

Fire Department



Our mission

The Burnsville Fire Department is dedicated to providing efficient and effective Fire, Medical, Rescue and Prevention Services of the highest quality.



Our values

The Burnsville Fire Department operates with a commitment to personal and organizational Character, Communication, Collaboration and Competent excellence.

Strengths

- Fully capable EMS
- Highly skilled and engaged firefighters
- Well-equipped and strategic
- Mutual and automatic aid partnerships
- Committed to safety and wellness

Limitations

- Budget-driven staffing limitations
- Geography
- Demographics
- Recovering from February tragedy



Opportunities

- Relationships
- Redevelopment increases safety
- Civic support

Threats

- Recruitment challenges
- Health care system limitations
- Occupancies without sprinklers
- Diverse needs for community risk reduction services
- Assisted living and group homes

Where are we going?

- Mental health care system innovation
- Enhanced on-shift staffing
- Multifaceted community risk reduction
- Continuous improvement of operations
- Enhancements to firefighter wellness practices



How will we get there?

The Burnsville Fire Department is committed to deep professionalism: to delivering the highest quality of service with attention to integrity, effective communication, collaboration, and continuous improvement.



Mental health care

- EMS community risk reduction.
- Embedded mental health professional.

Enhanced on-shift staffing

- Strive to increase staffing even considering the City's fiscal limitations and consistent with a shared commitment to cost containment.
- Updated standards of coverage document.

Community risk reduction

- Investigate and pursue improvements likely to achieve measurable gains in community safety.
- Use of civil action to achieve compliance of outstanding fire code violations in multifamily dwellings



Continuous improvement

BFD will engage operational leaders at all levels to identify and implement small and larger changes that improve the effectiveness and efficiency of operations.

Firefighter wellness

- Continue to pursue its commitment to comprehensive firefighter wellness, including fitness and especially cardiac health, cancer risk reduction, and mental health.
- Embedded mental health provider.

