Dear Resident:

2012 was a very successful year for the Fire Rescue District. Much of our focus has been on the goals and objectives defined within our Strategic Plan. This Plan is designed to improve our organization and our service to the community. It is a commitment to be the very best we can be.

We have also emphasized our commitment to be a partner in the community and not just an emergency response agency. While being ready for any type of hazard that may affect those we protect is our primary responsibility, we are also dedicated to improving the overall quality of life in the community.

The men and women who work at the Fire Rescue District live by our values everyday: Honor; Courage; Commitment; Respect; and Unity.

We hope that you find this report to be interesting and informative. Special thanks to Public Safety Educator Dawn Blunt who compiled the data and developed the finished version of this document. On behalf of all of the Fire District personnel, thank you for your continued support and confidence in us.

Respectfully,

Mark A. Bodane
Fire Chief
2012 Highlights

- The first update and revision to the 5 year Strategic Plan was completed and approved by the Board.
- Members of the Fire District participated in the St. Baldrick’s fundraiser to battle childhood cancer, raising more than $3,200.
- Scott Gerhardt, Arlin Riggi, and Frank Serafini were re-elected to the Board of Directors.
- Members of the Fire District participated in the Help for Homes community service project.
- The Fire District’s new website, www.brightonfire.org, went online.
- The District received a $78,000 grant from the federal Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) for the addition of a fire sprinkler system at Station 51 and the replacement of the diesel exhaust system at Station 52.
- Members of the Fire District participated in the fire hose relay on the ski slopes to raise funds for the Children’s Burn Center.
- The District received a grant of $7,597 from the Department of Public Health for the purchase of automatic external defibrillators and an injury prevention program for senior citizens.
- A paramedic program implementation study was completed for placing firefighter/paramedics on fire engines in order to improve EMS services. An AFG grant was applied for to fund that program.
- Members of the Fire District participated in the Muscular Dystrophy Association Chili Cook-off in downtown Denver.
- The District received a $690,882 grant from the federal Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) grant for the hiring of six (6) Firefighter/EMT’s.
- During September open houses were held at the District’s five fire stations. More than 1,200 residents attended these events.
- The Fire District’s Color Guard deployed for The State of the City address, the 9-11 ceremony, and the Parade of Lights.
- The Fire District awarded a $1000 college scholarship to a graduating high school student.
- The Fire District held its second “Truck or Treat” event on Halloween, which was a great success as more than 250 people attended.
- Chris Signer, Ryan Tate, Brian Lopez, Ron Chavez, Devin Mellars, Theron Virtue, Cole Miller, and Steve Chose were hired as career Firefighters.
- Tim Thompson was hired as a Fire Inspector.
- Two brush fire response vehicles were refurbished to provide for a more efficient design.
The Fire District participated in a joint firefighter academy with the consortium of North Area Fire Departments, which consists of 10 north metro area departments.

The Brighton Professional Firefighters coordinated the Labor Day fundraiser with donations of more than $11,700 for the Muscular Dystrophy Association.

Firefighters Colin Brunt, Aaron Schissler, Ken Maine; Engineers Sean McCulloch, Kevin Carson; and Lieutenants Brad Cogburn and Chris Forbes received their Fire Officer I certification.

District crews attended the City of Brighton’s ward barbeque, CultureFest, July 4th Celebration, and many other events.

Engineers Dan Grein, Kevin Carson; Firefighters Aaron Schissler and Ken Maine received an Associate’s Degree in Fire Science.

Stephanie Hackett was hired as the Emergency Management Coordinator for the City of Brighton and the Fire District.

At the annual awards dinner, the following individuals were recognized:

- Chris Edwards, Tyler Everitt, and Rand Sheldon – Distinguished Service
- Amy Reinhardt – Career Firefighter of the Year
- Victor Calvo – Reserve Firefighter of the Year
- Jeremy Osgood, Tony Spresser, and Bill Bennett received Company Citations.
- John Blunt, Kevin Carson, Mike Prill, Brycen Garrison, Scott Griffith, and Chris Woolley received a Certificate of Recognition.
## Membership Roster

### Board of Directors
- **President** – Dean Morris
- **Vice-President** – Scott Gerhardt
- **Treasurer** – Frank Serafini
- **Secretary** – Arlin Riggi
- **Asst. Secretary** – Michael Benallo

### Chief Staff
- **Mark Bodane** - Fire Chief
- **Kris Krengel** - Division Chief/Fire Marshal
- **John Schissler** - Division Chief/Technical Services
- **Michael Schuppe** - Division Chief/Operations

### Administrative Staff
- **Carol Thompson** - Admin Secretary
- **Rita Saunders** - Accountant

### Fire Prevention
- **Dan Biro** - Fire Protection Engineer
- **Dawn Blunt** - Public Safety Educator
- **Tim Thompson** - Fire Inspector

### Technical Services
- **Doug Tweedy** - Mechanic

### Battalion Chiefs
- **Phil Beehler** - C-Shift
- **Chris Woolley** - A-Shift
- **Rand Sheldon** - B-Shift
- **Gerard Lutz** - Training

### Lieutenants
- **John Blunt, Jr.**
- **Mark Brasel**
- **Brad Cogburn**
- **Gary Dawson**
- **Chris Edwards**
- **Chris Forbes**
- **Brycen Garrison**
- **Scott Griffith**
- **Brian Nekvasil**
- **Brian Olivas**
- **William Porterfield**
- **Michael Prill**
- **Tony Spresser**

### Engineers
- **Bill Bennett**
- **Kevin Carson**
- **Frank DiLorenzo**
- **Dave DiLorenzo**
- **Pasquale DiLorenzo**
- **Chris Elliott**
- **Todd Godek**
- **Daniel Grein**
- **Chris Hove**
- **Chris Kennison**
- **Scott Kinne**
- **Justin Lauridson**
- **Sean McCulloch**
- **Mike Nekvasil**
- **John Stevens**
- **Jeff Wright**

### Career Firefighters
- **Colin Brunt**
- **Ron Chavez**
- **Steve Choe**
- **Nick DiAnnie**
- **Jesse Eversman**
- **Brian Guyer**
- **Travis Hahl**
- **John Johnson**
- **Matthew Joslin**
- **Brian Lopez**
- **Clint Mader**
- **Ken Maine**
- **Michael Medina**
- **Devin Mellars**
- **Cole Miller**
- **Mario Molinaro**
- **Jeremy Osgood**
- **Aaron Schissler**
- **Chris Signer**
- **Ryan Tate**
- **Richard Towndrow**
- **Theron Virtue**

### Reserve Firefighters
- **Jeremy Champlin**
- **Michael Cos-Y-Leon**
- **David Freyta**
- **Clay Kunde**
- **Jared Moses**

### Doug Saba
- **Brian Tarango**
- **Peter Wray**
In 2012 there was a 2% increase in all calls for the year. There was a 12% increase in fire calls, a 2% increase in EMS/Rescue calls, a 10% decrease in Service/Hazardous condition calls, and a 3% increase in False Alarm/Good Intent calls.

A Fire call includes any type of fire, indoors or out.

EMS calls are calls that are primarily medical in nature, including injury accidents. Rescue calls can range from unlocking a vehicle to water or ice rescue.

Service Calls include anything from an animal rescue to a water or steam leak. Hazardous Condition can be a gas leak or chemical spill.

False alarms are generally alarm system activation where fire services are not needed. Good Intent calls include authorized burning that was called in by a bystander and other incidents where typical fire services were not needed.
Response times are calculated from the time the dispatch center notifies the crew and that crew’s arrival on scene. Many factors can affect response times. For rural areas, the location may be 10 minutes or more away from the closest fire station.

Some calls are deemed non-emergency in nature, and crews will respond without lights and sirens. An example would be a child locked in a vehicle where the child is in no immediate danger. Response times greater than 10 minutes mostly reflect non-emergency responses.

Our goal as a fire district is to have a response time of 6 minutes or less 90% of the time for calls within the city limits and 10 minutes 90% of the time for calls outside the city limits.
In 2012, the fire district was able to stay within our average response times both within the city limits and outside the city limits.

The higher response times for the outside areas are due to the fact that a great majority of our fire district is miles outside the city limits. We have two fire stations that reach to our east and west locations, but there remain very remote areas of the district.

Every fire is investigated with the intent to determine the cause and origin of the fire. Although it is the goal of the District’s investigators to determine the cause and area of origin for each fire, we sometimes can only determine the area of origin and not the actual cause of ignition due to the severity of fire damage, as frequently occurs with vehicle fires.
In 2012, 98 car seat checks were completed for citizens and this included installing or correcting 123 seats.

Fire Prevention Month events were visits done during the month of October to eleven private and public elementary schools within the Fire District. During that time, crews visited all 1st and 2nd grade classes and made contact with 1621 students.

A total of 6 juvenile Firesetter Interviews were conducted in 2012. An additional 4 referrals were made, but contact attempts were unsuccessful.

The smoke detector program continues to be successful with 20 new detectors installed. Additionally, crews visited homes and replaced 17 batteries. Several of these battery replacements are in detectors that were provided by the fire district.

The Carbon Monoxide Detector program that was implemented in 2011 also continues to be successful. Crews installed 3 detectors in the homes of citizens in 2012.

Over the course of the year, crews and the Public Education Division made contact with approximately 2097 adults and 4651 children and provided them with some form of safety education.

In 2012 the District issued 190 permits, with associated fees totaling $42,317.

Staff completed 11 reviews of projects submitted through the City of Brighton Development Review Committee, 6 projects were referred for review by Adams County Planning, and 6 projects were referred for review by Weld County Planning. In total, staff completed 164 plan reviews in 2012. These include new and remodel construction projects and re-submittals.

District fire investigators conducted 73 fire investigations. A total of 54 hours were spent creating preplans for local businesses.

Staff completed 1933 inspections of businesses, and this includes re-inspections. A total of 849 violations were found during inspections.
### Technical Services

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Training and Safety

2012 proved to be another successful year for the Training Division. Members participated in over 12,500 hours of training covering various topics of fire fighting, emergency medical services, driver operator, technical rescue and hazardous materials.

District Training:
District instructors took great pride in preparing and implementing basic and advanced training classes at both the shift and multi-company levels. Through their efforts, the district’s level of training once again has increased immensely.

Specialized training of added interest:
- Ft. Lupton Burn Tower-
  - Live Fire Fixed Facility-275 hours
- EMS CE’s-
  - Fire crews received 1,750 hours of EMS continuing education training from Platte Valley Ambulance personnel covering various emergency trauma and medical topics.

Intermediate and Advance Training:
Crews participated in a variety of multi-company and multi-agency drills covering technical rescue and hazardous materials response, fire evolutions, firefighter entrapment avoidance and firefighter rescued drills (RIT). These drills were conducted at both district and non-district facilities.

Career Firefighter Testing:
- An eligibility list was established for Career Firefighters from reserve members. Twelve reserve members applied for the testing process with all members completing the process.
- Brighton Fire Rescue hired eight new career members in 2012 during two separate hiring processes. (Two personnel from the 2011 eligibility list and six from the 2012 eligibility list.) Two of the members attended a two week orientation presented by the training division. The remainder of the new members attended an eight week training academy presented at the North Area Fire Academy.

North Area Fire Academy:
Brighton Fire Rescue District participated in the first North Area Fire Academy. The academy was a combination of six area fire departments with 23 recruits attending. Participating departments supplied instructors, equipment and training locations for the academy.
- Six members completed over 2,000 hours of academy training.
- The training division participated in the academy with a full time instructor attending the academy.
  - Brighton hosted 1 day of the academy at Station 52 with adjunct instructors presenting water shuttle operations and firefighter survival skills.

Off-site Training
Members attended various outside training opportunities throughout the year. Trainings of particular interest include the following:
- National Fire Academy
- Fire Department Instructor's Conference (FDIC)
- Colorado Sate Fire Chief's Leadership Conference
- North Area Tech Rescue Team trainings
- Adams/Jeffco Hazmat Team trainings