

**Function**

The Fire Department divisions are administered by the Fire Department. There four divisions: Fire Operations, Fire Prevention, Fire Hydrant Maintenance, and Emergency and Disaster Program. The primary responsibility of the Fire Department is to protect lives and property through fire prevention, public education, fire suppression and investigation and to provide pre-hospital care on medical emergencies. Fire suppression forces are divided into four platoons consisting of 15 personnel each and respond out of four fire stations. The Fire Department is also responsible for ensuring the operational status and accessibility of all fire hydrants.

The Department also has the primary responsibility of working with the County Disaster and Emergency Services Director in the development and maintenance of a countywide comprehensive Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) in the event of a natural or man-made disaster.

The Fire organization chart is in the Organization Section – Fire Department.

**Fire Operations  
Budget Highlights**

<i>Fire Operations</i> Fire Department	FY 2005	FY 2006		FY 2007	
	Actual	Original	Amended	Projected	Adopted
Personal Services	4,006,127	4,052,925	4,052,925	4,041,834	4,300,256
Supplies & Materials	84,299	72,000	72,000	77,886	79,550
Purchased Services	137,692	141,748	141,748	154,298	183,850
Other Costs	277	3,000	3,000	0	2,000
Debt Service - Interest & Fees	0	0	0	0	0
Internal Service, Interfund	544,262	558,681	558,681	538,756	517,805
Subtotal Operating Expenses	4,772,657	4,828,354	4,828,354	4,812,774	5,083,461
Debt Service - Principal	0	0	0	0	0
Capital Outlay	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total Fire Operations</b>	<b>4,772,657</b>	<b>4,828,354</b>	<b>4,828,354</b>	<b>4,812,774</b>	<b>5,083,461</b>

**Goals and Objectives**

**Major Accomplishments - In the Past Year**

- Purchased used ambulance and converted it to a rescue vehicle to save maintenance costs on fire trucks.
- Purchased EMS biological and pathogen personal protective equipment.
- Conducted training for high and low angle training rescue, confined space rescue, joint training evolutions with the State Community Support Team (CST), and several Montana Fire School Firefighter I and II classes.
- Hired an EMS consultant to conduct a comprehensive analysis of the City's pre-hospital care system.
- Revised emergency operations and safety standard operating guides, the City disaster flood plan, and the emergency operations plan.

**Priority Goals and Objectives - For the Upcoming Year**

- Improve facility energy efficiency and repair/replace facility electrical and plumbing structure.
- Improve fitness and decrease line of duty injuries with an emphasis on back strains.
- Analyze employee fire protection best practices, conduct gap analysis, and develop strategic plans to implement practices that improve safety and service delivery.

**Fire Prevention  
Budget Highlights**

<i>Fire Prevention</i> Fire Department	FY 2005	FY 2006			FY 2007
	Actual	Original	Amended	Projected	Adopted
Personal Services	0	146,178	146,178	147,643	154,996
Supplies & Materials	0	9,450	9,450	8,500	10,300
Purchased Services	0	3,510	3,510	3,995	5,830
Other Costs	0	0	0	0	0
Debt Service - Interest & Fees	0	0	0	0	0
Internal Service, Interfund	0	7,076	7,076	7,076	65,408
Subtotal Operating Expenses	0	166,214	166,214	167,214	236,534
Debt Service - Principal	0	0	0	0	0
Capital Outlay	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total Fire Prevention</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>166,214</b>	<b>166,214</b>	<b>167,214</b>	<b>236,534</b>

**Goals and Objectives**

**Major Accomplishments - In the Past Year**

- Site plans completed on 65% of structures in city.
- Trained Fire Department employees in the use of mobile data terminals.

**Priority Goals and Objectives - For the Upcoming Year**

- Complete site plans for entire city
- Coordinate/convert site plans to electronic format for use in apparatus
- Continue smoke alarm installations in target properties

**Fire Hydrants Maintenance  
Budget Highlights**

<i>Fire Hydrant Maintenance</i> Fire Department	FY 2005	FY 2006			FY 2007
	Actual	Original	Amended	Projected	Adopted
Personal Services	40,058	43,967	43,967	47,525	47,018
Supplies & Materials	5,255	7,930	7,930	7,050	7,800
Purchased Services	775	3,000	3,000	2,000	2,000
Other Costs	0	0	0	0	0
Debt Service - Interest & Fees	0	0	0	0	0
Internal Service, Interfund	1,459	4,150	4,150	4,150	25,265
Subtotal Operating Expenses	47,547	59,047	59,047	60,725	82,083
Debt Service - Principal	0	0	0	0	0
Capital Outlay	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total Fire Hydrant Maintenance</b>	<b>47,547</b>	<b>59,047</b>	<b>59,047</b>	<b>60,725</b>	<b>82,083</b>

**Goals and Objectives**

**Major Accomplishments - In the Past Year**

- Used nonprofit groups to paint hydrants in an assigned area as a means to raise money for the nonprofit groups and accomplish required painting of hydrants.
- Maintained the fire hydrants and performed routine weed control.

**Priority Goals and Objectives - For the Upcoming Year**

- Inspect, flush and perform required maintenance of hydrants.
- Continue to use nonprofit groups to paint hydrants.

**Emergency and Disaster Program  
Budget Highlights**

<i>Emergency &amp; Disaster Program</i> Fire Department	FY 2005	FY 2006		FY 2007	
	Actual	Original	Amended	Projected	Adopted
Personal Services	31,686	35,336	35,336	33,859	35,778
Supplies & Materials	3,614	5,250	5,250	4,425	5,125
Purchased Services	23,189	6,600	6,600	2,800	6,750
Other Costs	0	0	0	0	0
Debt Service - Interest & Fees	0	0	0	0	0
Internal Service, Interfund	1,400	3,140	3,140	3,140	9,846
Subtotal Operating Expenses	59,889	50,326	50,326	44,224	57,499
Debt Service - Principal	0	0	0	0	0
Capital Outlay	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total Emergency &amp; Disaster Program</b>	<b>59,889</b>	<b>50,326</b>	<b>50,326</b>	<b>44,224</b>	<b>57,499</b>

**Goals and Objectives**

**Major Accomplishments - In the Past Year**

- First State Haz Mat Team deployment to incident in Lewistown MT.
- Continued to train with the hazardous material teams from Malmstrom and Air National Guard Fire Departments.
- Participated in the Black Eagle dam failure functional exercise.
- Provided City’s emergency preparedness and response capabilities to Government Review Commission.

**Priority Goals and Objectives - For the Upcoming Year**

- Assist County Disaster and Emergency Services in the development of a County wide emergency operations plan with emphasis on Pandemic Flu preparedness.
- Assist MT DES identify a permanent funding source of Regional Hazardous Materials Teams.
- Perform on site functional exercises to test the performance of the Hazardous Material Response Team.
- Develop strategies and response plans for Pandemic Flu epidemic and conduct Pandemic preparedness and response training for elected officials and city staff.