



## PROPOSITION 1

# Property Tax Levy Lid Lift for Fire Facilities, Fleet, and Operations

November 5, 2024 Ballot

- Increases the regular property tax levy by \$0.65/\$1,000 of assessed property value.
- Generates approximately \$30M per year that is dedicated to Tacoma Fire Department.
- The estimated average household tax increase is \$25 per month for a \$450K home.

## Why the levy?



### Facilities

"Despite investments and recent renovations to older facilities, many of TFD's 26 facilities have exceeded their useful life, are in poor or critical condition (85%), are undersized, and lack modern systems to support firefighter health and safety." - 2024 Fire Facilities Master Plan



### Fleet

Over 60% of our fleet is past its useful life, and many fail to provide adequate safety and reliability for emergency response (for example, the inability to pump water into a burning building).



### Equipment

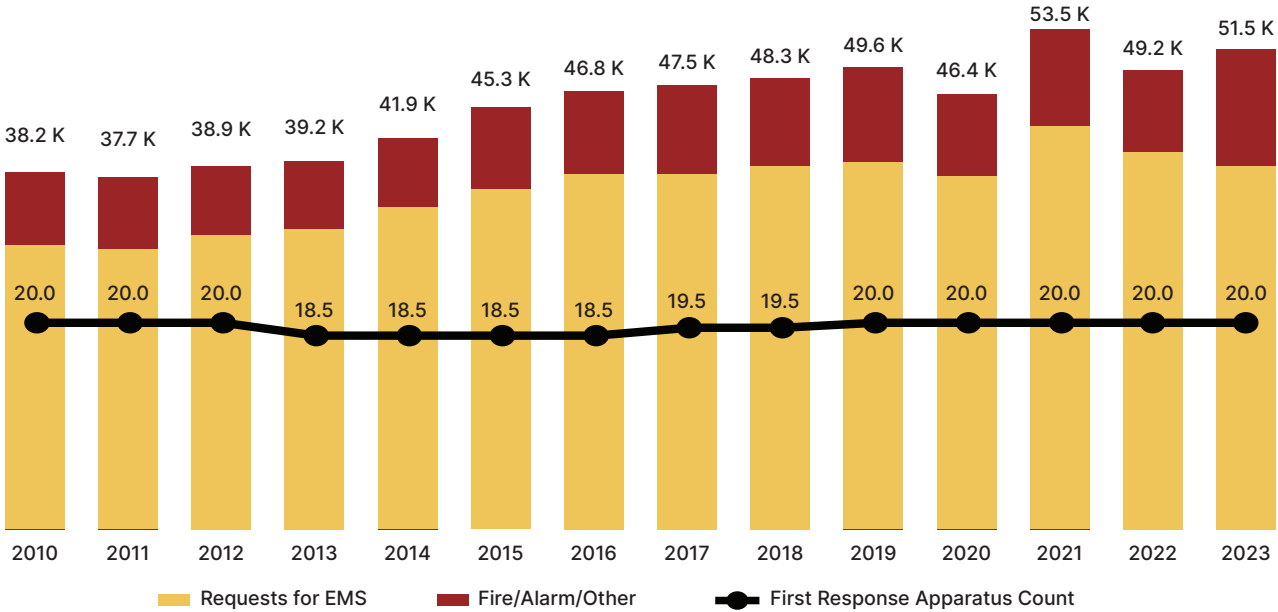
There is currently no ongoing funding for essential equipment (e.g., self-contained breathing apparatus, vehicle extrication tools, thermal imaging cameras, etc.).



### Increasing Call Volume

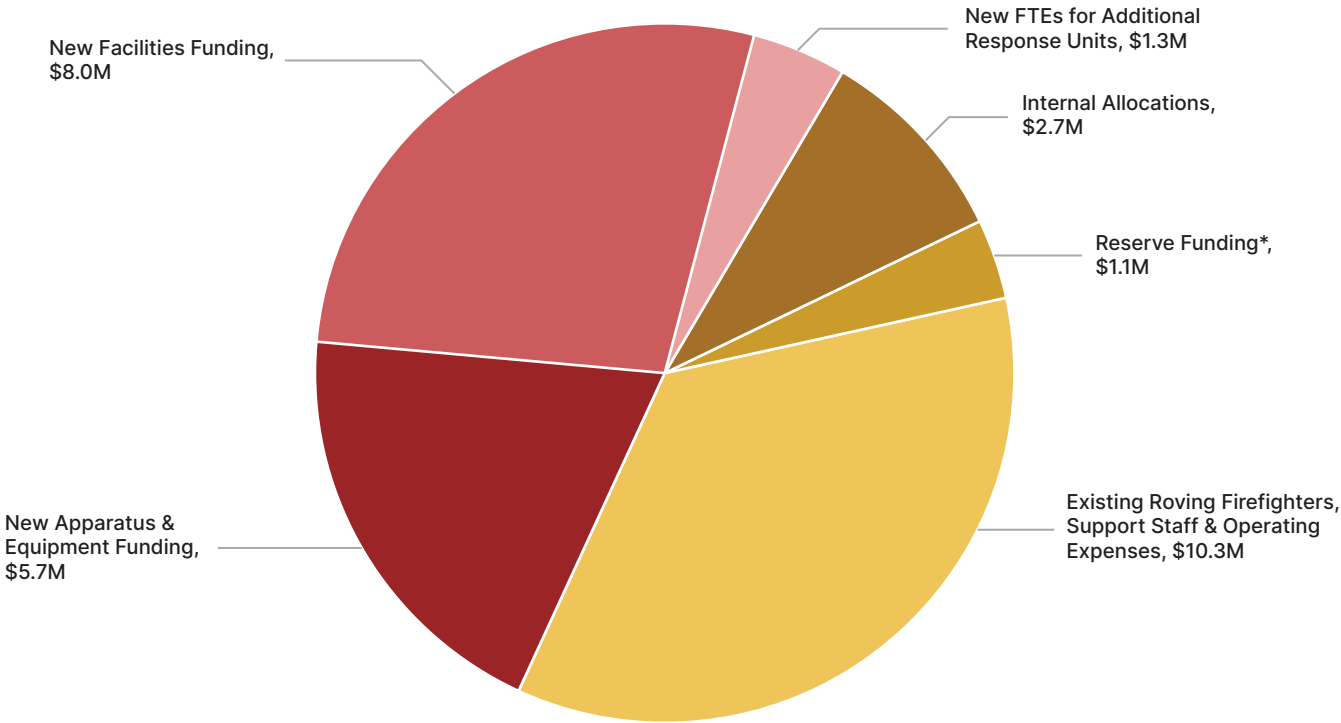
Since 2010, our area's population has grown by about 9%, but TFD's call volume has grown by 36%. No additional first response units have been added during this time.

# 2010-2023 Dispatched Incidents and First Responding Companies (Engines & Ladders)



## What will the funding do?

Provide ongoing funding for facilities, vehicles, equipment, additional staffing, and \$10M of existing fire department expenses. (2026 proposed funding distribution)



\*Initial funding for fiscal sustainability and compliance with reserve policy