

Municipal Budget 2016

Fact Sheets



FIRE AND EMERGENCY

Halifax Regional Fire & Emergency (HRFE) is dedicated to enhancing and preserving the quality of life, property and environment through education, leadership and effective response to emergencies. HRFE is responsible for fire and emergency services for a population of 414,000 (2014) spread accross 5,600 square kilometers, including a large rural area. HRFE is a mix of approximately 1,000 career and volunteer firefighters who respond from 52 stations across the municipality.

Highlights:

- Fire crews responded to approximately 11,000 emergencies in 2014
- Services include fire and emergency response, medical response, explosive response, hazardous materials response, vehicle rescue, water/ice rescue, structural/confined space rescue, as well as search and rescue
- Oversee the Emergency Management Office (EMO), public education programs and fire prevention activities, as well as more than 3,000 inspections and investigations annually
- Approximately 150 support vehicles (e.g. utilities, cars, vans) and 110 front line apparatus (e.g. engines, pumpers, and aerials)