

Scotts Valley Fire Protection District	Policy: 300
Subject: Mission, Purpose and Values	DATED: MARCH 23, 1998

Policy 300: Mission, Purpose and Values

Mission

To protect lives, the environment and property.

Purpose

To prevent fires through:

- ?? Education of the hazards of, and behaviors that lead to, uncontrolled fires.
- ?? Fire protection planning of the community and buildings.
- ?? Development and enforcement of codes and ordinances related to fire safety.

To suppress fires through:

- ?? Rapid response, intervention and mitigation of all uncontrolled fires.
- ?? Providing an adequate number of high caliber personnel with exceptional fire suppression training.
- ?? Use of apparatus and equipment of the appropriate kind and type.

To provide rescue and emergency medical services:

- ?? With the highest level of service possible.
- ?? Providing high caliber personnel with exceptional EMS training.
- ?? With apparatus and equipment of the appropriate kind and type.

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To provide response to hazardous material releases.

- ?? Providing high caliber personnel with exceptional hazardous material training.
- ?? With apparatus and equipment of the appropriate kind and type.

To respond to disasters through:

- ?? Community education related to disaster preparedness.
- ?? Planning for any potential disaster.
- ?? Adequate training for personnel related to disaster planning and operations.

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To provide other emergency services to the community as required.

Values

- ?? Maintain a high level of readiness
- ?? Assure all personnel are adequately trained for their job
- ?? Treat everyone with respect and kindness
- ?? Treat people fairly and reasonably
- ?? Control costs providing the best service possible for each dollar
- ?? Provide the best service possible to anyone who needs it
- ?? Maintain a professional personal appearance
- ?? Maintain apparatus and equipment for a high degree of readiness
- ?? Maintain facilities to assure functionality and professional appearance
- ?? Support other agencies' mission(s)
- ?? Develop and maintain a high degree of cooperation with other agencies

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