



# **CAL FIRE/RIVERSIDE COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT**

**CITY OF COACHELLA**

**PUBLIC SAFETY PRESENTATION FOR THE ADDITION  
OF A PARAMEDIC SQUAD AND FIRE MARSHALL  
STAFF**



## **CURRENT STATE OF FIRE SERVICES**

- The City of Coachella generated 3,390 calls for service in 2022, which is a 6.67% increase from 2021. With an average yearly increase of 6.2% over the last 5 years.
- 1 Fire Station- Type 1 Engine Company at Station 79 with 4 Person Staffing.
- No current Fire Marshall staff in the City- Loss of revenue due to conditioning new development, no business inspections (fee based) and new construction inspection fees not captured. With Council approval- Study Session required for fee based cost neutrality for Fire Marshall Staff (optional)
- Continual population increase- 1.65% is the 20-year average
- City purchased Squad at Station 79- unstaffed.

# RIVERSIDE COUNTY CONTRACT CITY COMPARISONS 2022

City	Population	Fire Services	Calls for Service 2022	Average Call Per Unit Per Day
Moreno Valley	211,600	7 Engines, 1 Truck, 2 Squads	21,300	6
Temecula	110,846	5 Engines, 1 Truck	10,395	5
Jurupa Valley	106,941	3 Engines, 1 Truck, 1 Squad	12,077	7
Menifee	106,401	4 Engines, 1 Truck, 2 Squads	13,340	5
Indio	93,333	4 Engines, 1 Truck	9,608	5
Lake Elsinore	71,563	2 Engines, 1 Truck, 1 Squad	6,993	5
Eastvale	71,375	2 Engines, 1 Squad	3,943	4
San Jacinto	55,290	2 Engines	7,290	9
Beaumont	55,280	1 Engine, 1 Squad	5,023	7
Palm Desert	51,774	4 Engines, 1 Truck	10,924	6
Coachella	43,240	1 Engine	3,390	9
La Quinta	38,773	3 Engines	5,153	5
Wildomar	37,189	1 Engine, 1 Squad	3,634	5
Rubidoux	34,280	1 Engine	3,123	8
Desert Hot Springs	32,716	1 Engine	5,442	15
Banning	31,230	2 Engines	5,147	7
Norco	25,950	2 Engines	2,899	4
Indian Wells	4,846	1 Engine	1,339	4



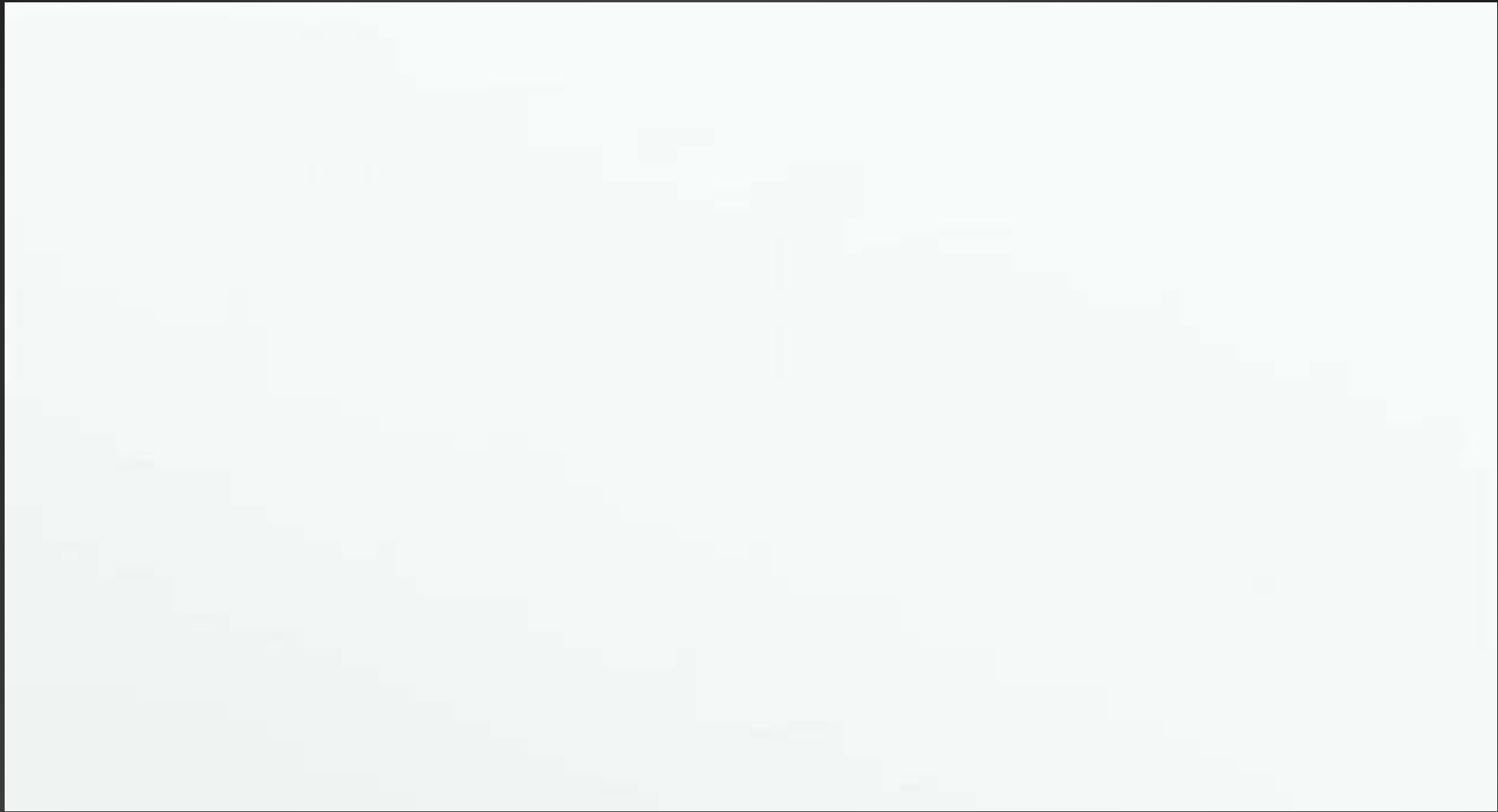
# SOLUTIONS

## Paramedic Squad Advantages/Municipal Staffing

- Daily Staffing Configuration –
  - Squad = 1 Company Officer, and 1 FF/Paramedic
  - Engine = 1 Captain, 1 Engineer, and 1 Firefighter
- 5 Fire Fighters on Duty each day in The City of Coachella.
- Decrease Response Time
  - Increases **Survivability of Constituents** and provides additional staffing for ALL multi unit calls in the City of Coachella.
- Increase in Unit Availability
  - Ensures that there is always an available unit to respond in the City. Decreases the reliability for Regional assistance In Coachella, 20% of calls on average based on second unit responses.
- The Squad will assist Engine 79 with increasing call volume on the north side of Coachella.
- Municipal Staffing delivers for structured Command and Control on Incidents



# NATIONAL RECOMMENDATIONS





## \*ADDITIONAL COST TO FIRE BUDGET\* SQUAD AND FIRE MARSHALL STAFF

- This will constitute an approximate cost increase of 1.5 Million Dollars or less since we bill for actuals
- 6 personnel for Squad 79
- 1 Fire Marshall Supervisor
- 1 Fire Marshal Specialist
- Reduce Engine 79 staff from 11 to 9 personnel





**Thank you for your continuing partnership with CAL FIRE/Riverside County Fire Department**