



PALM BEACH COUNTY FIRE RESCUE FY 2026 FACT SHEET

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Services Provided:

Fire Protection, Emergency Medical Services, ALS/BLS Transport, Hazardous Materials Mitigation, Special Operations, Aircraft Firefighting, 9-1-1 Dispatching, Emergency Management, Public Education, Inspections, Investigations, Plans Review, Community Assistance, and Mobile Integrated Health

Population Served:

976,900 (PBCFR Jurisdiction) + additional 371,573 dispatched

Area Covered:

1,769 square land miles served – this includes unincorporated Palm Beach County and 19 municipalities: Belle Glade, Cloud Lake, Glen Ridge, Haverhill, Jupiter, Juno Beach, Lake Clarke Shores, Lake Park, Lake Worth Beach, Lantana, Loxahatchee Groves, Manalapan, Pahokee, Palm Springs, Royal Palm Beach, South Bay, South Palm Beach, Wellington, and Westlake

Dispatch Services for 13 municipalities: Atlantis, Delray Beach, Greenacres, Gulf Stream, Highland Beach, Jupiter Inlet Colony, Mangonia Park, North Palm Beach, Palm Beach Gardens, Palm Beach Shores, Riviera Beach, Tequesta, and West Palm Beach

Budget:

\$847 million (FY 2026 includes all operating funds)

Millage Rate:

3.4581 mills

Number of Personnel:

1,982 Full Time Budgeted Positions (plus 27 SAFER Grant positions) and approximately 100 Volunteers

Number of Stations:

51 (+ additional 30 stations dispatched)

Daily Firefighter Strength:

352 minimum staffing (with Temp Station 11 = 355)

Number of In-Service Units:

40 ALS Engines (41 with Station 11), 4 ALS Squads, 55 ALS Rescues, 2 Special Operations Units, 6 ALS Aerials, 4 Tenders, 19 Brush Trucks, 1 Light/Air, 4 Personal Rescue Watercrafts, 4 ARFF Vehicles, 10 Battalion Chiefs, and 10 EMS Captains

Number of Calls FY 2024:

131,905 EMS Calls

(PBCFR Jurisdiction)

1,107 Structure Fire Calls

23,514 Other Calls

156,526 TOTAL

Number of Calls Dispatched:

233,455 (all agencies)

Average Response Time:

6 minutes 43 seconds

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