

MERIDIAN FIRE DEPARTMENT



2019 Annual Report





FIRE CHIEF Mark Niemeyer

It is my pleasure to present to you the Meridian Fire Department annual report for 2019. The information contained in this annual report is a reflection of efforts from the outstanding men and women who proudly serve the Meridian Fire

Department and the community at large. Simply put, they are the best of the best. We are proud of the services we provide, and want to share with you how we performed last year by providing some vital statistics and major accomplishments within the City of Meridian and the Meridian Rural Fire Protection District. We humbly thank our Mayor and City Council, Fire District Commissioners, and you, the citizens of Meridian, for your unwavering support of all the employees of the Meridian Fire Department.

As the City that CARES, Meridian constantly strives to maintain its high levels of service and to ensure the best guality of life for all citizens. The Fire Department is a key component in the City's efforts to provide a safe community for its residents, visitors, and businesses. Our employees accept and embrace their roles as professionals and we continue to meet not only the day-to-day calls for service, but prepare for the challenges on the horizon we may be faced with. It is my distinct honor and privilege to lead a progressive, customer-driven, and outcome based fire department that constantly works hard to meet the fire and rescue needs of our community. I encourage you to contact us if you have any questions or if you have suggestions to improve our services to you. I also invite you to visit the Fire Department website (www.meridiancity.org/ fire) to find more information about your Meridian Fire Department.

In service,

Fire Chief Mark Niemeyer

Meridian Fire

- Total Incidents 7,754
- 91 Employees
- 6 Stations (6th opening Spring 2020)
- 1 Training Tower
- 1 Shared Training Facility (MPD joint facility)
- 1 Fire Education Center
- \$12.7M Budget (2020)



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FISCAL YEAR 2019 BUDGET



Key Operations

- Fire Suppression
- Emergency Medical Response BLS & ALS
- Emergency Rescue Response
- Fire Prevention
 - Fire Life & Safety Inspections
 - Plan Reviews
 - Fire Code Development
- Fire Investigations
- Fire Safety Public Education
 - Car Seat Checks & Installation assistance
 - Hands Only CPR Courses
 - Safety Presentations
 - Friendly Firefighter Visits
 - Smoke & CO Alarm Assistance
 - Public Safety Academy
 - Juvenile Fire Setter Program
 - Stop the Bleed Program
 - AED Program

MERIDIAN FIRE HISTORY

In early 1908, the City of Meridian formed their first Fire Department when a group of volunteers successfully tested a newly purchased Champion double cylinder chemical fire extinguisher. With LeRoy Adams as the first Fire Chief the department started out fairly small, serving only 600 residents at the time. Jacob Eames, a local blacksmith followed Chief Adams as the second Meridian Fire Chief and in approximately 1924 Amos Whiteley, another local blacksmith and skilled mechanic took the job.

As the City and Department continued to grow, Roger Welker took over the Fire Chief position in 1945. Chief Welker remained Chief until 1983, dedicating 38 years to our Department. In the early 1950's, during Welker's time as Chief, a partnership was formed with the Rural Fire Protection District to better serve and protect citizens in the City limits and the Rural area. This partnership proved to be very beneficial to the City and the Rural Fire District and continues today.

In late1983, Kenny Bowers became Meridian Fire's fifth Fire Chief. Kenny served in this capacity part-time until 1992 when he moved into the position full-time. Chief Anderson accepted the position of Fire Chief for the City of Meridian in April of 2005, retiring in April of 2010. The Department's Deputy Chief of EMS, Mark Niemeyer, was then promoted to Fire Chief.

Today the department runs on a \$12 million dollar budget. There are six fire stations, a training tower and a Fire Safety Center within the District. The Department employees a total of 91 employees. Meridian Fire currently responds to over 7,700 calls per year.



FROM OUR CITIZENS

"Due in large part to the quick response and superb professionalism of our first responders, I have made a full recovery! Thank you so much!"

"Thank you so much for helping our emergency to be not so stressful. You were all great! Thank you!"

"Thank you for being there when we needed you! Excellent in all respects!"

"I have lived in 3 states and I have never dealt with a Fire Department crew that was more helpful. They responded quickly and got the issue resolved and gave me info for the future. They all get 5 stars in my book!"

"These guys are awesome. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts! Heroes!"

"Your quick action saved my wife's life!"

"Our inspector is always kind and helpful. He has done my inspections for years and has always been a pleasure to work with."



"Thank you Meridian Fire Department for your time and service to the community."

"Very appreciative of your service to change smoke detector batteries for seniors. It is most helpful!"

"Thank you for the strong, professional team the Meridian Fire Department is! The community is truly blessed!"

"The people at the Meridian Fire Department are extremely nice, helpful and respectful!"

"Fantastic people committed to helping us stay safe. I am so glad we have such people. Thank you!"

"The firefighters are awesome in every sense of the word - professional, efficient and friendly. Gives us great confidence as they care for our well-being."

"Thank you for the strong, professional team the Meridian Fire Department is! The community is truly blessed!"

"At a time when our stress levels were very high, the Fire Department went out of their way to make the most of a bad experience. Everyone was very courteous and comforting. We appreciate that they put their lives on the line to save our home."

CONGRATULATIONS Awards, Promotions, Retirements

PROMOTIONS

Chief Officer Promotions

Division Chief of Logistics Justin Winkler Division Chief of EMS JD Hendrick Deputy Chief of Operations Charlie Butterfield

Captain Promotions

Garrett Hirsch Brock Clapp Dan Cole Derek Nelson

Engineer Promotions

Rustin Hood James Moriarty Michael Bayless Tyler Bryner Steve Hayes Dan Krenz Zach Mason Bill Schuler Brad Warner

AWARDS

2019 Employee Awards (recognized in 2020)

2019 Suppression Employee of the Year—Sean Stear 2019 Non-Suppression Employee of the Year—Joe Bongiorno Distinguished Service—Archie Frost, Kevin O'Donnell, Nick Piccono & Scott Warren

2018 Employee Awards (recognized in 2019)

2018 Firefighter of the Year—**Brad Warner** 2018 Fire Officer of the Year—**Blake Campbell** Distinguished Service—**Chris Verkerk** Chief's Award of Excellence—**Garrett Bjerke, Chase Christopher**

Unit Citation—Judy Gerhart, Christie Boucher, Emily Stroud, Dawn VanEpps



2019 RETIREMENTS



Rural District Commissioner **Terry Leighton** 17 Years of Service



Engineer Greg Wardein 15 Years of Service



Pam Orr—2018 ITD Champion of Child Passenger Safety Award



Joe Bongiorno, Above & Beyond Recognition for Life saving efforts at the scene of an accident

PREVENTION DIVISION, DEPUTY CHIEF JOE BONGIORNO

Meridian Fire's Prevention Division has been active this year with business growth, an increase in fires and many requests for assistance with smoke and carbon monoxide alarms. Our Division consists of the Fire Marshal, two Fire Inspectors and two Public Educators.

The Fire Prevention Division's focus is to prevent fires from occurring, minimize the impact of fires, and determine the cause and origin of those fires. Much of the work we do is dependent

on our connection with the public, residents and business owners alike. Our staff continually attends classes to keep us current with building and fire code changes. This ensures we are following national standards and best practices for inspections and fire investigations.

We continue to partner with the other fire departments in the valley and focus our efforts towards common language and application of the new and future code editions. Consistency in the valley helps all the business owners and developers as they bring their businesses and developments to Meridian.

Plan Reviews and Inspections

One component of preventing fires is conducting fire and life safety development review of potential new projects. Being actively involved in the pre-application process allows us to be pro-active in identifying access issues, water flow needs for firefighting, and potential life safety issues in the design of facilities. This in turn provides for a greater level of safety for the public and our firefighters.

In 2019, we completed 3,112 fire and life safety inspections. There were 1,580 violations noted and 1,403 violations cleared. With the adoption of The Compliance Engine (a third party company that helps us monitor and track occupancies that have fire alarms, sprinklers or cooking hoods with extinguishing systems) the top 5 violations were noted:

- Sprinkler system maintenance past due
- Exit signs: Burned out or not functioning
- Fire alarm system maintenance past due
- Fire extinguishers: Annual service not completed or the extinguisher(s) were missing
- Extension cord misuse: Using extension cords instead of surge protectors

All of these systems are required by code, to be tested and maintained on an annual or semiannual basis. In 2019, we had a total of 2,239 inspections entered into The Compliance Engine (TCE).

Fire Investigations

This year our fire investigation staff investigated over 42 fires in our fire district while also assisting other districts with their investigations as needed. If a determination to the cause of a fire can be made, we can better prevent these fires from happening in the future.

Prevention Highlights

The ISCRS, Idaho Standard Command Response for Schools was formed by the Treasure Valley School Safety Committee, which focuses on standardizing protocols for the initial protective actions a school should take during an emergency situation. Fire Deputy Chief Bongiorno along with Meridian Police Lieutenant Harper assisted in the development of the ISCRS, and presented it to school communities throughout Idaho in order to encourage schools to adopt this standard. This school safety initiative has been adopted by over 60% of the school districts here in Idaho. This has been a great endeavor and shows our commitment to collaborating with school districts throughout the state. Our end goal is to keep our children safe here in Idaho. All in all, we are striving to work together for the safety of all of our communities!





PUBLIC EDUCATION DIVISION, PUBLIC EDUCATION DIVISION MANAGER, PAM ORR

Our **Public Education Division** offers numerous community outreach programs designed to promote safe behavior through a variety of mediums. Public Safety Education "Prevention Through Education" offerings in 2019 included fire safety lectures, educative entertainment for children, fire department tours and open houses, fire safety demonstrations, senior education and blood pressure checks, car seat education and inspec-

"The most effective method of fire prevention is Public Education. It is a vital part of how we best serve the community."

tions to name a few.

1,617 SAFETY PRESENTATIONS TO OVER 64,631 PEOPLE



CPR- Meridian continues to make tremendous strides to be a heart safe community by increasing our offerings of CPR instruction in the community. We offer AHA CPR certification to our city employees, volunteers, and stake holders and AHA recognized Hands-Only CPR classes to the community.

CPR ~ 38 Classes – 2,555 people trained

Car Seats- The Meridian Fire Department serves the youngest members of our community by providing car seats, and car seat safety checks to ensure that children from birth to 8 years of age are safely and properly secured while riding in a vehicle. Meridian Fire received over 100 car seats through a grant from the Idaho Transportation Department (ITD). These seats are given to families who are financially unable to obtain proper seats for their children. The department hosted two classes for certification at our Public Safety Training Center, providing education and certification to 48 individuals from all over the State of Idaho.



CAR SEATS ~ 36 TECHNICIANS-286 SEAT CHECKS-45 SEATS PROVIDED

Community Birthday Parties!



In 2019, we celebrated Sparky's 68th birthday and Smokey Bear's 75th!

Sparky and his dogged determination have ultimately helped reduce fire loss and injuries throughout America and his "**spokesdog**" safety messages are just as important today as they were 68 years ago.

Our most loveable **Smokey Bear** turned 75 years old in August of 2019 and families enjoyed learning from the various safety education booths at his birthday party held at Kleiner Park.



Smoke Alarms- Project S.A.F.E. (Smoke Alarms for Everyone) continues to go strong. Smoke alarms are the best defense in staying alive, should you experience a home fire. Assistance is up 66% from 2018.

667 HOMES ASSISTED — 55 NEIGHBORHOOD SWEEPS 1,000 RESIDENTS ASSISTED — 569 BATTERIES CHANGED 761 ALARMS CHANGED OUT

Station Tours, Friendly Firefighters, Traveling Trunks

The Meridian Fire Department opened their doors for station tours for preschool aged children to senior citizens. We were happy to host these individuals and share our fire safety message with them. Preschool through first grade programs and visitors to our stations receive a **Friendly Firefighter** talk which teaches our younger children to not be afraid of firefighters in their gear.

Meridian Fire also offers the **Traveling Trunk program** to our local preschools. Eleven different preschools took advantage of these teaching aids in 2019. The trunks are dropped off prior to the firefighters visit. Everything in these trunks are firefighter themed, and includes: books, puzzles, toys, videos, and child sized clothing so the children can dress

like a firefighter. They prepare children for the firefighter's visit and hopefully reduce any fear the children may experience.

Firefighters and Public Education staff members visit elementary school and teach school age children important fire and life safety skills as well as all about the equipment firefighters use to help our community. We participated in Spring Fling for the Middle Schools where we taught students hands-only CPR and the High Schools received information on firefighting during career days.

TOURS ~ 86 GROUPS & 1,796 CITIZENS—97 FRIENDLY FIREFIGHTER VISITS

Fire Prevention Month - "Not every hero wears a cape. Plan and Practice your Escape"

During the month of October, we presented educational skits and Friendly Firefighter visits to pre-school and elementary schools. We focused on home escape plans and smoke alarms. We visited many day-cares and preschools and opened our doors to many visitors through station tours and our annual open house.



We once again partnered with Domino's Pizza for a week to get the fire safety message out in a very unique and tasty way! Customers who ordered pizza during the week were randomly selected to have their delivery arrive from our Engine 32 crew. Once the crew arrived, they explained our partnership and if the smoke alarms in the home were working, the pizza was free.







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Open House- Our Open House was held in October at Fire Station One with nearly 450 people in attendance. Local partners helped us teach families about smoke and carbon monoxide alarms, 911, CPR, child passenger seat safety, seat belt safety, home escape plans, Stop, Drop, and Roll, crime and fire prevention, drug abuse prevention, matches and lighter safety. We also held demonstrations of a cardiac arrest scenario, a vehicle extrication, a live fire extinguishment, and our ladder truck operations.

Older Adults- During our smoke alarm sweeps and our smoke alarm assistance calls we identify fire hazards, tripping hazards, or other safety concerns and educate the homeowners. We provide monthly blood pressure checks at the Meridian Senior Center. We engage this community with fall safety talks doing all that we can to help them identify potentially risky practices that could lead to a fall. Additionally, we provide education at our Over 55 community's home owner association meetings and to other older adult living facilities.

Meridian Public Education Success Stories!



Meridian Fire Department commends their Community Risk Reduction programs for three confirmed saves in 2019. The first was a cardiac arrest and one of the people who rendered aid to the victim had went through a CPR class and knew how to administer CPR and use an AED. The second save was an elementary student who took the fire prevention message seriously by convincing his mother to fix the

Fire Is Everyone's Fight -If it's Predictable, it's Preventable

homes nonoperational smoke alarms. Just a few short weeks later, the family experienced a home fire and the same young man heard the smoke alarms, and got his family out safely. The third save was also an elementary student. After attending a class on how to call 911 utilizing our training simulator, he helped save a friend that was experiencing a medical emergency. This shows that our community risk reduction efforts are not only needed but also actually save lives!



OPERATIONS Deputy Chief Charlie Butterfield



The **Operations Division** of the Meridian Fire Department is responsible for the delivery of day-to-day emergency and non-emergency services to the citizens we serve. These services are provided by fire department personnel responding from five, soon to be six, strategically located fire stations in the City of Meridian. The operations division is comprised of all emergency response personnel, the training division, logistics division and the emergency medical services (EMS) division. The complement of Meridian Fire Department fire apparatus include six front-line fire engines, one ladder truck, one command vehicle, one water tender, two wildland fire brush engines and three reserve fire engines.

Station Six

The Meridian Fire Department conducted a groundbreaking for fire station six in March, 2019. This Station is located at the intersection of Linder Road and Overland Road providing the City with a second fire station south of Interstate 84. This new fire station includes several design features and a layout that will reduce the exposure of carcinogens to firefighters. Additionally, the layout of the station provides for multiple paths of entry into the apparatus bay from the living quarters allowing for quicker response to the fire engine for emergency calls. Fire station six is expected



to open in Spring 2020. Engine 36, the fire engine that will be responding out of station six upon completion of the station, was fully staffed and placed in service in June of 2019. This engine company has been responding to calls for service out of station one since being placed in service.

Promotions

Throughout 2019, there were several promotions that occurred in the fire department. After multiple promotional exams throughout the year, a total of 15 members of the department promoted to the next rank. These promotions include nine firefighters that promoted to the rank of engineer and four engineers that promoted to the rank of captain. Furthermore, the logistics division and the emergency medical services (EMS) division each received a new division chief in 2019. Suppression Captain Justin Winkler was promoted to Division Chief of Logistics in February. Training Captain J.D. Hendrick was promoted to Division Chief of EMS in October.

2019 Responses

In 2019, the Meridian Fire Department responded to 7,754 calls for service. This constituted an 11 percent increase over the call volume in of 2018. Fifty nine percent of the calls were for emergency medical incidents including vehicle collisions. The remaining 41% of the calls comprised of calls to fires, fire alarms, services calls, gas leaks and other emergencies.



TRAINING Division Chief Kevin Fedrizzi





2019 proved to be a productive year that provided tremendous opportunities in the Fire Training Division. Under the

direction of the Fire Chief, we continue to foster cooperation between the Valley's fire training divisions to deliver cost effective training events. Through this process, we have facilitated several Multi-Company training events using shared training venues, equipment and resources. Training shoulder to shoulder with neighboring departments, our crews developed strong working relationships with our cooperative agencies. We also use this collaborative model for Emergency Medical Services.

Company Officer Development Program

The Company Officer Development Program was an intensive 4-month program designed to educate eligible employees aspiring to the rank Fire Captain. This program was designed similar as the International Association of Fire Chiefs National model. Students were introduced to a wide variety of Fire Service Leadership philosophies and challenges of the modern fire service. Students also completed course work in Fire Officer, Fire Service Instructor, and Incident Safety Officer Curriculums. Students also achieved the IC certification by completing the Blue Card Incident Command Program. At the successful completion of this course work, the students obtained the foundational knowledge towards a leadership role of the Company Officer and qualified to participate in promotional exam process.



Combined Driver/Operator Course

Building on the successes of past cooperation, the training division facilitated the Treasurer Valley Combined Driver/ Operator program. Students from Meridian, Nampa and Caldwell fire departments share resources and produce a superior development program. This program was a hybrid program combining on-line learning with efficient use of drill-ground training opportunities. Each department contributed instructors, equipment and resources to reduce the financial impact of running individual programs. The students enjoyed the new opportunities in the hybrid-learning environment as well as the chance to interact with personnel from neighboring departments.

Live Fire Training

Live Fire training is an invaluable venue to learn and teach firefighting skill sets in a real world setting. Thanks to the generosity of the local businesses who donated building materials, our firefighters experience real life fire behavior in a somewhat controlled environment. We were fortunate to have a chance to conduct this training twice this year.

Our spring live fire training simulated multi-story center hallway structure. The center hallway configuration is becoming prevalent all over the valley including Lodging Facilities, Office Buildings, and Care Facilities. The facilitated training concentrated on fire resource deployment, firefighter survival skills, coordinated initial fire attacks, hose deployment techniques, and incident command.

During the fall, the facilitated multi-agency training focused on below grade Basement Fires. These types of fire events present a higher risk event for firefighters. To reduce the risk of injury to firefighters, it is critical to identify the presence of a basement and change our tactics accordable to provide a successful outcome. Crews were presented with the most current Fire Behavior information from the UL/NIST research laboratories. The training event utilized the best practices in basement identification, hose deployment, crew deployment and incident command.

Training Division Staffing

Training Captain Johnston completed his tour of duty in the Training Division and returned to an Engine as a Company Officer. Captain Johnston contributed greatly to the



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development of the Training Captain position and we thank him for his efforts. Captain Lance Smith joined the Training Division as the next Training Captain and facilitated the Engineer Development Program, managed the probationary Firefighter program and facilitated several training drills. He also responded to several fire scenes as the Incident Safe-ty Officer. In addition, we extend a well-earned congratulation to Training Captain Hendrick on his promotion to EMS Division Chief in October 2019. With sincere appreciation we are grateful for everyone's contribution and support as we look forward to a busy and productive 2020.

Academy/ Recruit Training

In early 2019, the department hired seven recruit trainees to meet the staffing needs of Station 36, which will have its grand opening in March 2020. These recruits completed 280 hours of intense training in the Treasure Valley Joint Recruit Academy earning their Firefighter 1 certification. Currently, these recruits are working on Engine companies and working on completing their Firefighter 2 program. This group of new hires are performing well and are becoming valuable members of the Meridian Fire Department.

2019 Recruit Class

Meridian Fire Conrad Burnap Breanna Carden Jonathan Hoffman Jill Rausch Kory Simmons Nicholas Vernon Jordan Williams

Meridian Fire -7 Recruits Nampa Fire 2, Eagle Fire 1





TREASURE VALLEY FIRE COOPERATIVE 2019 RECRUIT ACADEMY



LOGISTICS Division Chief Justin Winkler



The Logistics Division is responsible for the management of all fire facilities and properties. These responsibilities include developing and maintaining site plans, preventative maintenance and sustainability programs for facilities, design and construction oversight for new facilities, and renovations and repairs.

Logistics completes and/or directs all apparatus and equipment testing, repairs, preventive maintenance and records management (including self-contained breathing apparatus, technical rescue tools, chain saws, ladders, air compressors, ventilation fans, nozzles, fire hose testing, pump testing, etc.). This division also develops equipment and apparatus specifications for purchasing.

2019 Significant events/accomplishments

Facilities

- Groundbreaking for Fire Station 6, with completion in Spring 2020
- All stations were upgraded with the installation of a new vehicle exhaust removal system
- Fire Station 4 received a new roof
- Equipment storage building was connected to the Apex security system
- The training tower received it's five year NFPA inspection

Equipment

- Replaced the stabilization struts on Truck-31
- Equipment for reserve Engine-37 was purchased
- Completed annual testing of 28,820 feet of fire hose
- Completed annual testing of 679 feet of ladders
- Completed annual testing of 50 SCBA and 80 personal SCBA regulators

Apparatus

- Equipped and placed new Engine-36 into service
- Replaced and put in service a new service vehicle Utility-321
- Reserve Engine-37 was equipped and placed back in service







EMS DIVISION Division Chief JD Hendrick



In 2019, the Fire Department responded to over 5,500 EMS calls. Our crews performed nearly 2,000 interventions that included 12 lead EKG's, drug administrations, advanced airway procedures, as well as other procedures. In our response to cardiac arrests, 8% of Witnessed Bystander Cardiac Arrest achieved a Return of Spontaneous Circulation (ROSC); 29% of unwitnessed Cardiac Arrest achieved ROSC, and 75% of Witnessed Cardiac Arrest by a 911 responder achieved ROSC.

After several years of planning, all of the Ada County Fire, EMS and Police agencies, along with the Ada County Office of Emergency Management, came to a consensus docu-

ment outlining the Unified Response to Violent Incidents. As part of the plan, all of the Fire and EMS agencies in Ada County through the Department of Homeland Security, obtained a grant to put ballistic vests and trauma gear on every seat of every frontline Fire and EMS apparatus in the county. Training has been ongoing and relationships are being built across all 3 public safety entities.



The Ada County City Emergency Services System (ACCESS) completed a system wide RFP to standardize Cardiac Monitors in the county. It was a thorough process, with 3

venders proposing. After an extensive process, a unanimous decision was made to purchase Zoll Medical and the Xseries cardiac monitors. As a result of this work, all first responders on all cardiac arrests will have the ability to monitor in real time their CPR quality. We feel that as we continue to strive to improve our cardiac arrest survivability, this feature will be critical in helping us achieve that goal. As a system our goal is a greater than 50% survival rate in patients suffering a cardiac arrest.

Lastly, in 2019, the Meridian Fire Department hired a Division Chief of EMS. This position was re-established from prior years to provide oversite in our growing EMS Division as calls for service increase. EMS accounts for between 65-70% of our overall call volume. Our EMS Division Chief will play a pivotal role moving forward not only ensuring a welltrained workforce is prepared and able to respond to these many calls for service, but to also help shape the future of our EMS program as new science and health care changes occur.



EMS Block Training

Training on a concept called Rescue Task Force. In this model Fire and EMS will integrate with Police into a warm zone of a hostile environment to provide care for victims who have been injured in such an event. The trauma care is provided under the security of law enforcement. Our crews were learning the concept of integration and communications with PD and dispatch.



2019 OPERATIONAL STATS









Total Apparatus Responses 2019

2019 STATS, CONT.









Incidents Per Year Comparison (15 yrs)





FACILITIES & APPARATUS

Station #1 & Training Tower

540 E. Franklin Rd.
Opened in 2000
11,700 sq. ft.
5-Story Training Tower constructed in 2007

Station #2 2401 N. Ten Mile Rd.—Opened in 2001 6,790 sq ft

Station #3 3545 N. Locust Grove—Opened in 2003 7,040 sq ft

Station #4 2515 S. Eagle Rd.—Opened in 2006 7,077 sq ft

Station #5 6001 N. Linder Rd.—Opened in 2008 7,360 sq ft

Station #6 1435 W. Overland Rd., Opening Spring 2020 10,500 sq ft

Fire Education Center 1901 E. Leighfield Dr.—Opened in 2005

Public Safety Training Center 1223 E. Watertower—Opened in 2015



APPARATUS

The Meridian Fire Department's apparatus fleet consists of:

- 1 Ladder Truck
- 6 Front Line Fire Engines
- 2 Reserve Engines
- 1 Training Engine
- 2 Brush Squads
- 1 Water Tender
- 3 Trailers (1 incident command & 2 utility/ equipment trailers)

In addition the fleet contains 15 administrative staff vehicles. The Local 4627 Benevolent Fund also owns a 1943 GMC Fire Parade Truck.









MERIDIAN FIRE DEPARTMENT

The MFD Mission

To protect and enhance our community through professionalism and compassion.

MFD Vision Statement

A premier organization recognized for providing a safe community through professionalism, innovative actions, and community involvement.

MFD Guiding Principles

Compassion– We will provide friendly and compassionate service to each other and the public we serve.

Professionalism – We will dedicate ourselves to be an educated workforce striving to meet the community's and our employees' changing needs.

Honesty – We will conduct ourselves in an honest manner and be transparent in our interactions.

Ownership – Ownership of our department will be expressed through tradition, loyalty, and dedication.

Trust – We will earn and maintain trust through integrity, our actions, and holding to commitments.

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