Fire Department Divisions

There are five major divisions that make up the Lake Oswego Fire Department. Fire Operations, Fire Prevention, Fire Department Training, Emergency Management and Emergency Medical Services.

Fire Operations
Fire Operations is responsible for 24-hour fire, rescue and emergency medical services to the citizens of Lake Oswego and the citizens of our contracted districts, Lake Grove Rural Fire District, Alto Park Water District and Riverdale Dunthorpe Fire District.

Fire Prevention
Fire Prevention is responsible for fire and life safety of new construction, maintenance inspections, public education, fire investigation and juvenile firesetter intervention.

Fire Department Training
Fire training is responsible for providing the many hours of training our firefighters and medics are required to maintain and includes Fire Operations, Emergency Medical Services and Water Dive Rescue Training.

Emergency Management
The Fire Department and City Manager's Office oversee the City's Emergency Management Program. This program is responsible for planning, preparing, and providing for the prevention, mitigation and management of emergencies or disasters that present a threat to the lives and property of citizens of Lake Oswego. This includes coordinating and facilitating emergency planning, preparedness, response, and recovery activities.

On-going projects to strengthen the City's emergency management capabilities include updating the City's Emergency Operations Plan and Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan. In addition, Emergency Management involves:

- CodeRED - Emergency Notification
- Preparedness Tips for Individuals and Businesses
- Important Phone Numbers
- Information regarding Flood Insurance
- Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES)
- Community Emergency Response Teams (CERT)

Emergency Medical Services

Medical emergencies are a large portion of our call volume. The fire department responds as a Advanced Life Support (ALS) quick response unit together with American Medical Response (AMR) who is a private ambulance company.

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