

A Message from the Fire Chief:

Friends and Neighbors of the Rodeo Hercules Fire Protection District:

First and foremost emergency response will not change. Our stations are fully staffed and able to respond to any emergencies that the community might face. If this situation changes due to staffing issues caused by the COVID-19 virus I will be sure to provide an update.

Your fire-department personnel are currently healthy and are on-duty providing expert service and dedication to the community we serve.

Stay healthy, and stay safe.

Bryan Craig
Fire Chief

Changes to our Operations:

In response to the COVID-19 outbreak and subsequent social distancing policies, the Rodeo - Hercules Fire Protection District would like to advise the public of adjustments we have made in department operations.

Information in regards to how to best prepare and combat the COVID-19 outbreak can be found on the District website, rhfd.org, the Contra Costa County Health Department website: cchealth.org and the State of California web site: covid19.ca.gov.

Due to concerns for our personnel safety and the wellbeing of the public we serve our first responders are instituting enhanced personal protective equipment and procedures such as:

- Maintaining six feet of distance for initial assessment, when possible.
- Donning enhanced PPE on calls of suspected respiratory infection or flu-like symptoms.

- Placing a mask on the patient and or asking a family member to assist with placing a mask on the patient.
- An Isolation and Quarantine Contingency Plan has been established for the safety of Fire Department personnel that have been exposed to or are showing symptoms of the virus.

Other District services effected by the Federal, State, and County Emergency:

- Fire stations will be closed to the public
- The Planning and Inspection Services will be conducted virtually.
- The Planning and Inspection department will be closed to the public.
- Walk up medical emergencies will still be accepted but only after the screening of patient(s) and persons accompanying patient(s) if any.
- Fire stations will remain available for the Safe Surrender program.
- All engine company business safety inspections will be discontinued until further notice.
- Conference call sessions are being used in place of in-person meetings.

In light of the social distancing measures currently in place, please use the following methods to contact administrative staff:

Office phone line: (510) 799-4561

Email a staff member: corcoran@rhfd.org