

# AGENCY SUMMARY

## PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY FIRE/EMS DEPARTMENT

### Leadership

Tiffany D. Green, Chief  
James E. McClelland, Sr., Deputy Fire Chief  
Warren "Tony" Hughes, Acting Dep. Chief  
Dwayne V. Bonnette, Acting Dep. Chief

Fire & EMS [website](#)  
Fire & EMS [FY 2023 approved budget](#)  
Fire & EMS [FY 2023-2028 approved CIP budget](#)  
Fire & EMS [FY 2023 budget review report](#)  
Fire & EMS [FY 2022 budget review report](#)

### Core Services

- The Department is responsible for fire prevention and life safety, fire suppression, emergency medical services, fire and rescue communications, research and training activities, fire and arson investigations, fire inspections and enforcement, public education and coordination of the volunteer fire companies.
- The Department provides Emergency Medical Services, both Basic and Advanced Life Support.
- The Rescue Services provided include Technical Rescue, Confined Space Rescue, High Angle Rescue, Marine Rescue and Swift Water Rescue.
- Hazardous Materials, Bomb and Explosive Device Response.

### Organizational Structure

- The Department has four (4) Commands: Volunteer Services Command; Emergency Services Command; Support Services Command; and the Administrative Services Command.
- The Office of the Fire Chief oversees the operations of the Prince George's County Fire/EMS Department, and the volunteer fire companies. The Fire Chief and staff are responsible for the adequate delivery of fire and emergency medical services to the citizens of Prince George's County. The Office of Professional Standards is located within the Office of the Fire Chief.
- The Volunteer Services Command is responsible for coordinating the day-to-day operations of the County's volunteer fire companies to assist the Fire/EMS Department's response to emergency calls throughout the County.
- The Emergency Services Command is responsible for the coordination of firefighters, paramedics and volunteers. Headed by one of the department's deputy chiefs, the Emergency Services Command oversees Fire/EMS operations, advanced emergency medical services, technical rescue and the Hazardous Materials Response Team.
- The Support Services Command coordinates all specialized non-emergency services for the agency including the Office of the Fire Marshal functions, Apparatus Maintenance, Logistics and Supply, Facility and Resource Planning, Support Services and Training and Technical Services.
- The Administrative Services Command is responsible for the coordination of the management, financial and support functions within the department. The division also oversees the operations of Fiscal Affairs, Research, Information Management, Risk Management and Human Resources.

### FY 2023 Top Priorities

- Continue with the development of the strategic planning process in conjunction with Center for Public Safety Excellence accreditation efforts.
- Optimize COVID-19 pandemic response (and any future responses of this nature), mitigation and recovery efforts to ensure the safety of our workforce and to meet the service delivery expectations of the communities the Department serves.

### BACKGROUND

Under the Schedule of Legislation section, [Section 13](#) of the County Charter, the Fire/EMS Department was established. It provides that the Department will be headed by the Fire Chief, who will have at least five (5) years of experience. [Subtitle 11](#), Divisions 1 & 2 of the Prince George's County Code delineate the organization and administration of the Prince George's County Fire/EMS Department. The primary functions of the agency include fire prevention, fire suppression, emergency medical services, fire and rescue communications, research and training activities, and coordination of the volunteer fire companies.

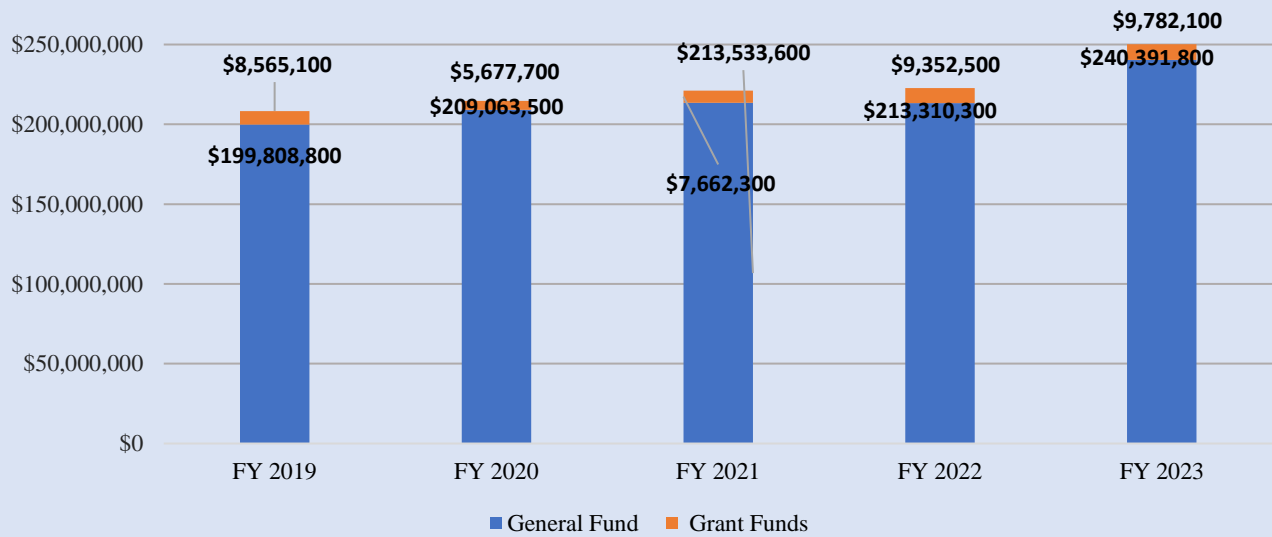
The Charter also provides that there will be a [Fire Commission](#) whose purpose is to review the financial needs and requests for public funds of each volunteer fire company. Annually, it shall formulate one capital budget, one capital improvement program, and an operating budget for all volunteer fire companies with respect to the expenditure of public funds and shall submit each budget and program(s) to the County Executive.

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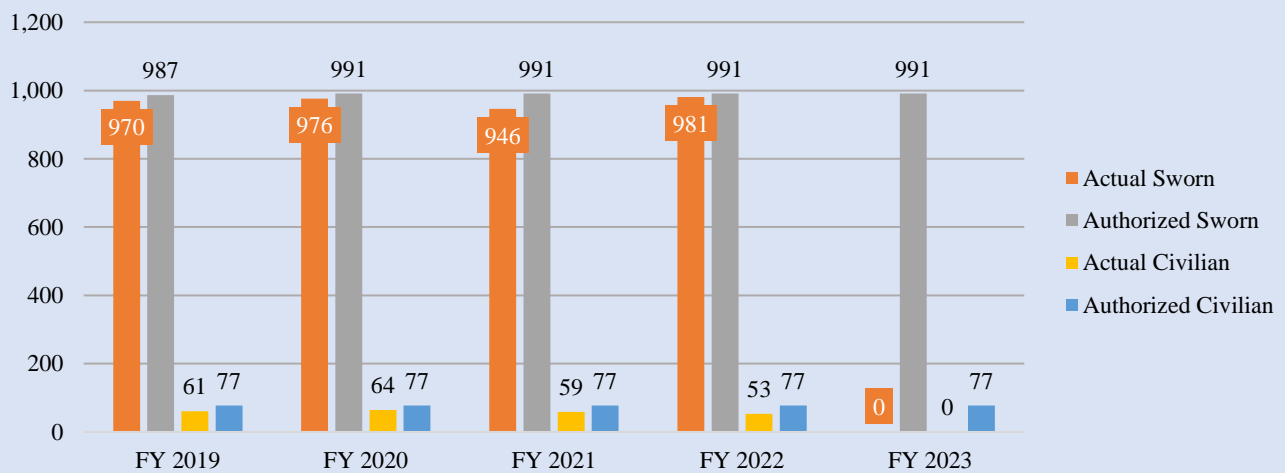
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- Enhance community risk reduction and life safety & survival programs by increasing community outreach and engagement with a focus on residential fire and life safety inspections; smoke alarm and carbon monoxide detectors installations; as well as public education
- programs for fire and life safety, injury prevention, CPR and public hemorrhage control. If effectively implemented, this, in turn, will have an increase in the County/Department's overall Insurance Services Office (ISO) rating.
- Improve service delivery and reliability throughout County utilizing real-time performance analytics and system wide situational awareness to meet standards established by the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA).
- Strategically align short term funding models to support the apparatus and equipment replacement and modernization

### 5-Year Approved Budget Overview (2019-2023)



### 5-Year General Fund Full-Time Authorized Vs Actual Staffing Overview



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