.99
- Animal Services Unit
  - FY23-24 management of shelter and pet licensing
  - Currently 2 animal control officers expanding to 3 and a supervisor



# FIELD OPERATIONS STATISTICS



FIELD OPERATIONS	2022	2023 YTD
PATROL CALLS FOR SERVICE	131,411	76,468
OFFICER INITIATED ACTIVITY	31,098	20,023
<b>TOTAL INCIDENTS</b>	<b>162,509</b>	<b>94,491</b>

ARRESTS	2022	2023 YTD
FELONY ARRESTS	2,070	1,002
MISDEMEANOR ARRESTS	4,847	3,465
<b>TOTAL ARRESTS</b>	<b>6,917</b>	<b>4,667</b>





# INNOVATIVE TECHNOLOGIES

- Automated License Plate Readers
  - Began February 1, 2023
  - 31 ALPR at strategic locations throughout the city
  - Transparent policy and locations posted on department website
  - 56 occupied stolen vehicles recovered
  - 60 felony arrests made
  - \$800,000 stolen vehicles recovered



- UAS Drone Program
  - Expanded the program in 2021
  - 40 missions flown in 2022
  - 13 pilots – collateral assignment



- GPS Bait Tag Program
  - Began March 2023
  - 13 operations since March
  - 9 felony arrests

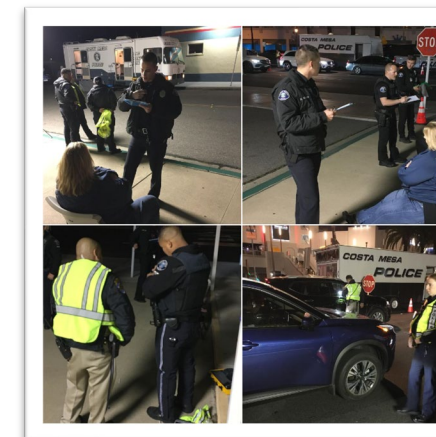


# TRAFFIC SAFETY BUREAU

- Reduce traffic injuries and collisions through education and enforcement
- 2 officers in DUI Enforcement Team
  - 5 officers recognized by MADD for DUI enforcement efforts

	2022	2023 YTD
DUI ARRESTS	941	653
TOTAL CRASHES	1578	1074

- Strategic Enforcement Against Racing and Reckless Driving (STEARRD) taskforce
- Education and community outreach
  - Bicycle safety presentations & rodeos at schools
  - Coordinate bike to school & walk to school events
  - Social media outreach & education for e-bike safety
  - Neighborhood watch events





# TRAFFIC SPECIAL EVENTS



**2022 OTS GRANT** | \$265,000 grant awarded by Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) to focus on impaired & distracted driving, bicycle & pedestrian safety, officer training, and DUI/DL checkpoints.



**WALK TO SCHOOL** | The Traffic Safety Bureau assisted in Walk to School to ensure students could participate safely. A total of 12 schools participated.



**OC MARATHON** | Annually, the Traffic Safety Bureau assists with the OC marathon, OC Half Marathon and 5K to ensure runners and drivers were kept safe during the event.



**OC FAIR & CHARGERS CAMP** | The Traffic Safety Bureau provided traffic control for the OC Fair, as well as the LA Chargers training camp at Jack Hammett Sports Complex.



# JAIL OPERATIONS

- FY22-23 CMPD Jail Operations reestablished
- Hired 8 of 10 full-time custody officers & 1 custody supervisor
- 5,194 arrestees were booked in CMPD jail during 2022





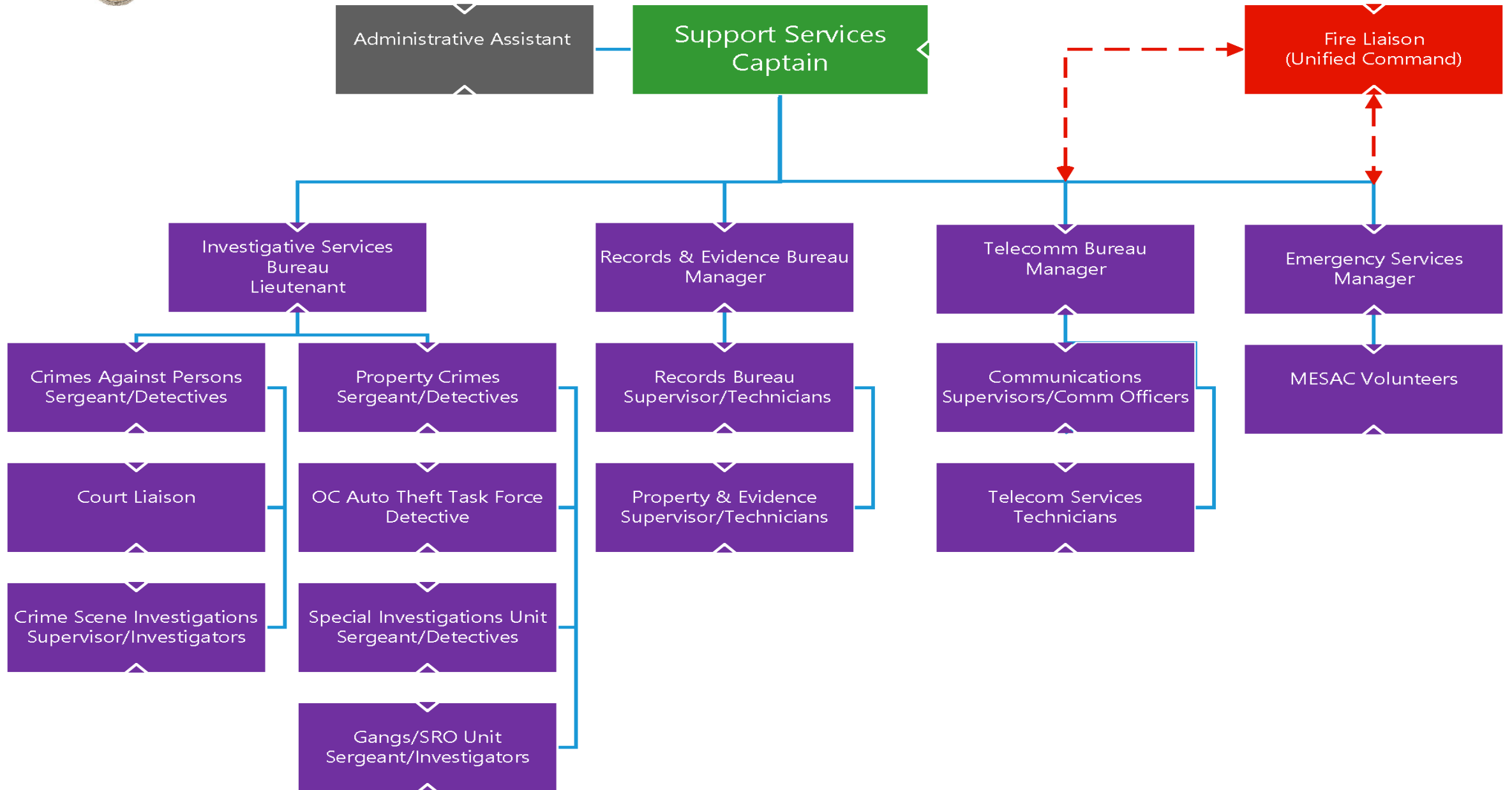
# SUPPORT SERVICES DIVISION

Captain Jason Chamness



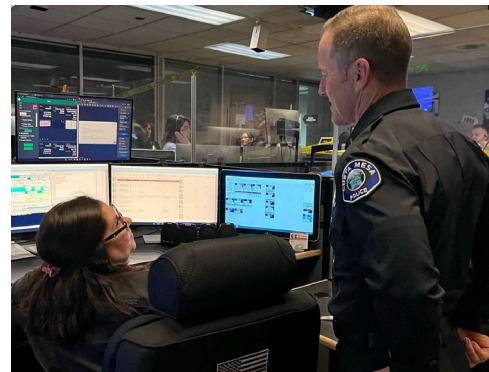


# Support Services





# SUPPORT SERVICES STATISTICS



COMMUNICATIONS	2022
INCOMING CALLS	153,064
911 CALLS	48,274
TEXT TO 911	230
911 CALLS ANSWERED IN LESS THAN 15 SECONDS	48,116

Industry standard: 911 calls should be answered within 15 seconds, 95% of the time (NENA – National Emergency Number Association)

RECORDS	2022
TOTAL REPORTS	20,050
ONLINE REPORTS	511

PROPERTY & EVIDENCE	2022
PROCESSED	12,297
DESTROYED	9,807

CRIME SCENE INVESTIGATIONS	2022
SCENE PROCESSED	783



# SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS UNIT

Calendar Year 2022



SIU OPERATIONS	VICE OPERATIONS	ILLEGAL FIREARMS
220 Total Arrests by SIU	54 Undercover Vice Operations	7 Firearm Arrests by SIU
142 Undercover Operations	32 Vice Arrests	29 Seized/Recovered Firearms by SIU
7 Enforcement on Unlicensed Cannabis Manufactures & Dispensaries	<b>NARCOTICS</b>	
107 Massage Establishments Permit Checks	528 lbs. Methamphetamine Seized	173 Total Firearms Seized/Recovered Department Wide
45 Search Warrants	507,668 Fentanyl Pills Seized	
	\$159,979 Illicit Cash Seized	





# GANG INVESTIGATIONS UNIT

- Gang Reduction and Intervention Partnership (GRIP)
- Community outreach
- Graffiti prevention
  - 30 Investigations
  - 53 Arrests

	2022
Misdemeanor Arrests	157
Felony Arrests	258
<b><u>TOTAL ARRESTS</u></b>	<b><u>415</u></b>
Gang Contacts	623
Firearms Seized	20
Search Warrants	36



# SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER

- 3 School Resource Officers (SRO)
  - Estancia High School
  - Costa Mesa High School
  - Back Bay High School

	2022
Presentations	66
School Investigations	417
Meetings	888
Students Counseled	928
Enforcement Actions	92





# ORGANIZED RETAIL THEFT GRANT

- \$3.5 million dollar grant over three years targeting Organized Retail Theft, Vehicle Theft and Vehicle Accessory Theft (catalytic converters)
- \$2.5 million in personnel cost for directed enforcement
- \$804,000 equipment and software
- \$115,000 training and education



Organized  
*Retail*  
Crime



# SPECIALIZED UNITS AND PROGRAMS

- OCIAC/TLO – OC Intelligence Assessment Center/Terrorism Liaison
- SWAT
- Crisis Negotiation Team (CNT)
- Project 529 bicycle registration program
- Fleet
  - Mobile Command Vehicle (MCV) & Emergency Rescue Vehicle (ERV)



COSTA MESA POLICE DEPARTMENT

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BIKE SAFETY





# CHALLENGES/OPPORTUNITIES FACING CMPD

- Recruitment & retention of staff
- Pursuing innovative technologies to improve policing
- Preparing a future generation of leaders



# BUILDING OUR FUTURE

## Transforming Police Culture

### KEY FOCUSES:

- Ensure responsiveness and trusting relationships with our community
- Management & supervisor team building workshops
- Maintain police strategic planning
- Improve internal communication and transparency
- Enhance crime analysis coordination throughout the region
- Expand recruitment and retention efforts
- Leadership development & succession planning for future







# HONORED TO SERVE



# Thank You

## Chief Ron Lawrence



# *Fairview Nature Park*



Photo by Sharon Hurd



**Did you know.....**

***“Fairview Park is located on a mesa top that supports one of the last coastal vernal pool complexes in California. The value of the habitat in the park cannot be overstated.” -***

USFW (email to City staff Feb. 2, 2019)



Photo by Ron Vanderhoff



# Vernal Pool watershed between dunes





# Endangered Woolly Marble





“Regular disturbance decreases the overall biological integrity of the park by favoring species that are more resilient and attracted to urban environments (e.g., crows, rats, mice, opossums, skunks). Species that are more sensitive to disturbance are likely to leave, reducing species diversity.”

USFW email to City Feb. 1, 2019

# Western Burrowing Owl



Fairview Park is the perfect place for this migratory bird to spend its winter. If you stay on the trails , and look carefully, you may be able to see them. They are on both the west and east side of Fairview Park.



# Historic Restoration Day











CAUTION  
THIS VEHICLE  
MAKES  
FREQUENT STOPS

JOY  
SUNSHINE











# COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS AVAILABLE





**JOIN US THIS SATURDAY, October 14, 2023  
FROM 9:00 – 11:00AM  
AT FAIRVIEW PARK**















FAIRVIEW

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# Fairview Nature Park

## *Costa Mesa's Home to Biodiversity*

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Sweat Bee photo by Bettina Eastman