

BLACK FOREST FIRE RESCUE PROTECTION DISTRICT

The Black Forest Fire Rescue Protection District (BFFRPD) is made up entirely of unincorporated areas of El Paso County, Colorado's most populous county.

The department is a Title 32 special district that is governed by a five-member, publicly elected board of directors who serve four-year terms. The department is managed by a career fire chief, assistant fire chief and an administrative assistant. The department currently has nine career firefighter/EMTs, 14 part-time firefighter/EMTs and 36 Volunteer Firefighter/EMTs.

The department responds to calls within a 48-square-mile area of unincorporated El Paso County. The district serves a population of approximately 10,000 residents and protects more than 5,000 structures with a market value of more than \$1.4 billion.

We respond to about 900 calls a year in Black Forest. We also provide Advanced Life Support transport of the sick and injured to area hospitals.

All alarm responses are made within an eight-minute average for the district. The department operates from two stations.

- **Station 1: 11445 Teachout Road, Colorado Springs, CO 80908**
- **Station 2: 16465 Ridge Run Road, Colorado Springs, CO 80908**

Black Forest has an insurance rating (ISO) of 5 for all properties located within five road miles of any of the stations. The department is supported by a property tax rate of 10.356 mills.

HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

The Black Forest Volunteer Fire Department was organized in 1945 by a group of volunteers who saw a need in the community. The department owned and operated its assets until the formation of the Black Forest Fire Rescue Protection District, a special district under the statutes of the state of Colorado. Black Forest Fire Rescue was recognized as a fire district by El Paso County on October 11th, 1967.

Station 1



Station 1 is our primary station that houses our administrative offices. The station is staffed 24/7 with full-time career members who respond to all emergencies, including the transport of sick and injured.

The station was opened in 2003.

Apparatus at Station 1 includes:

- Engine 711 (Type 1)
- Engine 741 (Brush truck)
- Engine 745 (Brush truck)
- Engine 715 (Type 3 interface)
- Tender 761 (Water hauler)
- Tender 765 (Water hauler)
- Ambulance 781 (Advanced Life Support)
- Ambulance 780 (Advanced Life Support)
- Chiefs' vehicles
- Utility vehicle

Station 2



Station 2 opened in 2009 is a four-bay station with living area for four personnel. This station is staffed with part-time personnel from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. daily.

Equipment in this Station 2 includes:

- Engine 712
- Engine 742 (Brush truck)
- Tender 762/Reserve Type 1 Engine (Water hauler)
- Ambulance 782 (Advanced Life Support)