

Titus County VFD's Mission Statement

March 1, 2011

Argo VFD

Cookville VFD

Five Star VFD

Nortex VFD

Sugar Hill VFD

Tri-Lakes VFD

'Our mission; with the assistance of both Mt. Pleasant Fire Department and Talco VFD is to improve Fire Suppression/Rescue services to Titus County by quickly and safely extinguishing or containing all fires in Titus County in order to protect life, property, and the environment.'

Firefighter injuries in the United States

Report: NFPA's "United States Firefighter Injuries in 2018"

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- An estimated 58,250 firefighter injuries occurred in the line of duty in 2018, a decrease of one percent from the 2017 injury total.
- In addition to injuries, there were 6,175 documented exposures to infectious diseases and 47,150 exposures to hazardous conditions.
- Firefighters were more likely to be injured at fireground operations than other types of duties. In 2018, 22,975 injuries, or 39 percent of all reported firefighter injuries, occurred at the fireground.
- The leading cause of fireground injuries was overexertion or strain (28 percent).
- Strain, sprain, or muscular pain injuries accounted for nearly two of five (38 percent) injuries on the fireground.
- Non-fireground injuries included 4,150 injuries while responding to, or returning from an incident; 8,175 injuries incurred during training activities, 11,625 injuries at non-fire emergency incidents, and 11,325 injuries during other on duty activities.
- In 2018, an estimated 14,425 collisions involved fire department emergency vehicles responding to or returning from incidents.

Firefighter Fatalities in the United States in 2018

In 2018, 64 firefighters died while on-duty in the United States as a result of injuries that occurred at specific events, continuing a five-year trend of fewer than 70 deaths per year. Of those 64 firefighters, 34 were volunteer firefighters, 25 were career firefighters, four were employees or contractors for federal or state land management agencies, and one was a prison inmate.

Wildland firefighter deaths

From 1990 to 2017, there have been 485 **firefighters** killed during activities involving brush, grass or **wildland firefighting** — an average of 17 **deaths** per year. There was an average of 12 such **deaths** per year over the past decade. Oct 6, 2018

In the month of January 2020 there have already been 9 fire related Deaths.

Membership in SFFMA Includes:

- \$10,000 Accidental Death & Dismemberment, \$20,000 On-Duty Accidental Death Benefit and \$5,000 Severe Burn Policies! Add optional VFIS and/or NVFC supplemental insurance plans to your basic membership for double or triple coverage! Make sure we have a current [beneficiary form](#) on file for each member.
 - SFFMA basic \$50 annual dues per member = \$10,000 Accidental Death & Dismemberment, \$20,000 On-Duty Accidental Death Benefit and \$5,000 Severe Burn
 - SFFMA (\$50) + Optional VFIS (\$10) = \$60/person and coverage increases to \$20,000 AD&D, \$40,000 LODD, \$5,000 Severe Burn
 - SFFMA (\$50) + Optional VFIS (\$10) + Optional NVFC (\$18) = \$78/person will provide \$30,000 AD&D, \$60,000 LODD and \$5,000 Severe Burn

National Volunteer Firefighter Counsel

As a member in good standing firefighters are eligible for \$10,000 Accidental Death & Dismemberment, \$20,000 On-Duty Accidental Death Benefit. Membership dues yearly are \$18.00 per firefighter.