ANNUAL FIELD OPERATIONS PLAN

The 2015 Rogers Fire Department Annual Field Operations Plan (AFOP) serves to inform the members of the department of the goals that have been established for the Field Operations Division for the 2015 calendar year. The AFOP is a template of priorities that have been developed through the department's annual strategic planning process and which support the mission and vision statements of the Rogers Fire Department. The items specified in the AFOP have been identified as keeping with the overall goal of the department to continue to provide exceptional risk-related service while developing and implementing progressive policies and procedures that improve the department's service delivery to its customers.

First Quarter 2015

Implement NFIRS-Compliant Line of Duty Injury Reporting

It has been the past practice of the Rogers Fire Department to only report to the National Fire Incident Reporting System (NFIRS) those firefighter injuries that occurred as the result of an emergency incident to which the fire department had responded. In order to more accurately comply with NFIRS the fire department will begin reporting all line-of-duty injuries, regardless of whether they occur as a result of an emergency incident response, a training evolution, or other work-related activities.

Implementation of this change will involve editing the current on-duty injury policy to include the necessity of completing an incident report for each injury and reporting all injuries to NFIRS. All personnel will be trained on this policy change.

Second Quarter 2015

Take Possession of New Station 2

A new fire station is currently being constructed to replace the outdated Station 2. The new station is located in the 1800 block of W. New Hope Rd and is scheduled to be completed in the second quarter of 2015. The fire department intends to take possession of the new station and begin emergency responses from that location as soon as possible after the completion of construction.

Completion of this objective will involve ensuring that the new station is properly equipped and prepared for staffing.

Third Quarter 2015

Evaluate Apparatus Placement

Due to its large apparatus bay and expanded living quarters the new Station 2 will allow for the housing of multiple apparatus. With the opening of the station it will become necessary to evaluate the locations at which both frontline and reserve apparatus are housed in order to ensure the most efficient utilization of resources.

Completion of this objective will involve analyzing data to determine whether Station 2 should remain a single engine company station or whether other apparatus, such as the heavy rescue, a brush truck, or a medic unit should be located there in addition to the engine company.

Integrate New Medic Unit

The Rogers Fire Department is scheduled to take delivery of a new medic unit in 2015. The integration of this apparatus into the fleet will require determining which current frontline medic unit will be transitioned to reserve status and if any of the current reserve units will be transitioned to surplus status.

Resolution of this objective will involve changing of lettering on existing apparatus and assignment of the apparatus to their new duty stations.

Fourth Quarter 2015

Improve Communications Ability of Personnel Operating in SCBA

The ability of personnel to accurately communicate while operating in SCBA at emergency scenes has been identified as an area of concern. Addressing this issue will require the department to evaluate the options, including voice amplifiers, which are available to improve communications.

Resolution of this issue will involve evaluating the costs and benefits of purchasing equipment that is designed to improve communications and allocating money for that equipment.

Evaluate the Need for Standing Orders at Motor Vehicle Accidents

The Rogers Fire Department has successfully utilized standing orders at structure fires and other emergency incidents for several years; however, there are not currently standing orders in place for motor vehicle accidents. The purpose of this objective is to determine if the need exists for a set of standing orders to be utilized at motor vehicle accidents and to develop those standing orders if needed.

Completion of this objective will involve reviewing the need for standing orders, developing a policy, and training of all department personnel.

Acquire Protective Gear and Supplies for Active Shooter Responses

In response to incidents that have occurred across the country the Rogers Fire Department has identified the need to develop a pro-active patient care protocol to be utilized in the event that an active-shooter incident were to occur within the city of Rogers. The purpose of the protocol is to aggressively find and treat critically injured patients in areas that have been cleared by law enforcement. In preparation the department has developed a policy and undergone extensive training to respond to this type of incident. The last remaining hurdle to full implementation is acquisition of the necessary personal protective equipment and medical supplies.

Completion of this objective will involve identifying a funding mechanism for the purchase of the necessary personal protective equipment and medical supplies and completing the acquisition.

Integrate New ARFF Unit

The Rogers Fire Department is tasked with providing fire protection to the Rogers Municipal Airport and the aircraft that utilize that facility. The primary fire protection for aircraft is provided by a 1992 model Aircraft Rescue and Firefighting (ARFF) truck which is located at the airport fire station (Station 3). Due to the age of this apparatus its reliability has been significantly compromised and it has become increasingly difficult and expensive to maintain the apparatus in a functional condition. Since this apparatus provides fire protection for the Walmart corporate jet fleet as well as many private aircraft it is essential that it be reliable. The department has been working in cooperation with the Walmart Aviation Division to obtain a new ARFF truck that will more effectively meet the demands placed upon it.

Completion of this objective will involve identifying funding for a new ARFF truck and integrating the new apparatus into the fleet. Additionally, the current ARFF truck will be transitioned to surplus status.