

# CITY OF DETROIT FISCAL 2008/09 BUDGET

## AGENCY 24 FIRE DEPARTMENT

### STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The Fire Department will help support the Mayor's vision to transform the government of the City of Detroit to the Next Detroit by applying the guiding principles of the Next Detroit, which means structural balancing by bringing costs in line with revenue, while improving services.

The Fire Department provides the citizens of the City of Detroit with an administratively and technically sound, Fire Department capable of protecting life and property through the efficient use of emergency, fire and rescue response resources. The Fire Department will afford pre-hospital medical service and enforce laws, ordinances and regulations relating to fire prevention and suppression, as well as maintain a high state of emergency management coordination through sustained planning, training and an effective liaison to the Office of Homeland Security.

### DESCRIPTION

The Fire Department is headed by the Fire Commissioner and has a budgeted strength of some 1,535 employees assigned to 10 divisions: Firefighting Battalions, Research & Development, Administrative, Apparatus, Community Relations, Fire Marshal, Training, Emergency Medical, Medical and Communications. The Department operates and maintains approximately 50 facilities throughout the City of Detroit.

### GOALS

1. Enhance customer services by continuously reviewing and assessing customer needs and providing a consistent, high quality of service.
2. Identify and recommend new sources of Fire Department revenue.
3. Improve employee development and quality of services by upgrading Fire/EMS service training and educational opportunities.
4. To promote user-friendly services through sustained participation in community organizations, while providing community awareness and outreach programs to the public.

### DEPARTMENTAL FINANCIAL INFORMATION

	<u>GENERAL</u> <u>FUND</u>	<u>CAPITAL</u> <u>PROJECTS</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
EXPENDITURES	\$187,195,995	\$5,500,000	\$192,695,995
REVENUE	<u>18,316,083</u>	<u>5,500,000</u>	<u>23,816,083</u>
NET TAX COST	\$168,879,912	\$ 0	\$168,879,912
POSITIONS	1,535	0	1,535