Alexandria City Academy

Session 9

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Alexandria Fire Department

Chief Robert Dubé

Dedicated to Our Community,
Our Profession, and Each Other

Alexandria Fire Department

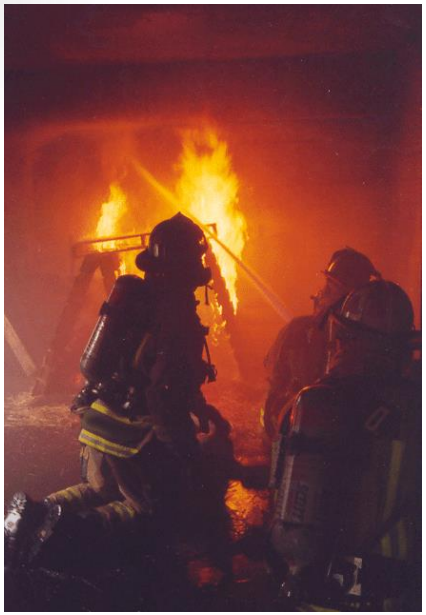
- Volunteer departments founded in 1774
- AFD “paid” department formed in 1866 by an act of City Council.
- Employs 286 personnel
- Divisions include Suppression, EMS, Fire Prevention and Life Safety, Professional Development, Fleet Maintenance, and Administration
- 10 Stations protect 15.75 square miles
- Department Call Loads: > 18,500 annually

Proud History

Alexandria Virginia
1866 150 years 2016
Fire Department

1883
COLUMBIA

Continued Dedication…



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ALEXANDRIA FIRE DEPARTMENT
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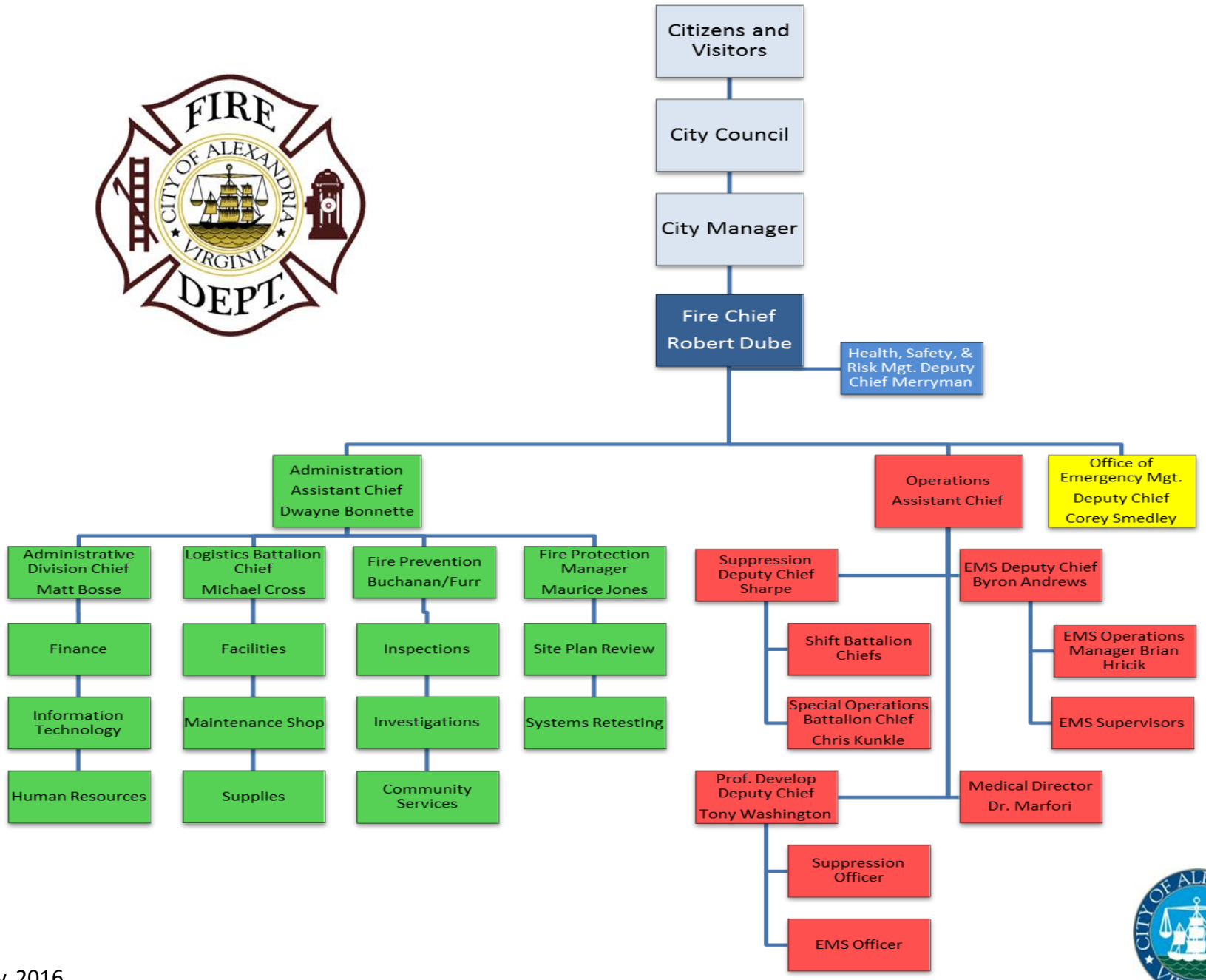
FOAM



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Administrative Support Staff

- Budget and Finance
- Information Technology
- Facilities and Supplies
- Human Resources

Alexandria Stations

Station 210

Station Locations

Professional and Caring Service

Mutual Aid

- National Capitol Region employs a system of Mutual Aid
- Members include: Washington, D.C., Arlington County, Metropolitan Washington Airport Authority, Fairfax City, Fairfax County, Prince Georges County, Prince William County, Montgomery County
- Units respond on a first available basis regardless of jurisdiction

Suppression

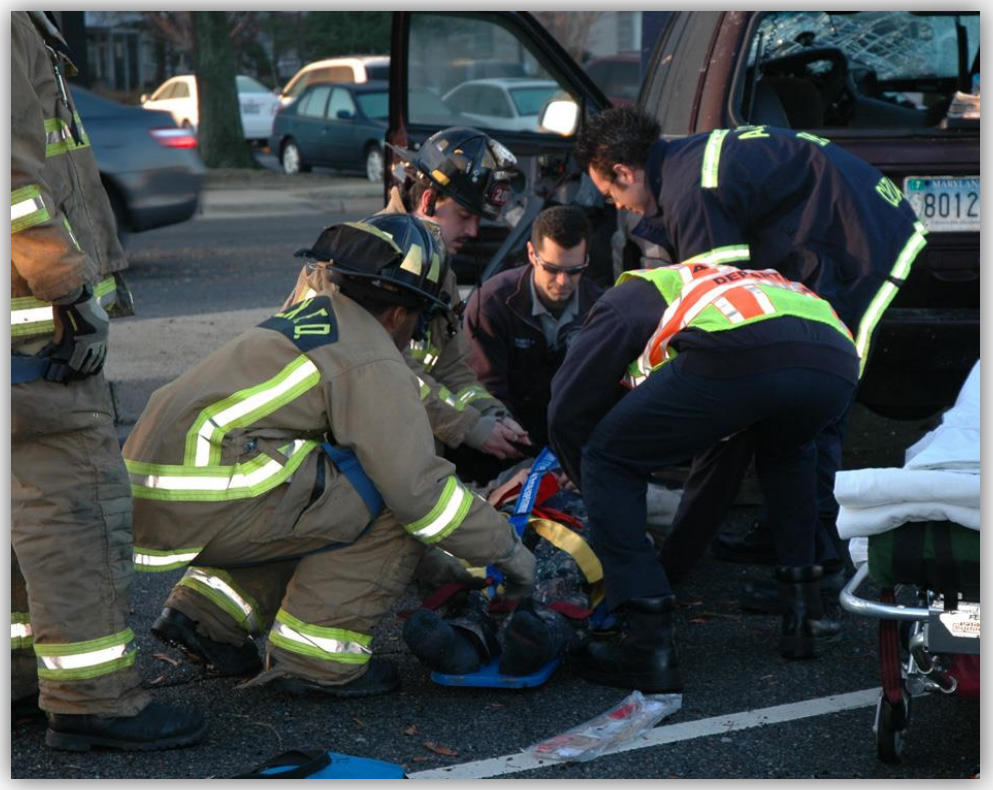
- 24/7 Service Delivery
- 151 personnel, including Assistant Chief, 2 Deputy Chiefs, 4 Battalion Chiefs, 29 Captains, 19 Lieutenants
- 9 Engine Companies
- 3 Ladder Trucks
- Rescue Company
- Fire Boat – “Relief”
- Specialty Teams: Hazardous Materials, Technical Rescue, S.C.B.A Mask Repair Team, and Marine Operations

209

ALEXANDRIA
FIRE DEPARTMENT

Emergency Medical Services

- 24 hour Advanced Life Support Care
- 62 Full Time Paramedics staff (6) 24-hour ALS units
- Deputy Chief, EMS Operations Manager, and 8 Shift EMS Supervisors, 2 EMS Supervisors in Administrative Roles



Special Event Medical Support

- Reduce the arrival time to treat patients in areas of limited accessibility
- Deployed for City Events, including Parades, Charity Walks/Runs, and Festivals
- Fire Department Mobile GATOR
- ALS Bicycle Medics

Special Event Medical Support

EMS Bike Medic Team

Hazardous Materials Team

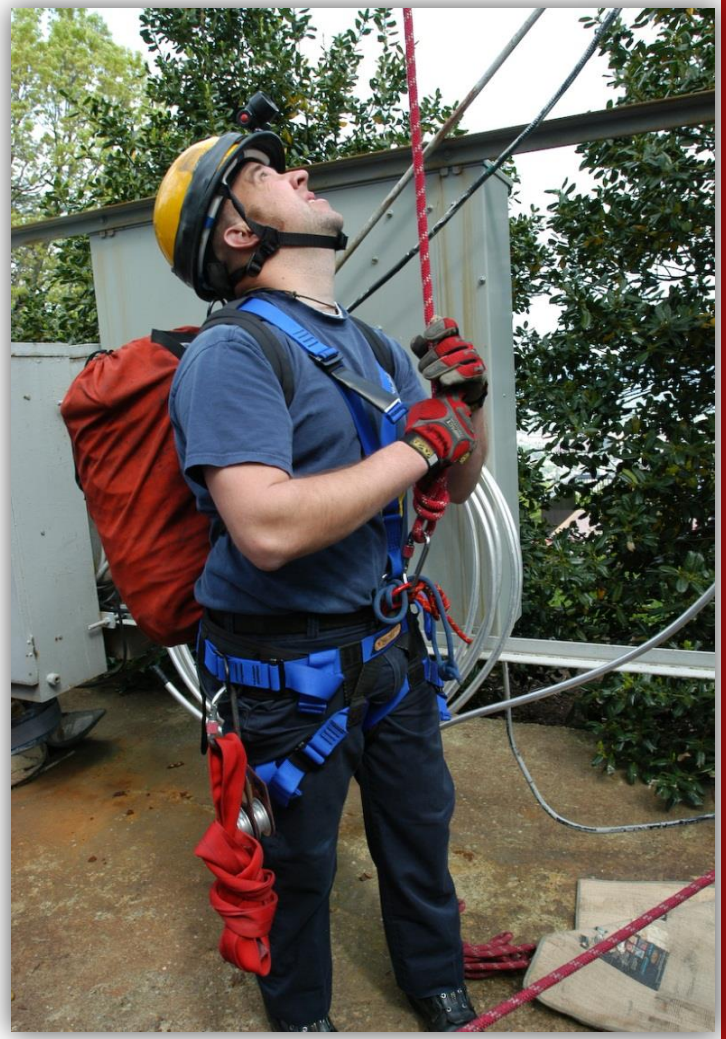
- State Response Team of 54 members, 11 Specialist, 43 Technician
- Respond to Incidents involving Weapons of Mass Destruction and all other hazards, including fuel spills
- Engine Company 209
- Foam Unit 209
- Support Unit 209

Marine Operations Team

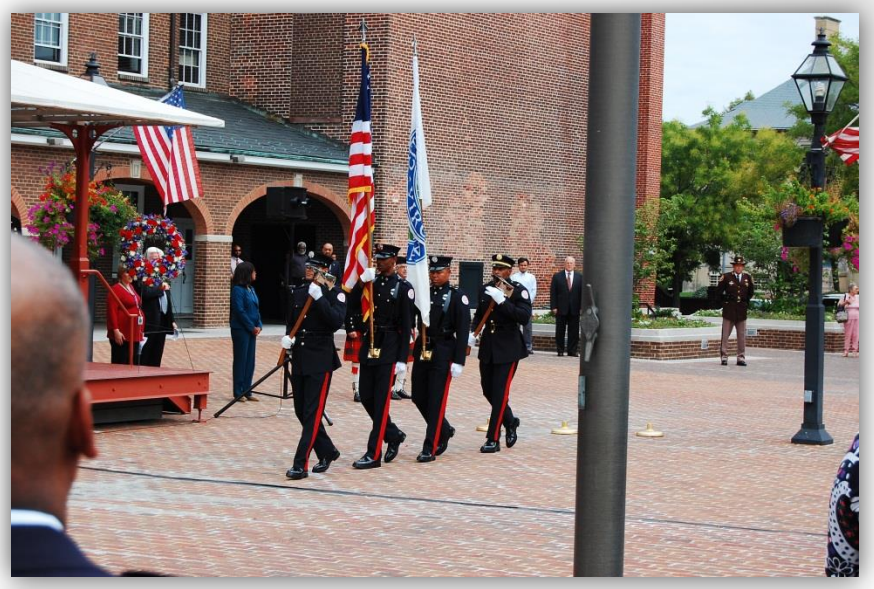
- Established in 1997
- 24 Member Team
- Fireboat 201: “Relief”

Technical Rescue

- Technical Rescue established 1989 with a Rescue Engine
- 48 members, 15 Level 2 Technicians, 33 Level 1 Operations team specializing in vehicle extrication, structural collapse, trench collapse, confined space, and high angle rescues
- Trained for advanced auto extrication and building collapses



Honor Guard



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FIRE · EMS

Health and Safety Unit

- 1 Deputy Chief and 3 Captain Shift Safety Officers
- Acts as Incident Safety Officer
- Provide care for injured/ill employees throughout the City
- Infection Control
- Survey worksites for safety hazards

Health and Safety Unit

Maintenance Shop

- Shop employs 1 Supervisor and 3 Mechanics
- The entire AFD fleet, including engines, ladder trucks, medic units, Fire Chief/Assistant Chief/Battalion Chief/EMS Supervisor/Battalion Aide trucks, and supply and code enforcement vehicles, is maintained internally

Professional Development

- On site training, classroom facility, and recruit academy
- Staff includes Deputy Chief, FES Training Officer, EMS Training Officer, FTO's, IT Specialist & Training Assistant.
- Burn Building on site
- Full Gym

6030

Emergency Management

- Coordinates, mitigates, prepares, and responds to all disasters within the City
- Maintains the Emergency Operations Center
- Liaison with VDEM and FEMA

Emergency Management

- Coordinates response to local emergencies such as Hurricanes Isabel and Hanna
- EOC is composed of City Staff from all departments as well as local and regional aid groups such as the American Red Cross

Community Emergency Response Team (CERT)

- Trains members of the community to assist the AFD during disaster responses
- Members assess damages, organize volunteers, triage and perform first aid to victims of local disasters
- Call 703.746.5259 for information

Community Services Unit

- Public Information Office
- Youth and Senior Education Programs
- Smoke Alarm Program
- Juvenile Fire Starter Intervention Program
- To Schedule, call 703.746.5269

Community Services Unit

- Maintain Smoke Alarms
- Plan and Practice an Escape Plan
- Give Space Heaters Space
- Be Alert While Cooking
- Use Electricity Safely
- Call 911
- STOP, DROP, AND ROLL
- NEVER Re-enter a Burning Building

Questions?

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