

# **Fire Department**

## 2022 Budget

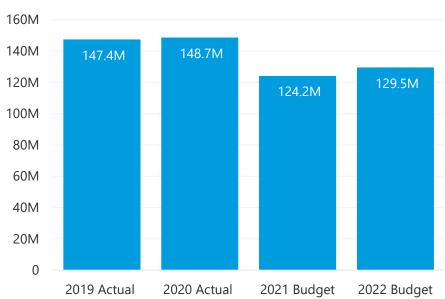
The Denver Fire Department is dedicated to: providing quality, timely, and professional emergency services to those who live in, work in, and visit the City and County of Denver; respecting each other through trust, pride, diversity, integrity, and training; and working together to achieve the highest levels of preparedness, prevention, and community involvement with a dedication to purpose.



# Agencywide General Fund Expenditures & FTE Changes

#### Total FTE





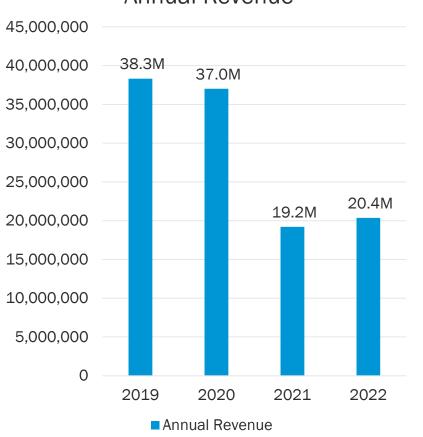
Total Expenses

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# YOY Agency General Fund Revenue Change



#### Annual Revenue

- The large drop in Revenues from 2020 to 2021 is due to Airport reimbursements being moved to a Special Revenue Fund (~\$19m).
   Revenues also fell due to businesses and special events being closed or cancelled, reducing the need for fire safety permits.
- As businesses and facilities open and resume activity during the pandemic recovery, Inspection and Permit revenue is expected to gradually return to normal levels, \$2.2m and \$2.4m respectively. Also, large events, such as concerts, fairs and festivals resuming in 2021 will result in Special Detail revenues returning to normal mid-2021 (\$800,000 annually).



# **Agency Equity Plan and Goals**

### Key Equity Work and Accomplishments

- The Medical Unit provides additional medical services to under resourced communities and those experiencing homelessness in the Central Business District area. It is the busiest fire company of the department.
- New fire recruit academies are more diverse than ever before with higher representation of women and diversity in racial/ethnic backgrounds. DFD's current average for women firefighters is 6%, above the 4% national average.

### 2022 Budget Expansion Equity Considerations

- Maintaining response times and essential services to those in need of emergency medical support services by adding an additional Medical Unit.
- Evaluating diversity goals and objectives among DFD membership for future recruiting and training opportunities. Two additional recruit academies are planned for 2022.
- Enhancing equity, inclusion and diversity training opportunities to ensure members from different biological sex/gender identities, racial or ethnic backgrounds feel valued, respected and welcomed. Planned additional resources allocated to DFD's Wellness Program and training new fire recruits.



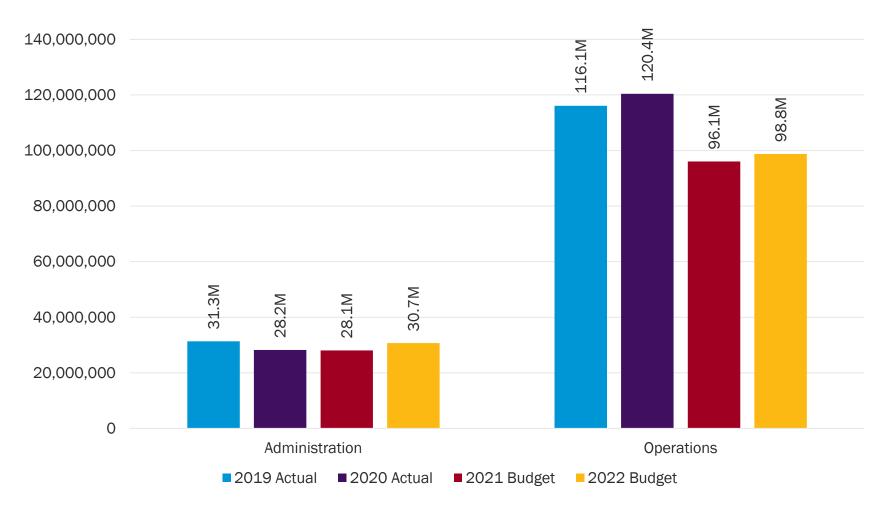
# Agency Total General Fund Expansions



\*Additional Personnel budget returned to the 2022 base due to the one-time 2021 CBA agreement \*\*\$60,000 Utility Vehicle for the new Medical Unit budgeted through the Fleet Fund 5

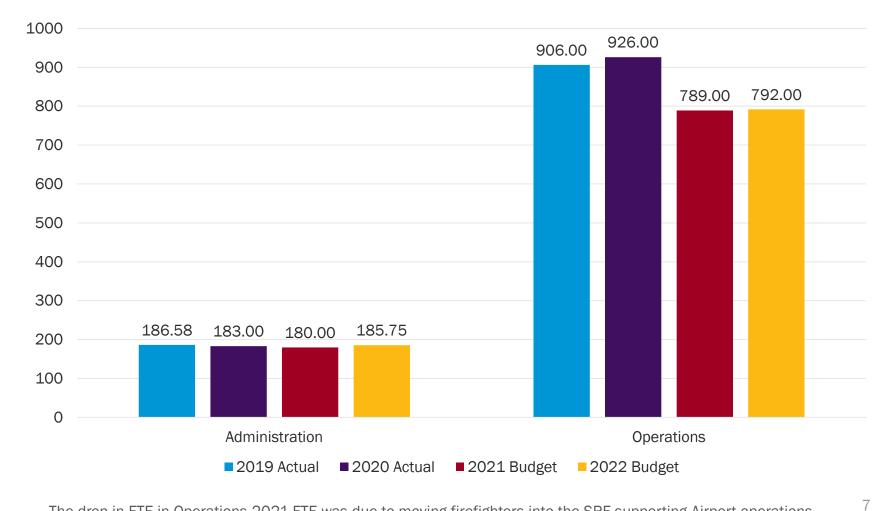


# **YOY General Fund Budget**





## **YOY General Fund FTE**



The drop in FTE in Operations 2021 FTE was due to moving firefighters into the SRF supporting Airport operations.



## **Authorized Strength Chart**

#### 1,100 Avg Attrition Per Year Attrition Rate 37 37.00 \*07/18-6/21 Jan 2022, 1,067 1,075 2021 2022 2023 Authorized Strength 1,067 1,071 1,071 Avg Effective Strength 1,043 1.027 1,034 1,050 1,025 Date of Num of Date Effective Recruit Class Class Recruits Recruit Class 2021 Oct 2021 24 Mar-22 1,000 Recruit Class #1 Apr 2022 24 Sep-22 Recruit Class #2 Sep 2022 24 Feb-23 975 950 925 900 May 2021 Oct 2021 Nov 2021 Dec 2021 Jan 2022 Nov 2023 Mar 2021 Apr 2021 Aug 2021 Aug 2022 Sep 2022 Nov 2022 Jan 2021 Feb 2021 Jun 2021 Jul 2021 Feb 2022 Mar 2022 Apr 2022 May 2022 Jun 2022 Jul 2022 Oct 2022 Dec 2022 Jan 2023 Feb 2023 Mar 2023 Apr 2023 May 2023 Jun 2023 Jul 2023 Aug 2023 Sep 2023 2023 Dec 2023 to Actual Strength Effective Strength Avg Effective Strength - Auth Strength

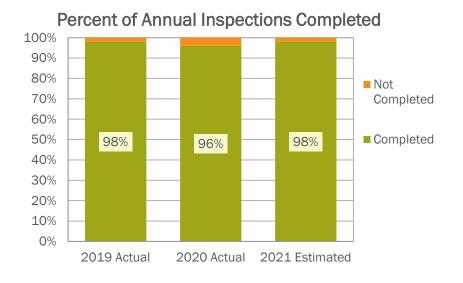
#### DENVER FIRE STAFFING OPTIMIZATION



# **Fire Administration**

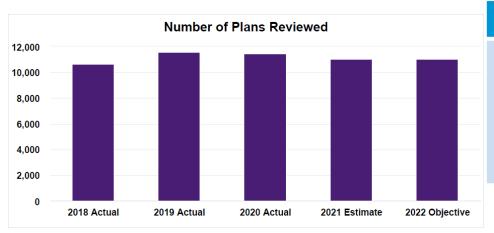
- 1. Fire Prevention: Building Inspections, Plan Reviews, Marijuana & Hazmat Unit, Conveyance, Fire Safety Permits and Licenses
- 2. Technical Services: Dispatch, Communications, Facility Maintenance, Warehouse, Fleet
- 3. Administration Services: Finance, Community Services/Public Information, Recruiting, Human Resources, Arson
- 4. Safety and Training: Wellness, New Recruit Training, Safety Program

### DENVER THE MILE HIGH CITY Key Strategic Metrics & Equity Framework



#### **Budget Equity Framework Summary**

Additional plan review resources are requested to meet the ongoing demand of the construction and business industries. These projects support additional Affordable Housing and safety of our community.



#### **City Council Priority Summary**

Budget Priority 2: Increase affordable housing options by adding additional Fire Protection Engineers to support new construction projects.

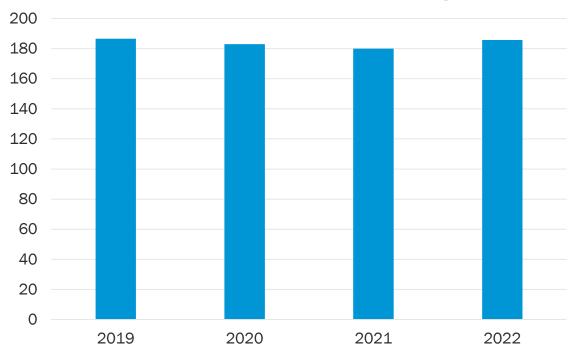
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## Fire Administration Personnel Expansions

Personnel Expenditures	FTE	<b>Complimentary Services &amp; Supplies</b>
\$749,700	5.75 - Unlimited	\$1,773,800

+5.75 change in FTE from 2021 is due to 4.75 new Fire Protection Engineers and one new Mechanical Inspector for Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus repairs and maintenance. Services increase is due to one additional Fire recruit class in 2022 and new wellness program investment.



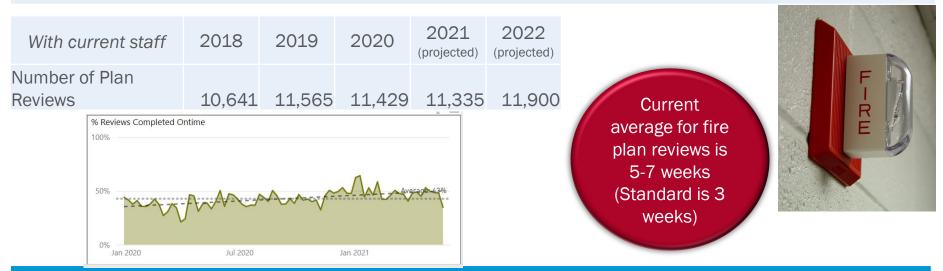
#### Fire Administration Personnel (Budgeted)



## **Fire Administration** Fire Protection Engineers (CSA) Expansion

Expenditures	FTE
\$664,600	4.75 Permanent

Five additional Fire Protection Engineers are requested to meet the on-going high demand of permit reviews for the construction and development industry in the city. One Fire Protection Engineer is budgeted for three-quarters of the year and will support the Affordable Housing Development Review Team.



#### **Budget Equity Framework Summary**

The ability to reduce review times and receive testing approvals would directly benefit the Affordable Housing Community. For example, delays for plan review and testing resulted in the developer for the Denver Housing Authorities' new project in Sun Valley to incur \$44,000 in penalty fees per day.



# **Fire Operations**

- 1. Fire Suppression: Fire Station Staffing and Operations, Medical Unit, Wildland firefighting, Colorado Task Force
- Airport (funded under Special Revenue Fund): DEN firefighting and rescue operations, Aircraft Rescue and Fire Fighting (ARFF) Fire Station Staffing and Operations

### DENVER THE MILE HIGH CITY Key Strategic Metrics & Equity Framework

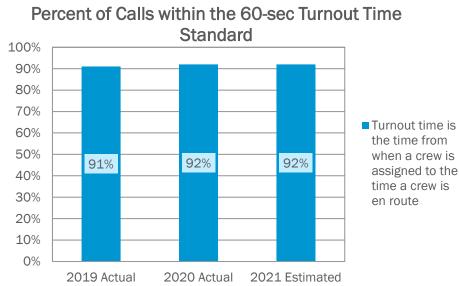
 Number of Fire Suppression and Emergency Responses

 125,000
 123,428
 122,824

 115,000
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 110,000
 111,242
 105,000

 100,000
 2019 Actual
 2020 Actual
 2021 Estimated

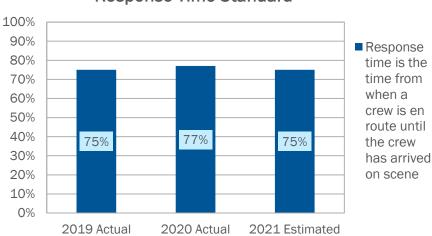


#### **Budget Equity Framework Summary**

Denver Fire is proactively assigning resources to the areas with the highest need (including neighborhoods in Denver's inverted L) through implementation of the Medical Unit - an innovative approach for fire service.

#### **City Council Priority Summary**

Priority 3: Reframe safety in a public health, evidence-based and anti-racist approach with community investment to ensure healthy neighborhoods. Med Unit expansion will allow DFD to proactively assign resources to areas of highest need.



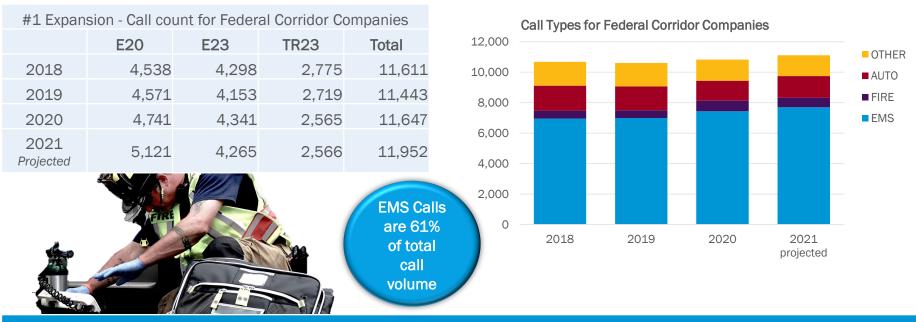
#### Percent of Calls within the 4-minute Response Time Standard



# **Medical Unit Expansion**

Expenditures	FTE	Duration
\$351,093	4 EMT's	Permanent

This request will establish an additional Medical Unit to cover the Southwest Federal Corridor to allow for more efficient, effective and alternative response to low level medical calls, ensuring fire apparatus is available to respond quickly to emergency services for fire incidents, high rise rescues, vehicle accidents, etc.

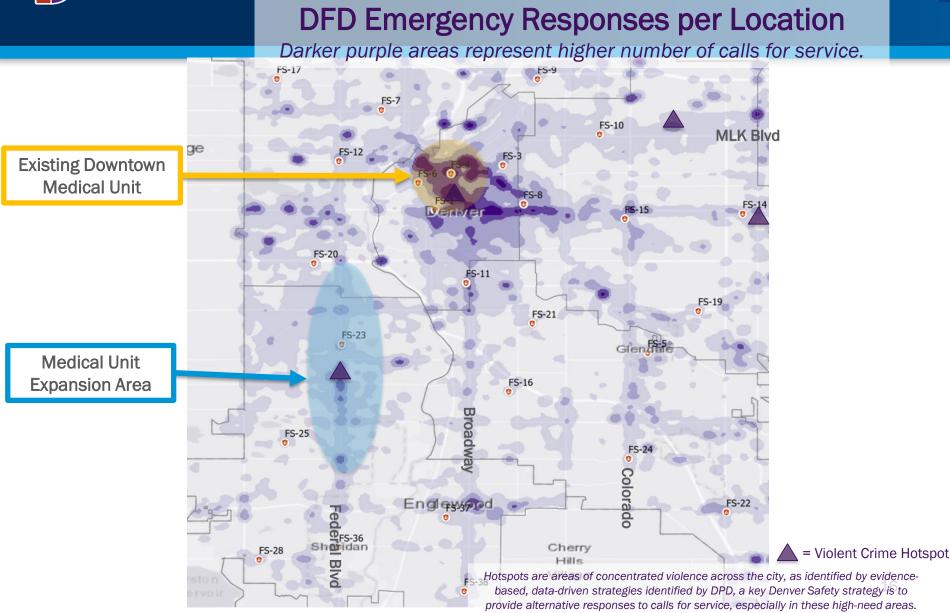


#### **Budget Equity Framework Summary**

This request will directly benefit the Federal Corridor, City Park West, Clayton, and surrounding neighborhoods by providing additional medical support services to these areas.



# **Medical Unit Expansion**





# **List of Other Expansions**

TITLE/DESCRIPTION	BUDGET IMPACT	FTE	DURATION
Mechanical Inspector (CSA) for Self- Contained Breathing Apparatus repairs and maintenance	\$85,100	1.0	Ongoing
Two fire recruit academies	\$1,611,300	0.0	Ongoing
Increase in services for wellness program targeted to meet the specific needs of firefighters	\$162,500	0.0	Ongoing
Increase in personnel services for firefighters who will be funded by the airport for a partial year in 2022	\$934,800	0.0	Ongoing
Increase in services and supplies for board up services	\$90,000	0.0	Ongoing
Increase for Denver Health operating agreement	\$69,800	0.0	Ongoing



# 2022 American Rescue Plan Act Funding

Approved Restoration/Supplemental Services Change Request (carry over from 2021)	2022 Amount
Restore Uniform personnel services for under realized vacancy savings and support to suppression reassignments.	6,014,401
Services and supplies related to restored positions in 2021	33,134
One-time capital equipment to support restored positions and operational services that were cut in 2021	65,000
Total	\$6,112,535

#### **ARPA Budget Equity Summary**

This request will benefit those who require additional emergency medical support and fire services. Adequate budgetary resources ensure that we can meet Denver's needs and maintain adequate response times.