

Department of Fire & Emergency Medical Services, Rota

2025 CITIZEN CENTRIC REPORT

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The Department of Fire and Emergency Medical Services (DFEMS) in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI) is a state agency, organized primarily to provide efficient and effective firefighting, fire protection, fire investigation, emergency medical services, specialized rescue, handling of hazardous material, and wildland firefighting services to persons and property on the Island of Rota.

DFEMS Rota is spearheaded by Acting Resident Deputy Commissioner Manuel C. Atalig and is comprised of two divisions; Operations and Administration. Under the Operations Division, we have Emergency Services; Alpha, Bravo and Charlie shifts, HAZMAT, SARU and Forestry, Emergency Medical Services and Division of Fire Prevention and Arson Investigation. This division is designed to respond to all 911 calls needing Fire and Emergency Medical Services. Under the Administration Division we have the Administrative Section, Logistics & Supply, and Training & Development. Furthermore, this division is responsible to plan, coordinate and resource training to ensure all firefighters are certified and up to standards with the required training. Lastly, this division handles all administrative needs for the department, to include personnel, payroll, procurement and outreach programs.

MISSION STATEMENT

To save lives and property of the people of the Commonwealth-both visitors and residents alike- from fires, natural disasters, and hazardous material incidents by providing emergency medical services as well as preventing fires through mitigation and education programs.

PERSONNEL

DFEMS-23



Fire Suppression Response

Working Structure Fire	1
Automotive Fire	0
Wildland Fire	40
Hazardous Material	0
Rubbish Fire	2
TOTAL	43



Other Statistics Total Acreage Burned: 24



Emergency Medical Services Ambulance Response

Medical	62
Trauma	5
Non-Emergency Transport	40
Refusal	20
Calls Canceled	4
TOTAL	131



Our Finances

Fiscal Year 2025 Budget General Fund

Personnel	1,167,765
Operations	26,828

Expenditures

Personnel	1,167,765
Repairs & Maintenance	2,395.42
Supplies Operations	3,271.01
Communications	5,222.21

Fire Safety Code Revolving Fund Expenditures

Repairs & Maintenance	748.92
Communications	960.18
Fuel & Lubrication	4,000
Travel	1,911

Ambulance Revolving Fund Expenditures

Repair & Maintenance	2,336.95
Communications	3,278.84
Supplies Operations	148.64
Fuel & Lubrication	9,500
Travel	8,071



Moving Forward

- Fire Station 8 Bay to shelter equipment's to operate Operations in Sinapalo.
- Identify funding for the installation of a 40KVA generator for Station 8 in Sinapalo I.
- Retaining wall behind Fire Station 7 in Songsong Village.
- Identify funding source for new Ambulance.
- Phase 1 for better communications.
- Work with DFEMS Saipan, other agencies and contractor technicians on how to improve and upgrade communications.
- Identify and prioritize personnel training needs.
- Implement a validated physical agility test for all fire personnel.

