The fact that, once again in 2014, similar to 2013, our department saved property valued at almost 26 million dollars from fire, is a testament to the value of maintaining a Fire Department that is adequately staffed, highly trained, and properly equipped.

Testimony to the progress made by the Department is the recent reclassification of the Department’s Insurance Services Office (ISO) rating. ISO evaluates municipal fire-protection efforts in communities throughout the United States. A community’s investment in fire mitigation is a proven and reliable predictor of future fire losses. Several insurance companies use Public Protection Classification (PPC) information to help establish fair premiums for fire insurance, generally offering lower premiums in communities with better protection. Many communities use the PPC as a benchmark for measuring the effectiveness of their fire protection services. The rating for the City of Lompoc Fire Department is now Class 3, an improvement over our old Class 4/9 rating.

The Fire Department continues to enjoy the support of our citizens and many community groups such as the Lompoc Firefighters Foundation.

During the last year, the Department has worked to increase the number of CERT trained citizens as well as adding a disaster preparedness training program for our Spanish speaking citizens. The LISTOS program is a basic emergency and disaster readiness education program that utilizes a grass roots approach to enhance preparedness.

The future of our fire department has been charted by our Master Plan. The entire Department is committed to providing an appropriate level of protection to our community and maintaining the variety and high level of service our citizens have come to expect from us. The level of service we provide each and every day supports our vision, improving the lives of our citizens through a legacy of skilled, compassionate, and resourceful public service.

I am proud to lead such a fine team of public safety professionals and I encourage everyone in our community to visit and get to know your Firefighters.

Mission Statement
The Lompoc Fire Department is dedicated to serving the community of Lompoc by providing the highest level of emergency/rescue services, hazard prevention, and safety education, ensuring the protection of life, property, and the environment. Above all else, we realize that we are here to meet the needs of the public. We conduct ourselves at all times in a manner befitting the oath we swore to uphold, and treat others as they desire to be treated.
**Overview**

Rated by the Insurance Services Office as a Class 3 Fire Department, the Lompoc Fire Department serves a primarily urban community. Emergency call receipt and dispatch services are provided by the Lompoc Police Department. The Lompoc Fire Department provides a variety of all-risk services including fire protection, basic and EMT-I Optional Skills level emergency medical service, entrapment extraction, high-angle rescue, initial trench rescue, confined space rescue, and hazardous materials emergency response.

**Budget**

- Biennial 2013-2015: $8,432,734.00

**Facilities**

Fire Stations:
- Station #1 (Headquarters): 115 South G St.
- Station #2: 1100 North D St.

**Apparatus**

- 2 Primary Fire Engines
- 1 Reserve Fire Engine
- 1 Brush Fire Engine
- 1 Reserve Brush Fire Engine
- 1 Ladder Truck (Quint)
- 1 Rescue Squad Vehicle
- 1 Primary Command Vehicle
- 1 Reserve Command Vehicle

**Community Service Through Responsive Government**

- In 2014, the Lompoc Fire Department responded to 3,888 calls for service, an increase of 6.7%.
- Fire department equipment arrived on scene in 4 minutes or less, 83 percent of the time.
- During 2014, the Lompoc Fire Department saved 97% of property that was threatened by fire.

**Annual Response Totals:**

As an “all-risk” fire department, Lompoc Fire Department responds to numerous types of emergency and non-emergency incidents. Incidents are categorized by the nature of the response.

- **Fire**: (95 incidents) - Any type of fire involving a structure or building, vegetation, vehicles, or property.
- **Rescue/EMS**: (2,644 incidents) - EMS incidents or rescues, traffic collisions, searches, or water rescue.
  - Of these incidents, 142 were traffic collisions.
- **Hazardous Condition**: (76 incidents) - Combustible/flammable fuel leak, chemical release or reaction, radioactive condition, electrical problem, biological hazard, explosive removal, illegal burning.
- **Service Call**: (319 incidents) - Person in distress, water, smoke, odor, or animal problem, public assist.
- **Good Intent**: (552 incidents) - Dispatched and cancelled enroute or on scene, wrong location or no emergency found, controlled burning, vicinity alarm, steam or gas investigation, HazMat investigation
- **False Alarm & Alarm Activation**: (186 incidents) - False call, malicious or mischievous alarm activation, bomb scare, system or detector malfunction, biohazard scare.

**2014 Responses by Incident Type:**

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CPR Training  Saves Lives

In the event of cardiac arrest (when the heart stops beating) every moment counts. If CPR is started quickly, the chance of survival increases. Quality CPR and early application of an AED provide the greatest opportunity for survival prior to the arrival of emergency medical responders. The Lompoc Fire Department offers American Heart Association CPR/AED and First Aid training! Contact the Fire Department at (805)736-4513 for more information and course availability.

Courses Offered:
- AHA Heartsaver CPR/AED and First Aid
- AHA CPR/AED for Healthcare Providers

Child Seat Safety

Did you know that the majority of child passengers are not properly restrained? According to the US Department of Transportation, 72% of child restraint systems are used improperly. To ensure your child’s car seat or booster seat is installed correctly, make an appointment with one of our certified Child Passenger Safety Technicians. They will gladly provide you with the education and hands on assistance to ensure your child is safely restrained in your vehicle.

What is CERT?

The Community Emergency Response Team is all risk, all hazard training that is designed to help you protect yourself, your family, your neighbors, and your neighborhood in an emergency situation. When it comes to disasters, the key to survival is preparedness. Call Fire Station #1 at (805)736-4513 to sign up!

Community Risk Reduction  & Education

Designed with state of the art technology, the LFD Community Risk Reduction Education trailer allows adults and children to learn what to do in the event of a fire or other emergency in the home by simulating emergencies that are intense and true to life, yet completely safe! Learn how to extinguish small cooking fires, proper use of a fire extinguisher, and much, much more. Sound, smoke, heat, interactive 9-1-1 phone and automatic smoke detectors create an authentic emergency scene. Made possible thanks to the Lompoc Firefighters Foundation’s commitment to the community and the LFD.

EXHIBITION / DISPLAYS:
- Adults: 49
- Children: 500

FIRE SAFETY DEMONSTRATIONS:
- Adults: 106
- Children: 479

PUBLIC EDUCATION:
- Adults: 307
- Children: 787

RIDE-ALONGS:
- Adults: 34

STATION TOURS:
- Adults: 104
- Children: 875

CERT TRAINING:
- Adults: 38

CPR TRAINING:
- Adults: 106

TOTAL OUTREACH:
- Adults: 1,659
- Children: 3,223

LISTOS

JUNTOS HACEMOS LA DIFERENCIA  “Together we make a difference”

LISTOS is a basic emergency and disaster preparedness public education program for Spanish-speaking populations with a grass-roots approach. The goal of LISTOS is to provide basic educational resources to Spanish speaking populations for emergency readiness in a comfortable environment. The Lompoc Fire Department is proud to participate in this important community outreach program.

More information is available at Fire Station #1.
2014 Accomplishments
Celebrating Achievement

Rescue Squad
For the first time since 1960, the Lompoc Fire Department introduced an additional response apparatus to the community. This quick attack response vehicle known as “Rescue 1” started as a repurposed utility truck that has been transformed to be a valuable and versatile emergency vehicle. It is equipped with a compliment of fire, rescue, and EMS tools thanks to a generous donation from the Lompoc Firefighters Foundation.
Rescue 1 responded to 786 calls for service during the first 11 months it was in service and continues to be a tremendous asset to the daily response force. Some of Rescue 1’s capabilities include small fire extinguishment, EMS, and rescue while improving overall response time and fire department unit availability.

Promotions
In 2014, the Lompoc Fire Department celebrated the promotion of 15 year veteran Dena Foose to the position of Deputy Fire Marshal / Fire Captain. The addition of the Deputy Fire Marshal position in 2014 has resulted in significant improvements in community safety and customer service to our citizens, developers and contractors. The Department has reduced turnaround times for plan checks, inspections and other services from weeks to days and in some cases hours.

Wildland Fire Engine
The threat of wildfire is among us. In 2014, a brush fire burned 632 acres in the hills south of Lompoc threatening approximately 1,000 homes and forcing 3,400 residents to evacuate. The Lompoc Fire Department is now equipped with a new wildland fire engine (commonly referred to as brush engine). This vehicle is equipped with 4 wheel drive so it can access remote areas that other fire engines can not. It is equipped with a full compliment of firefighting hose, a full tank of water, and a cache of tools. Lompoc’s new wildland fire engine is a much needed, specialty apparatus to protect the lives, property, and environment of Lompoc and its neighbors.

New Faces
The Lompoc Fire Department welcomed two new firefighters in 2014. After a strenuous in-service fire academy, our newest members have proven to be strong additions to the department. Please join us in welcoming our new Firefighters Jake Ochoa and Daniel Mobley!

Preparation for the Future
What’s hot in 2015!

“Don’t be insane, cover your brain!”
 Joined with the Healthy Lompoc Coalition, your firefighters are geared up and ready to help educate the community about the importance of helmet and bicycle safety. The most important piece of safety equipment when bicycling is a helmet, but there are also many other tips to consider! Ask your firefighters for more information on this great project and how to stay safe on two wheels!

Community Risk Reduction Block Party
Partnered with the Lompoc Firefighters Foundation, Lompoc Police Department, and our Fire/Police Chaplain Corps, the Lompoc Fire Department will be out on a block near you to provide a neighborhood hosted, focused outreach and community risk reduction block party! Fire prevention, public education, and “hands only CPR” training are just a few of the many cool and informative community service related programs that could be in your neighborhood soon!