

Santa Clara County Fire Service Regionalization Initiatives Update: August 2015



The Fire Chiefs Association's role is to support the fire, rescue and emergency medical service needs of communities in Santa Clara County through the development of customer-focused and sustainable initiatives designed to:

- ❖ Create operational efficiencies
- ❖ Leverage existing emergency response resources
- ❖ Improve service quality
- ❖ Eliminate redundancy
- ❖ Increase standardization



Why these Initiatives?

Why now?

- LAFCO Report
- Strong collaboration among the fire chiefs – a unified voice
- Experience with resource sharing and regionalization
- Regional strategic planning workshop with Labor
- Good Public Policy



Completed Initiatives

- ✓ Fire Apparatus Renumbering Plan
- ✓ Incident Command Training Centers
- ✓ Emergency Medical Services Strategic Planning
- ✓ Joint Strategic Planning Retreat with Police Chiefs Association
- ✓ Super Bowl 50 Planning



Current Initiatives

- ❑ Super Bowl 50 Planning
- ❑ EMS system support, planning & improvement
- ❑ Standardize & Regionalize
 - Major Incident Support Team
 - Emergency Management
 - Hazardous Materials & Technical Rescue Teams
 - Fire & Life Safety Codes, Plan Review, Inspections



Mountain View, Palo Alto, San Jose & Santa Clara County Fire Departments

- ✓ Boundary drops

Closest unit response

- ✓ Seamless response protocols

- ❑ Regional Fire & EMS Dispatch & Command Center

Consultant presenting feasibility study to staff in September

Next steps: Implementation Roadmap



Questions & Feedback

- Your direction to proceed
- Support from the Cities Association

