



# LONG BEACH FIRE DEPARTMENT

## Fiscal Year 2014 Budget

### Budget Oversight Committee

### August 20, 2013



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## FY 13 - ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

- Responded to over 70,000 calls for service
- Reorganized annual assembly inspections, leading to 100% completion of these State-mandated inspections
- Utilized Homeland Security grant funding to enhance response capabilities involving Hazardous Materials, Underwater Search and Rescue, and Special Events
- Continued to address workforce privacy issues by improving existing facilities throughout the Department
- Provided Community Safety Programs, including Fire Safety Program, Senior Safety Program, and Community Emergency Response Team classes



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## FY 14 BUDGET:

- Maintain current fire staffing and equipment levels
- Enhance emergency medical services through implementation of the Rapid Medic Deployment (RMD) program.
- Ambulance fee increase to better cover costs
- One-time funding for second fire academy and continuation of Fire Station privacy improvements



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## RAPID MEDIC DEPLOYMENT (RMD) -- History

- Included in FY 13 Budget adopted by City Council
- Annual budgeted savings of \$1.8 million
- Updates provided to City Council and Public Safety Committee
- Proposal to Los Angeles County Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Agency approved in July, 2013



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## RAPID MEDIC DEPLOYMENT (RMD) - Program Details

- Increases number of Paramedic Rescues from 8 to 11
- Each Rescue staffed with one sworn Firefighter/Paramedic and one civilian Ambulance Operator (EMT)
- All Fire Engines staffed with a Paramedic
- Estimated reduction in time for first Paramedic to arrive on-scene
- Maintains 4-Person staffing on engines



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## RAPID MEDIC DEPLOYMENT (RMD) - Implementation

- Pilot Program approved by L.A. County EMS Agency in July, 2013
- Will implement RMD as soon as Federally-mandated Electronic Patient Care Record (ePCR) is in place
- Projected implementation date is first quarter of calendar year 2014
- Once Pilot Program is completed, will review data and determine whether to request permanent approval from County EMS Agency