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Message From Chief Bales

It is my honor to present the 2016 Annual Report summarizing the activities of the Golden Fire Department and its members. This overview reflects the hard work and dedication of the staff and members of the Department who have made significant sacrifices to ensure that the citizens and the visitors to the City of Golden continue to receive the highest quality level of service they have become accustomed. 2016 was not without challenges but the staff and members have continued to work, maintain and enhance service levels, keeping up to date with capital equipment replacements and continued to make technological advancements with the necessary tools to perform many administrative and operational functions. A major goal was the development of specifications for a new Type 1 Engine that was approved for the 2017 budget and will be delivered in the late summer. In 2016, there was a record 1640 emergency responses by our firefighters. There were several major structure fires but none had any serious injuries or loss of life. There was a fire loss of $907,701.00 but a property saved amount of $117,461,740.00, which is 99.2% save rate. A 14-person recruit academy was successfully completed and several grants from local and state agencies assisted us in procuring some much-needed equipment. The department hired a new Fire Mechanic in 2016 with the implementation of a new maintenance program emphasizing preventative maintenance on our apparatus, facilities and equipment. We continue our approach to making firefighter safety our #1 goal and at the same time continuing to meet the mission of the Golden Fire Department for many years to come.

2016 Grants Received

Golden Civic Foundation:
$2,000 for the purchase of upgrading air monitoring equipment.

Colorado Gaming Grant:
$4000 for the replacement of aging Swift water/ice rescue equipment.

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**Golden Fire Department Year In Review 2016**

**GFD 2016 at a Glance**

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<th>Number of Personnel</th>
<th>Firefighter of the Year</th>
<th>RESIDENTS SERVED</th>
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<td>9 Career Staff</td>
<td>Tony Orlando</td>
<td>18,867</td>
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<td>85 Volunteer Staff</td>
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<th>Average Response Time</th>
<th>Total Personnel Training Hours</th>
<th>Busiest Firehouse</th>
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<td>5:08</td>
<td>13,180</td>
<td>1314 Incidents</td>
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<th>Square Miles Covered</th>
<th>Wednesday's Busiest Day &amp; Time of Day</th>
<th>Dollar Amount of Property Saved</th>
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<td>18.5</td>
<td>5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.</td>
<td>$117,461,740</td>
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The Firefighter of the Year, by definition, is awarded to an outstanding firefighter that has demonstrated his/her commitment through call participation in emergencies, meetings, training, fundraising and work detail. The firefighter’s actions must have represented the best characteristics of a Golden Firefighter. Providing customer service both internally and externally is one characteristic that best describes this year's 2016 nominee. Chief Bales mentioned a few of the highlights from the nomination letters submitted to him for Firefighter of the Year nominations. Tony Orlando received the award this year.

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Fire and Life Safety Division

The Fire and Life Safety Division of the Golden Fire Department is responsible for ensuring that all buildings meet applicable fire codes. This division is responsible for the following activities:

- Building inspections
- Building plan reviews
- Public education & training programs
- Fire protection system inspections
- Fire preplanning
- Fire investigations

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<th>Fire Prevention Function</th>
<th>2015</th>
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<td>Plans Received on New Electronic Plans Review System</td>
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<td>Construction &amp; Operational Permit Plans Review</td>
<td>404</td>
<td>408</td>
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<td>Construction &amp; Operational Permit Inspections</td>
<td>262</td>
<td>816</td>
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<td>Fire and Life Safety Maintenance Inspections</td>
<td>349</td>
<td>375</td>
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<td>Fire Origin &amp; Cause Investigations:</td>
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<tr>
<td>- Fire and Life Safety Division</td>
<td>14</td>
<td>15</td>
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<td>- Arson Charged</td>
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<td>- Citizen Complaint Investigations</td>
<td>213</td>
<td>135</td>
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<th>Public Education and Training Programs</th>
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<td>School Events</td>
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<td>14</td>
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<td>Station Tours</td>
<td>21</td>
<td>86</td>
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<td>Child Passenger Safety Seat Education</td>
<td>59</td>
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Training Division

Academy
Thirteen recruits completed the 16-week 250 hour Golden Fire Department Volunteer Academy. The recruits obtained Colorado State Firefighter I and Hazmat Operations Certifications.

Firefighter II Academy
Six members completed Colorado State Firefighter II Certification.

Wildland S130/190 Certification
Six members completed the 30-hour Wildland Firefighter S130/190 course.

Driver/Operator Training
Twenty-one members completed advanced driver training and were certified as Colorado State Driver Operators for utility, rescue, pumper, and aerial apparatus.

Swiftwater Rescue Training
Golden Fire hosted three Swiftwater rescue classes through Dive Rescue International including three-day Swiftwater Rescue I class, three-day Swiftwater Rescue II classes, and the 60-hour Swiftwater Rescue Trainer class. One member completed Swiftwater I Certification and three members completed Swiftwater II Certification.

Active Shooter Rescue Task Force Training
Active shooter incidents have increased nationwide. As a result, Golden Firefighters underwent over 80 hours of training in 2016 on how to assist law enforcement officers with the removal of victims in such an incident. The firefighters trained with numerous local agencies including Golden Police, Colorado School of Mines Police, Jeffco Sheriffs, and the Department of Homeland Security.

Emergency Medical Services Intravenous Therapy Training
Seven members along with firefighters from neighboring agencies were certified to provide IV Therapy for patients on our emergency scenes.

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<th>Category</th>
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<td>Driver/Operator</td>
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<td>1039</td>
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<td>Fire Instructor</td>
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<td>302</td>
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<td>Firefighting</td>
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<td>Hazardous Materials</td>
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<td>793</td>
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<td>Technical Rescue</td>
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<td>Wildland</td>
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<td>Total Training Hours</td>
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Operations Division

Eight Steep Slope Evacuations

Three Swift Water Rescues

16 Structure Fires

23 Wildland Fires

Incidents By Type | 2015 | 2016
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Fires | 48 | 70
Overpressure, rupture explosion | 9 | 30
Rescue & Emergency Medical Service | 849 | 883
Hazardous Condition (fire) | 92 | 84
Service Call | 85 | 91
Good Intent Call | 226 | 256
False Alarm & False Call | 226 | 218
Severe Weather & Natural Disaster | 1 | 4
Special Incident Type | 20 | 3
Total Incidents | 1556 | 1640

Total Calls by District

| District | 2015 | 2016 |
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District 1 | 735 | 796
District 2 | 684 | 694
MillerCoors Property | 10 | 8
Clear Creek Canyon | 62 | 37
Out of City Gaming Related | 27 | 57
Out of City Other | 38 | 47
Average Response Time | 4:56 min. | 5:08 min
Mutual Aid Given | 27 | 37
Mutual Aid Received | 49 | 42
Total Dollar Loss | $256,435 | $907,701
Total Save Amount | $363,379,415 | $117,461,740

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The Golden Fire Department provides medical transportation for people who are injured or sick through a contract for service with American Medical Response (AMR). In November 2015, the City of Golden entered into a five-year contract that has extendable options. This is a great example of how the Golden Fire Department is utilizing public-private partnerships to provide the best outcome for our visitors and citizens. Judson Miller, AMR Captain heads up the operations on the private side. Jud works closely with Chief Bales on a regular basis.

Occasionally crews will stop by a local grocery store to pick up dinner and supplies. While shopping, the crew came across the young man who was interested in firefighters. Firefighter Truc Nguyen interacted with the future recruit and made the young lad’s day! This type of community participation is priceless!

Each year personnel will go to Children’s Hospital around Halloween and help the staff with children making Halloween decorations. In the photo above, Spark poses for a photo with the hospital staff.

An invitation to neighbors was sent out to observe the acquired structure training that was being planned. This young man and his grandparents attended the training. His grandmother commented, “The friendly way the firemen related to a little boy, posing with him for pictures to record this really special experience, demonstrated the culture of the Golden Fire Department, which has always been something I’ve admired.”

“In September 2016 GFD hosted the Sixth Annual Safety Day! Each year Sparky interacts with children during the Event which is hosted by the GFD and UCHealth at Station 21.
ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF
John, Bales, Fire Chief
Debbie Testroet, Administrative Coordinator
Jerry Stricker, Deputy Chief/Fire Marshal
Katie Quintana, Deputy Fire Marshal
Jonathan Priestly, Fire Inspector
Jeanette Kehoe, Training Captain
Tom Young, Administrative Captain
Anna Trzeciak, Media Assistant
Kyle Raley, Fire Mechanic
Mark Testroet, Fire Chaplain

ASSISTANT/DISTRICT CHIEFS
Bob Burrell, Operations Commander
Rocco Snart, District 1
Aaron Giesick, District 2

CAPTAINS
Joe Gross, Station 21
Tina Gustafson, Station 24
Ben Moline, Station 21
Wes Polk, Station 24
Dan Roozen, Station 24
Chad Wachs, Station 21

LIEUTENANTS
Ryan Smith
Sean Stull

SHIFT OFFICERS
Jeff Hulse, Lieutenant
Jason Mulari, Lieutenant
Jeff Steinhoff, Lieutenant

FIREFIGHTERS
CJ Adkins, Firefighter
Joe Anderson II, Firefighter
Shawn Arbuthnot, Firefighter
Angela Baca–Degarie, Firefighter
Jeff Boyer, Firefighter
Daniel Casey, Firefighter
Chase Champlain, Firefighter
Nicholas Childers, Firefighter
Jeff Cole, Firefighter
Case Collard, Firefighter
Andrew Crawford, Firefighter
Brandon Daruna, Firefighter
Neville Dewitt-Pierat, Firefighter
Kyle Diethorn, Firefighter
Matthew Edmunds, Firefighter
Amelia Englemann, Firefighter
Matt Finley, Firefighter
Jason Flickner, Firefighter
David Flynt, Firefighter
Jason Fritch, Firefighter
Damon Gentrup, Firefighter
Daniel Glynn, Firefighter
Richard Gonzales, Firefighter
Kayla Goodbout, Firefighter

Devin Hallock, Firefighter
Jacob Harris, Firefighter
Timothy Hinkle, Firefighter
Anthony Hittle, Firefighter
Scott Hofmann, Firefighter
Michael Jojola, Firefighter
Cody Kalb, Firefighter
Dustin King, Firefighter
Brent Klingemann, Firefighter
Joshua Kroening, Firefighter
Anthony Martinez, Firefighter
Ryan Masica, Firefighter
Sean McNiff, Firefighter
Kevin Milan, Firefighter
William Moorhead, Firefighter
Kristopher Nagy, Firefighter
Truc Nguyen, Firefighter
Lee North, Firefighter
John O’Connor, Firefighter
Victorio Orlando, Firefighter
Adam Phipps, Firefighter
Mason Prince, Firefighter
Jarrod Raney, Firefighter
Penny Reed, Firefighter

JJ Risch, Firefighter
Jon-Daniel Rotzoll, Firefighter
James Rudnicki-Vasquez, Firefighter
Ulises Sarinana, Firefighter
Dustin Schissler, Firefighter
Christian Schmidt, Firefighter
Morgan Sellers, Firefighter
Zeljko Spiric, Firefighter
Marcus Staley, Firefighter
Jacob Steffens, Firefighter
Joseph Trujillo, Firefighter
Marina Valenzuela, Firefighter
Joseph Vogel, Firefighter
Patrick Wasserman, Firefighter
Daniel Watters, Firefighter
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Chase Whitaker, Firefighter
Chase Williams, Firefighter
Trevor Williamson, Firefighter
Colin Winter, Firefighter
Jarred Wolter, Firefighter
Jonathan Zoetewey, Firefighter