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## Souda Bay Completes Region Training Assist Visit

By: Nicholas Tenorio, U.S. Naval Support Activity Souda Bay  
Photos By: Mass Communication Specialist 1st Class Delaney S. Jensen

**M**military service members and personnel onboard Naval Support Activity (NSA) Souda Bay took part in a Region Training Assist Visit (RTAV), Sept. 18 – 22, 2023. During RTAV, the Navy Region Europe, Africa, Central (EURAFCENT) Region Training Team (RTT) worked with NSA Souda Bay's Installation Training Team (ITT) to present training scenarios that tested the effectiveness of the installation's Navy Security Force (NSF), Fire & Emergency Services, and Incident Management Team.

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## From the Director and Editor



Welcome to another special edition of *What's Happening*. October saw many installations celebrating Fire Prevention Week. Thank you all who submitted photos for the newsletter. Please continue to submit photos, summaries, and articles. Keep up the hard work and thank you.

*-MC1 Charlotte C. Oliver, Editor in Chief*

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## From the Director

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I was pleased to see Navy Fire Departments leading the engagement in the Fire Prevention Week campaign, **“Cooking Safety Starts with You!”** Our Departments are fully engaged with our installation and local community.

BZ to all our Fire Prevention Professionals and our Operations Staff who provided excellent support to installation public relations and training events. While we are on the topic of Fire Prevention, I wanted to mention two of our outstanding Fire Prevention Chiefs Jan Lazoya and Burke Ferrin are retiring from Federal Service. Burke and Jan have dedicated many years of service as advocates behind many enterprise level fire prevention enhancements. As the primary leaders their contributions were key to enhancements to bring our Navy Prevention programs to new heights. ***Fair Winds and Following Seas*** to Jan and Burke! Enjoy your well-deserved retirement.

**Navy F&ES is Hiring!** Almost all of our Regions and Installations have F&ES opportunities at various levels. The hiring managers are utilizing various tools to start and continue to hire until we are fully staffed, i.e., USAJOBS, Hiring Fairs, Hiring Flyers, Direct Hire, etc ... please pass along to anyone who may be interested in joining our team.



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Thanks to all our Navy F&ES Teams and members who serve, ***Protecting Those Who Defend America.***

Please stay safe.

*Carl*

### ***Do YOU know what tool this is and what it's used for?!***



Answer: This is a dearming tool and it is used to cut the hoses of an ejection seat to extricate a pilot from his/her downed aircraft.

# *Fair Winds and Following Seas*

From the Desk of: CNRSW Fire Prevention Chief Jan Lozoya

Hello everyone,

This week, October 8-14, kicks off National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) Fire Prevention Week Campaign “Cooking safety starts with YOU! Pay attention to fire prevention.” Fire & Emergency Services (F&ES) promotes the annual campaign throughout CNRSW! Please keep an eye out for a Fire Prevention Week event coming to a base near you throughout the month of October. We hope you can stop by and meet some of our F&ES members.

This Fire Prevention Week is the perfect time for me to depart CNRSW. Thursday, October 12th will be my last day, before I begin a new chapter in life.....retirement!! This will be the real kind of retirement where your work is whatever you feel like doing that day!! My hubby and I will have more time to travel around the USA and abroad, spend quality time with our three grandkids (13, 2, and a 2-month old), watch sunrises and chase sunsets with a few cocktails. Woo! Woo!

It all started in May 1988, entering into the Federal Service at the base where my dad finished his USN commitment. Now, 35 years later I’m retiring from where his USN career began in San Diego. I was hired into DoD as a GS-01 worker trainee, yes that was not a typo, at Pacific Missile Test Center, Point Mugu. In 1992 my fire career began as a Fire Inspector, eventually promoting to Prevention Chief and then selected as CNRSW Region Prevention Chief in 2007. Who would have known this small town girl, designated as the school Fire Marshal in the 5th grade, would actually become a Fire Marshal?!

We never know where the road of life will take us and this DoD journey has had its challenges, like careers most do. But, it has been very rewarding. The last 35 years of Federal Service has provided opportunities that I could have never imagined: leading a team of dedicated and hard charging Fire Prevention Chiefs and Inspectors, supporting our Federal Fire’s family first responders, co-published Department of the Navy’s F&ES first National Fire Code, recipient of a F&ES Lifetime Achievement Award and a picture taken with former president G.W. Bush and First Lady Laura Bush. I’ve traveled to almost every state for work, even as far as Bangor, Maine. But, nothing tops the many military and civilians I’ve met, worked for and alongside over the years. Many who became my mentors and friends. Regardless, of how or when our paths crossed it’s been truly an honor to have met you.

Thank you for the support, laughs, memories, lessons, and experiences. I wish you the best in wherever your own journey in life takes you.

*“Now, I’ve had the time of my life. No, I’ve never felt this like this before. Yes, I swear it’s the truth and I owe it all to you!!”*

Departing...

Jan Lozoya, FM  
CNRSW Fire Prevention Chief  
**“Fire Safety is Everyone’s Responsibility”**



# Taking Care of Our Own

From: CNIC HQ Fire & Emergency Services

The Taking Care of Our Own Program was launched in October 2005 to provide a support network for federal civilian members of the DoD Fire and Emergency Services family. The Program provides a simple, systematic, DoD-wide means to help family members in crisis who have exhausted their leave. The program entails alerting all members of the family that a fellow member is suffering from a personal or family (medical) crisis and has been approved for Volunteer Leave Transfer Program. Each family member is asked to donate at least one hour of annual leave to the member in crisis so they can focus on recovering rather than worrying about loss of the pay check (the result of running out of leave). Participation in the program is completely voluntary and no member may be pressured to donate. The single requirement is that the leave recipient must be approved for the Volunteer Leave Transfer Program.

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## “Souda Bay Completes RTAV” (*con’t. from page 1*)

“We are here to monitor and evaluate NSA Souda Bay’s ITT and their ability to train our watchstanders up to Commander, Navy Installation Commands (CNIC) requirements,” said Cmdr. Emmerich Langham, EURAFCENT regional security manager and member of the RTT from Naples. “We’re making sure that the installations are ready for certification when that time comes.”

RTAV is part of continuous three-year training cycle that ensures the installation’s ability to meet its mission essential tasks. RTAV provides training assistance to NSA Souda Bay’s ITT prior to formal assessment by EURAFCENT and CNIC.

(right) Emergency responders assigned to NSA Souda Bay, Fire & Emergency Services, and Sailors assigned to NSA Souda Bay, Greece, perform simulated medical procedures during a Region Training Assist Visit onboard NSA Souda Bay on Sept. 21, 2023. (U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 1st Class Delaney S. Jensen)



(above) Emergency responders assigned to NSA Souda Bay, Fire & Emergency Services, secure Air Traffic Controller 1st Class David Sudbeck, assigned to NSA Souda Bay, Greece, to a medical trolley during a Region Training Assist Visit onboard NSA Souda Bay on Sept. 21, 2023. (U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 1st Class Delaney S. Jensen)

“RTAV and other assessment cycles are so important, not just for our Navy Security Force, but also for assuring the mission readiness of our entire ITT,” said Cmdr. James Katora, executive officer, NSA Souda Bay. “RTAV gives us the opportunity to make sure that all of Team Souda is at the top of our game to ensure continuity of operations for the forward operating forces that rely on us.”

CNIC installations are required to have a qualified training team that can effectively assess and train individuals and watch teams to increase NSF proficiency in the performance of the force protection mission.

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## Souda Bay Completes RTAV (con't.)



*(left) Emergency responders assigned to NSA Souda Bay, Fire & Emergency Services, and Sailors assigned to NSA Souda Bay, Greece, perform simulated medical procedures during a Region Training Assist Visit onboard NSA Souda Bay on Sept. 21, 2023. (U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 1st Class Delaney S. Jensen)*

“We’re here to you help [NSA Souda Bay] through this process,” said Langham. “Our job is to make sure that they’re prepared. Our job is to make sure that they’re ready.”

NSA Souda Bay is an operational ashore installation which enables and supports U.S., Allied,

“As a watchstander, we’re important because we’re in charge of the overall security of the base,” said Master-at-Arms 2nd Class DeShon Bell, a member of NSA Souda Bay’s Navy Security Force and the assistant leading petty officer for training. “Through the day-to-day, you might not realize that you’re that valuable to the mission, but knowing that our security posture is what helps keep all of 6th Fleet running: It’s quite humbling. To be just a little piece of that is awesome.”

NSA Souda Bay is strategically located for power projection in the Eastern Mediterranean, supporting the Warfighter with access to an all-weather airfield, a deep-water pier facility and refueling and resupply services.

*(right) Master-at-Arms 1st Class Nicholas Gugliuzza and Operations Specialist 1st Class Johnny White, assigned to NSA Souda Bay, Greece, discuss training plans during a Region Training Assist Visit onboard NSA Souda Bay on Sept. 21, 2023. (U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 1st Class Delaney S. Jensen)*



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# A Message from the Desk of Rear Adm. Menoni

On Oct 1, 2023, Commander, Navy Installations Command (CNIC) celebrates 20 years of Sustaining the Fleet, Enabling the Fighter, and Supporting the Family.

CNIC may be young in comparison to other Navy commands, but we are equally committed and vital to the Navy's forward presence around the globe. Navy installations are older than CNIC with a long and proud history of supporting the Navy's mission.

On this anniversary milestone, CNIC is now recognized as a global Type Commander (TYCOM) with administrative control of all Navy installations and enduring locations by coordinating and overseeing Manpower, Training, and Equipping (MT&E) functions and standardized operations.

The Navy's 69 installations are

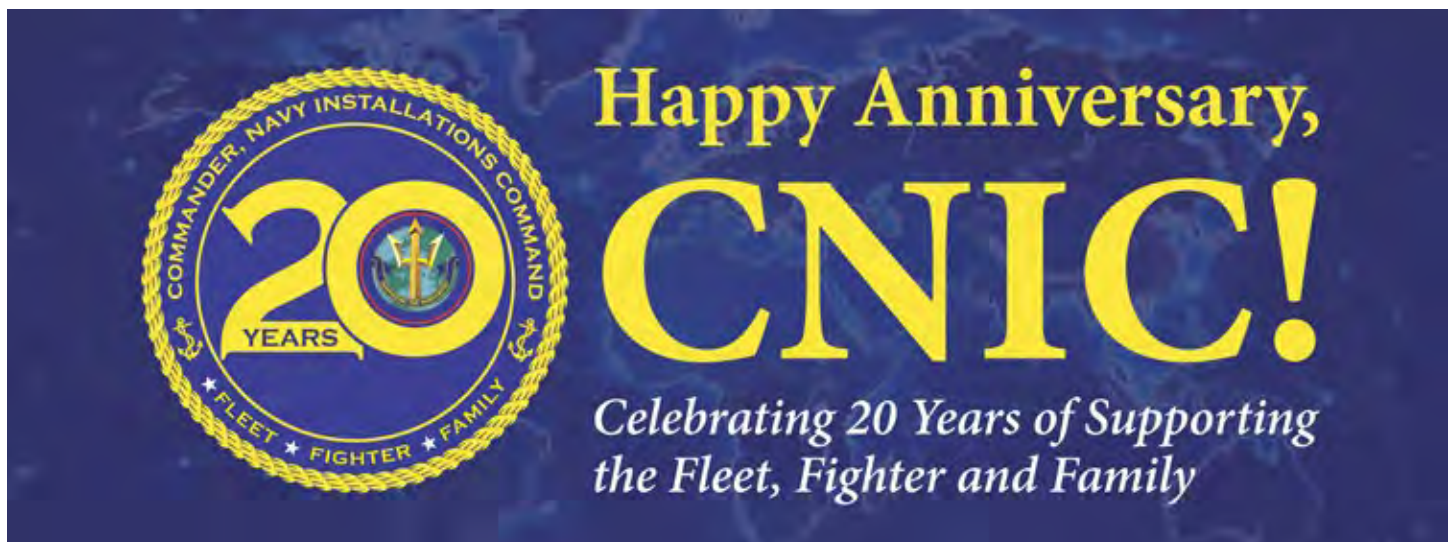
more operationally relevant and vital to the defense of the Nation than ever before. The Navy's capability of winning wars, deterring aggression, and maintaining freedom of the seas would not be possible without the Shore enterprise. Our installations are platforms that deliver a ready, competitive, and lethal force to combatant commanders with the confidence and resolve to win any future contest.

Supporting our Navy families is an important part of mission readiness. The Shore enterprise supports Sailors' Quality of Service by providing key programs that contribute to their Quality of Life. Through programs such as Navy Housing, Fleet Readiness, and Family Readiness, Navy installations provide resilience for Navy families whether their



Sailors are at home or deployed.

The over 44,000 military and civilian workforce are the backbone of CNIC. The skilled and talented personnel who make up Team CNIC are dedicated to serving the Navy and Nation.

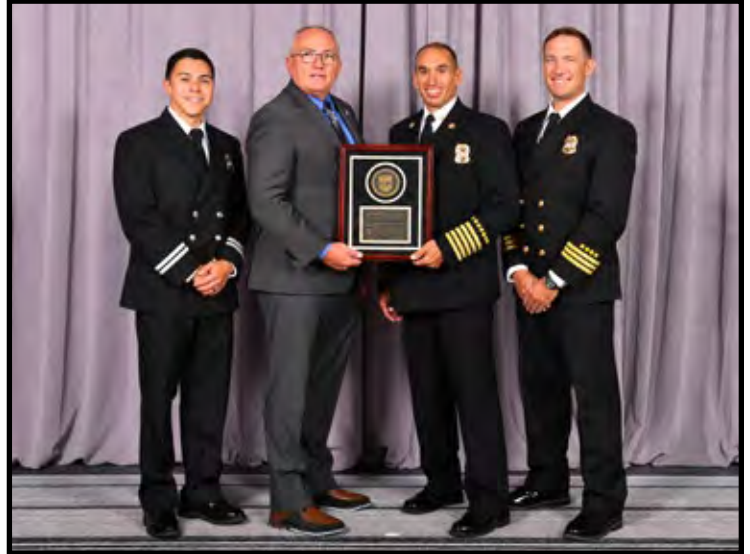


# Around the Firehouse

## NSA Souda Bay, Greece Renews CFAI Accreditation

Naval Support Activity Souda Bay's Fire & Emergency Services received a renewal of accredited status from the Commission on Fire Accreditation International, Aug. 29, 2023.

Achieving accreditation demonstrates a fire department's commitment to excellence and continuous improvement. It signifies that the department has met rigorous standards and has implemented effective policies and procedures to ensure the safety and well-being of both its personnel and the communities of the Navy they serve. Accreditation also provides a framework for fire departments to evaluate their performance and identify areas for improvement. By undergoing this process, departments can enhance professionalism, increase trust, and ultimately improve the quality of service they provide to their communities.



*(Photos courtesy of NSA Souda Bay F&ES)*



## NAS Whidbey Island F&ES Hosts CNIC NATOPS Validation



Naval Air Station Whidbey Island Fire & Emergency Services hosted CNIC headquarters personnel during a NATOPS visit and inspection.

*(Photos courtesy of CNRNW, NAS Whidbey Island F&ES)*



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## Around the Firehouse (con't.)

### CFAY Celebrates Fire Prevention Week



Commander, Fleet Activities Yokosuka, Japan kicked off Fire Prevention Week with a proclamation signing, Oct. 1, 2023.

The goal of Fire Prevention week to spread awareness of fire safety. CNRJ F&ES also

*(left) Capt. Les Sobol, Commander, Fleet Activities Yokosuka, and Robert Wimes, Fire Chief of the CNRJ Fire & Emergency Services, pose for a photo with Sparky, the CNRJ Fire & Emergency Services mascot, after signing the CFAY 2023 Fire Prevention Week Proclamation, Sept. 1, 2023. (U.S. Navy photo by Taylor Ardito)*

hosted a parade, but an open house to explain fire safety and how people can mitigate home fires.

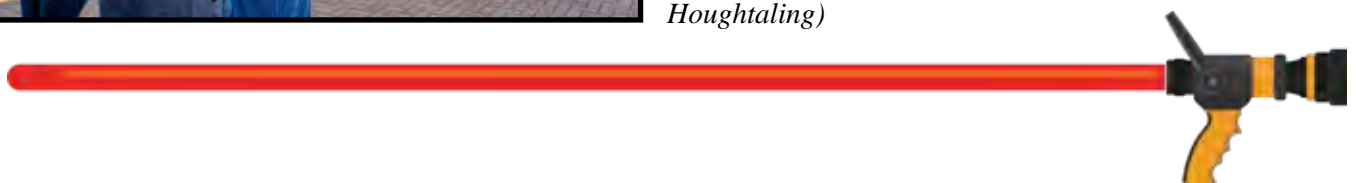
For more than 75 years, CFAY has provided, maintained, and operated base facilities and services

*(right) Sparky, CNRJ F&ES Yokosuka's mascot, and Cdr. Lida Cooper, CFAY chief staff officer wave to attendees during a Fire Prevention Week parade onboard CFAY. CNRJ F&ES hosted a parade and open house as part of Fire Prevention week to spread awareness of fire safety, Oct. 1, 2023 (U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 2nd Class Conner Houghtaling)*



in support of the U.S. 7th Fleet's forward-deployed naval forces, tenant commands, and thousands of military and civilian personnel and their families.

*(left) Attendees watch fire trucks pass by during a Fire Prevention Week parade onboard CFAY. CNRJ F&ES hosted a parade and open house as part of Fire Prevention week to spread awareness of fire safety, Oct. 1, 2023 (U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 2nd Class Conner Houghtaling)*



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## Around the Firehouse (con't.)

### CNRJ F&ES Conducts Water Rescue Training

Commander Navy Region Japan Fire & Emergency Services conducted water rescue training exercise onboard Commander, Fleet Activities Yokosuka, Sept. 25, 2023. Firefighters donned water survival suits to pull a simulated drowning victim from the waters of Green Bay.

Many service members, families and civilians visit Green Bay for water recreation, from swimming to kayaking and much more. This training is vital to keep the residents and visitors to the area safe. *Bravo Zulu Team!*



(left) CNRJ Fire & Emergency Services firefighters respond to a simulated drowning victim during a water rescue training exercise located in Green Bay onboard CFAY, Sept. 25, 2023. (U.S. Navy photo by Taylor Ardito)



(above) CNRJ Fire & Emergency Services firefighters rescue a simulated drowning victim during a water rescue training exercise located in Green Bay onboard CFAY, Sept. 25, 2023. (U.S. Navy photo by Taylor Ardito)



(above) CNRJ Fire & Emergency Services firefighters rescue a simulated drowning victim during a water rescue training exercise located in Green Bay onboard CFAY, Sept. 25, 2023. (U.S. Navy photo by Taylor Ardito)

(right) CNRJ Fire & Emergency Services firefighters pull a simulated drowning victim out of the water of Green Bay during a water rescue training exercise onboard CFAY, Sept. 25, 2023. (U.S. Navy photo by Taylor Ardito)



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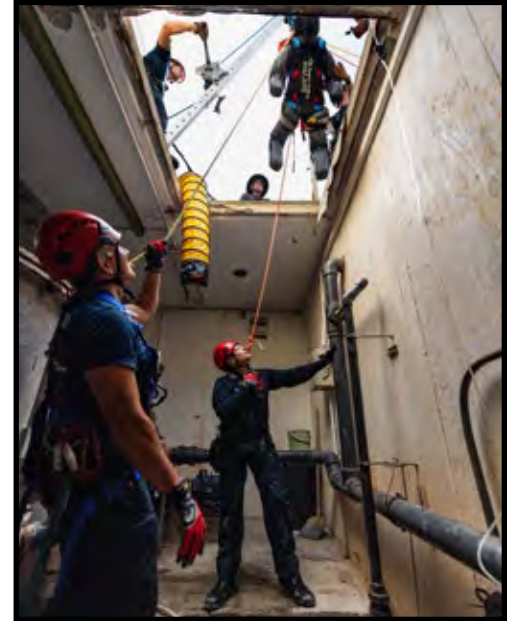
## Around the Firehouse (con't.)

### NSA Souda Bay Conducts Confined Space Rescue Exercise

Firefighters assigned to Naval Support Activity Souda Bay Fire & Emergency Services conducted a simulated confined space rescue as part of a Scope of Services assessment by Commander, Navy Region Europe, Africa, Central Fire & Emergency Services program, Sept. 19, 2023.



*(left and right) Firefighters assigned to NSA Souda Bay F&ES perform a simulated confined space rescue as part of a Scope of Services assessment by CNEAC Fire & Emergency Services program, Sept. 19, 2023. (U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 1st Class Delaney S. Jensen)*



*(right) Firefighters assigned to NSA Souda Bay F&ES hoist Crew Leader Nektarios Livanos out of a water pump room while performing a simulated confined space rescue as part of a Scope of Services assessment by CNEAC Fire & Emergency Services program, Sept. 19, 2023. (U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 1st Class Delaney S. Jensen)*



*(left) Firefighters from NSA Souda Bay F&ES and an assessment team from CNEAC Fire & Emergency Services pose for a group photo after performing a simulated confined space rescue as part of a Scope of Services assessment, Sept. 19, 2023. (U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 1st Class Delaney S. Jensen)*



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# Around the Firehouse (con't.)

## Practice Makes Perfect: Trident Refit Facility, Bangor and USS Maine Keep Skills Sharp With Firefighting Drills

Trident Refit Facility, Bangor and the Ohio-class ballistic missile submarine USS Maine (SSBN 741) Sailors participated in a firefighting drill alongside Commander, Navy Region Northwest Fire & Emergency Services, Sept. 19, 2023.

The drill was conducted to practice integration with ship's force and civilian services. TRFB Supports the nation's strategic deterrence mission by repairing, incrementally overhauling, and modernizing Pacific Fleet strategic ballistic missile submarines during refits.

*(Photos) TRF Bangor and USS Maine Sailors participate in a firefighting drill alongside CNRNW F&ES. The drill was conducted to practice integration with ship's force and civilian services, Sept. 19, 2023. (U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 2nd Class Sarah Christoph)*



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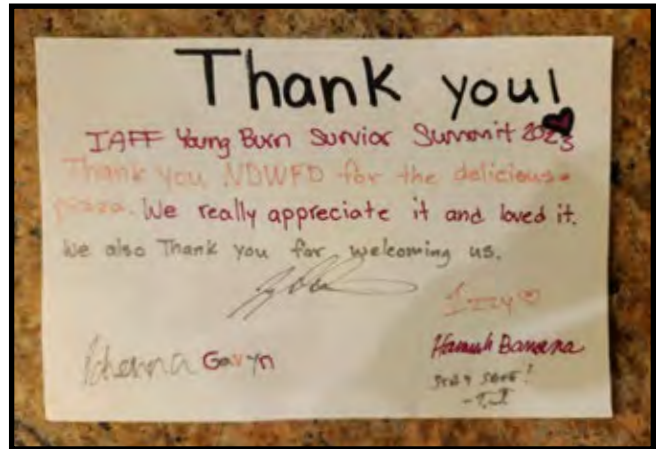
### NAS Oceana Fire District 3 Provides Mutual Aid Support for Air Show

Naval Air Station Oceana's Fire District 3 led a massive coordination of mutual aid support for the Navy's largest open house in North America at the Naval Air Station Oceana Air Show, Sept. 16 - 17, 2023, with crowds topping 300,000 visitors. Bravo Zulu Team! *(Photos courtesy of NAS Oceana F&ES)*



### NDW F&ES and Local F-121 Host IAFF Burn Camp

Naval District Washington Fire & Emergency Services and International Association of Firefighters (IAFF) Local F-121 hosted the IAFF Burn Camp at Naval Support Activity Annapolis, Sept. 26, 2023. The campers and staff were escorted on tours of the historic U.S. Naval Academy and were to see what the Midshipman lifestyle is all about. After watching the noon meal formation, Local F-121 hosted the campers and staff at Dahlgren Hall where members served lunch and got to spend some time talking to the campers. *(Photos provided by Local F-121.)*



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## Around the Firehouse (con't.)

### Golfing For a Cause:

### NDW Fire Chiefs Raise Money for Nat'l. Fallen Firefighters Foundation

Four Navy District Washington F&ES Fire Chiefs participated in the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation Golf Tournament held at the Wicomico Shores Country Club in St. Mary's County, Maryland, Oct. 4, 2023.



Money raised from this and other events are used to fund programs that focus on family and department recovery resources after a line of duty death occurs. The Chiefs played in honor of



NDW Firefighter Brice Trossbach who died in the line of duty on June 27, 2023. (Photos courtesy of NDW F&ES.)



### NSA South Potomic Personnel Receive Life Saving Awards

Personnel from Naval Support Activity South Potomac received CNIC Life Saving & Significant Achievement Awards for two separate incidents, Oct. 3, 2023.

These life saving measures, conducted by NDW F&ES personnel, resulted in a positive outcome for the patient. Capt. Wilson, commanding officer NSA South Potomac, and Region Fire Chief Kevin Grinder presented the Awards. Bravo Zulu Team! (Photos courtesy of NSA South Potomic F&ES.)



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# Around the Firehouse (con't.)

## PAX River Fire Prevention Week



Many thanks to all who made the Pax River Fire Prevention Week Kickoff a success! MWR sponsored the event and Fleet and Family Services was in attendance to provide info and activities. The Pax River team intend to bring back this annual event each year. The NFPA's 'National Fire Prevention Week' is held annually in the first full week of October.

(Photos courtesy of NAS Pax River F&ES.)



## NSA Bahrain Musters Up For Fire Prevention Week

Navy Support Activity Bahrain celebrated Fire Prevention Week with the annual Fire Muster Challenge! (Photos provided by NSA Bahrain F&ES.)



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## Around the Firehouse (con't.)

### NAS Jacksonville Kicks Off Fire Prevention Week With Proclamation

As fire is a serious public safety concern both locally and nationally, Naval Air Station Jacksonville Commanding Officer Capt. Marcus Cantu signed a proclamation declaring Oct. 8-14 as the base's Fire Prevention Week. (Photos courtesy of NAS Jacksonville F&ES.)



### NAS Jacksonville Teach Public Safety During Fire Prevention Week



Members of the First Coast Navy Fire & Emergency Services and Sparky the Fire Dog held a demonstration for Fire Prevention Week. As fire is a serious public safety concern both locally and nationally, NAS Jacksonville is committed to ensuring the safety and security of all those living in and visiting our installation. (Photos courtesy of NAS Jacksonville F&ES.)



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# Around the Firehouse (con't.)

## NAS Corpus Christi Sign Fire Prevention Week Proclamation



Navy Air Station Corpus Christi Commanding Officer Capt. Ty Jurica and Fire & Emergency Services Fire Chief Jeffrey Hawkins signed the 2023 Fire Prevention Week Proclamation during a ceremony recently held at Fire Station #1.



This year's Fire Prevention Week campaign, "Cooking safety starts with YOU. Pay attention to fire prevention," works to educate everyone about simple but important actions they can take to keep themselves and those around them safe when cooking.



In a fire, mere seconds can mean the difference between a safe escape and a tragedy. Fire safety education isn't just for school children. Teenagers, adults, and the elderly are also at risk in fires, making it important for every member of the community to take some time every October during Fire Prevention Week

to make sure they understand how to stay safe in case of a fire. For more information, visit <https://www.nfpa.org/fpw>. (Photos courtesy of NAS Corpus Christi F&ES.)



## Metro San Diego Kick Off Fire Prevention Week



Recently Capt. Newt McKissick, signed a proclamation for Fire Prevention Weeks. This year's theme is Cooking Safety. Be sure to pay attention when cooking. It only takes a moment for a fire to catch hold and spread. Fire prevention starts with you. (Photos courtesy of Metro San Diego F&ES.)



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## Around the Firehouse (con't.)

### Metro San Diego Visits Local School During Fire Prevention Week

Commander, Navy Region Southwest Region Deputy Fire Chief Robe Whittemore, visited San Diego's Silvergate Elementary School first graders to talk about fire safety during the annual Fire Prevention Week. (Photos courtesy of CNRSW F&ES.)



### NAS Oceana Kick Off Fire Prevention Week



Naval Air Station Oceana celebrated Day 1 of #FirePreventionWeek! Navy Region Mid-Atlantic Fire & Emergency Services District 3 asked us to share the top 5 things YOU can do to prevent cooking fires and related burns. (Photos courtesy of NAS Oceana F&ES.)



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# Around the Firehouse (con't.)

## Joint Region Marianas Holds Multiple Island-Wide Events During Fire Prevention Week



Every year Fire Prevention Week is heralded a success with island-wide fire agencies supporting each installation and the entire Guam community. With school visits, static displays, and radio interviews in full swing.

A large closing event at one of the local malls yields an interactive and highly participative crowd with local, military and tourist from Asian countries taking the time to get educated with fire safety practices.

*(Photos courtesy of JRM F&ES.)*



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## Around the Firehouse (con't.)

### Sparky the Fire Dog and Fed Fire San Diego Visit NB Point Loma

Naval Base Point Loma leadership was visited by Sparky the Fire Dog and the Federal Fire Department San Diego operations and fire prevention team. This year's theme is Cooking safety starts with YOU. Pay attention to fire prevention. The commanding officer and fire chief signed a proclamation reinforcing their commitment to fire prevention. Look for the prevention team the week of October 9-13 at your San Diego area naval installation and learn more about cooking safety.

*(Photos courtesy of Fed Fire San Diego.)*



### Chinhae F&ES Conducts Joint Training With ROK Navy Firefighters



Commander, Fleet Activity Chinhae held periodic training with their ROK Navy counterparts, Oct. 18, 2023.

CFAC F&ES has a mutual aid agreement with the ROK Navy and surrounding areas in the city of Chinhae. This joint training helps both teams strengthen their bonds and better prepare themselves for an actual casualty.

*(Photo courtesy of CFAC F&ES.)*



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## Around the Firehouse (con't.)

### Commander, Fleet Activity Chinhae Celebrates Fire Prevention Week



Commander, Fleet Activity Chinhae celebrated Fire Prevention Week, opening with the signing of the proclamation by Cmdr. Preston "Rack" Rackaukas, CFAC commanding officer.

Attendees were able to tour the firehouse and learn about the different fire apparatuses used by CFAC Fire & Emergency Services.

*(Photos courtesy of CFAC F&ES.)*

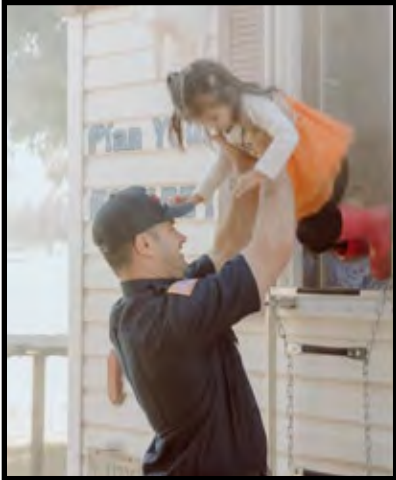


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# Around the Firehouse (con't.)

## NAS Lemoore Highlights Fire Safety and Skills During Fire Prevention Week

Fire Prevention Week is an annual event held to spread the importance of fire safety. This year's theme involves kitchen fire safety. At Naval Air Station Lemoore, Fire & Emergency Services held an open house, fun run, and displayed their skills using the mobile air firefighting training device (MAFTD) and firefighters also took time to read to children. *(Photos courtesy of NAS Lemoore F&ES.)*



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## Around the Firehouse (con't.)

### Navy Base Ventura County Fire Prevention Week Highlights

Fire Prevention across CNRSW, this year's theme, "Cooking Safety Starts with YOU. Pay attention to fire prevention."

At the end of the day, Fire Prevention is a team effort that requires the entire team to participate to be successful from the fire fighters whom respond to the fire emergencies to the community members that live within the service areas, we all need to be vigilant, be educated, be ready to prevent and defend ourselves and those around us.

*(Photos courtesy of NAS Lemoore F&ES.)*



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# Back in the Day:

## U.S. Navy Mack Fire Apparatus

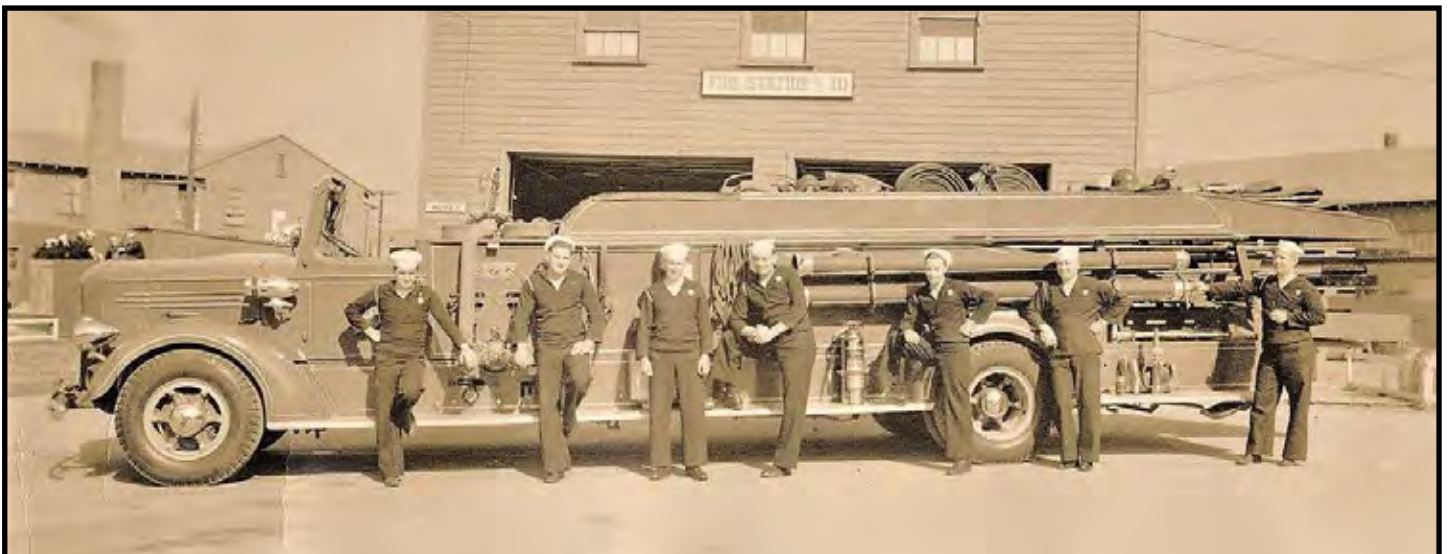
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**M**ack Trucks is one of the world's oldest manufacturers of heavy-duty trucks that began in 1905 as a company building wagons in Brooklyn, New York. While the early models of Mack built trucks gained acceptance when the AC model was introduced in 1916 this design immediately became known as the "Bulldog" with over forty thousand trucks of all types being produced by Mack in this configuration. Thirteen different models of fire apparatus using the AC model chassis were developed including chemical wagons, hose cars, pumpers and tractor drawn ladders that served fire departments across the United States.

The AC Bulldog model was distinguished by the sloping front hood which protected the four-cylinder engine rated at 74 horse power with a three-speed transmission and the rear chain drive. Rotary gear fire pumps rated at 500 gpm were most common with little protection for the crew as the vehicles did not have any windshields with an open bench seat for the driver and officer.

During World War II Mack Trucks produced over thirty-two thousand trucks to support the war effort for both the United States and the Allies. While the majority of these vehicles were model NM 6X6, six ton cargo trucks a number of structural and specialized ARFF units were produced for all branches of the military. The U.S. Navy received several L model pumpers and quads during this period to protect various installations.



(above) Newport Rhode Island 1942 Mack 95LS 1017 (photo from the collection of Ted Heinbuch)

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## Back in the Day (con't.):

With the outbreak of World War II Mack moved its fire apparatus production from Allentown, Pennsylvania to Long Island City in New York. After the conclusion of the war the demand for fire apparatus skyrocketed as many communities had not received any new vehicles for several years.

Mack L model fire apparatus were produced between 1940 and 1954 with approximately 1,453 rigs built. By far the most popular were the Type 85 and 95 models which boasted the Mack engineered and built Thermodyne engine rated at 225 horsepower with a five-speed manual transmission and dual ignition. Anyone who ever drove one of these Mack fire trucks can recall the distinctive roar of the Mack engine and given the proper training and some luck could easily shift the transmission without having to use the clutch. Despite competition from American LaFrance with their cab ahead 700 series apparatus Mack Fire Trucks dominated the market for many years due to the rugged design and construction of their vehicles.



*(above) Newport Rhode Island 1942 Mack 95LS 1017 (photo from the collection of Ted Heinbuch)*

During 1942 the Newport Naval Station in Rhode Island took delivery of a model LS-95 quad apparatus equipped with a 1000 gpm Hale pump and 200 gallon water tank. The apparatus was very austere in appearance with no chrome or bright work and carried over 220 feet of wooden, truss style ground ladders. Pump panel instrumentation included a compound gauge, master discharge gauge, tachometer and pump governor controls. Simplistic when compared to today's rigs, the pump was engaged from the left side pump panel.

This apparatus carried Mack serial number 95LS-1017 and served the installation for many years. There wasn't much to go wrong with these units and with a dedicated pump operator these L model Mack's would run and pump for days.

Many municipalities including Baltimore, Boston, Chicago and New York were heavy users of Mack fire apparatus with the FDNY fleet at one time having 67 L model hose wagons and pumpers in service. Many of these units served well into the 1980's and were rebuilt several times to extend their service life.

While today's modern apparatus are equipped with safety and technological features that would not have even been dreamed of back in this era these rigs resulted in the frequently heard slogan "Built like a Mack Truck" which certainly fits the rugged characteristics of these vehicles. 🔥

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# DoD Safe Helpline: How it Works

All Safe Helpline services are: anonymous, confidential, and tailored to support members of the DoD community and their loved ones affected by sexual assault.



You will always be connected to a live, specially trained professional.

“ One of the most profound gifts we can give survivors who come to Safe Helpline is simply listening to them. No one should have to go through healing from a sexual assault alone. ”

—Sami, Safe Helpline staff member for over three years

“ Compassion and support are at the heart of DoD Safe Helpline staff. It is what they provide to each visitor, and why we enjoy being a part of Safe Helpline. ”

—Sydney, Safe Helpline staff member for over ten years

“ When a survivor is connected with one of our staffers, they should know that this is a safe place, free from judgment or shame. We can help survivors find the support they need and deserve. ”

—Jason, Safe Helpline staff member for over three years

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A psychological health condition or seeking professional help will not automatically disqualify you for a security clearance.

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Reach out to your nearest medical provider or the Military Crisis Line at **1-800-273-TALK**



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- Creating a Strategic Plan - A webinar explaining the creation of a community-driven strategic plan.
- Developing Strategic Plan Goals and Objectives - A webinar explaining how to develop effective goals and objectives for a strategic plan.
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- [Fire Department Strategic Plans and Community Master Plans: Are They The Same?](#) - A handout comparing and contrasting fire department strategic plans and community master plans.
- [Performance Statements](#) - A handout outlining how to develop performance statements.
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# Joint Region Marianas Fire & Emergency Services Complete Largest Fire Academies: Equipping More Firefighters to Combat Emergencies in the Region

Story and Photos By: Assistant Fire Chief DeRon Branch, Fire Training Division  
Joint Region Marianas Fire & Emergency Services

**J**oint Region Marianas Fire & Emergency Services held a momentous graduation ceremony for the Class 2023-02 and 2023-03 on September 8, 2023.

The highlight of the ceremony was the awarding of certificates of completion and special awards to the outstanding graduates.



(above) Col. Rafael A. Vargasfontanez addresses firefighter academy graduates during a ceremony at Joint Region Marianas, Guam, Sept. 8, 2023. (U.S. Navy photo courtesy of JRM F&ES)

This ceremony marked the end of months of rigorous training for the new fire recruits, who will now join the fire service and serve the JRM community. The ceremony was graced by Col. Rafael A. Vargasfontanez, J3, and Deputy J3, Frank M. Balajadia, both of whom gave their heartfelt congratulations to the graduates.

During their speeches, they praised the graduates for their hard work, dedication and selflessness during the demanding training, and wished them success with their new careers.

(right) Firefighter academy graduates pose for a photo following a graduation ceremony at Joint Region Marianas, Guam, Sept. 8, 2023. (U.S. Navy photo courtesy of JRM F&ES)



Holden Troy Barcinas from Class 2023-02 and Javis Duenas from Class 2023-03 received the Leadership Awards in recognition of their outstanding leadership skills and dedication to service. Meanwhile, Antonio Borja and Wade Williams were awarded the Most Improved Awards from Class 2023-02 and Class 2023-03 respectively, for their remarkable progress and effort throughout the training. Their dedication to improving their skills and abilities was a testament to their strong work ethic and desire to succeed.

Regional Fire Chief Chris Connelly shared his experience and wisdom to the graduates and audience. His words of encouragement and advice were much appreciated by everyone in attendance. The ceremony also

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## JRM F&ES (con't.)



(above) Regional Fire Chief Chris Connelly addresses firefighter academy graduates during a ceremony at Joint Region Marianas, Guam, Sept. 8, 2023. (U.S. Navy photo courtesy of JRM F&ES)

recognized Acting Training Captain Edward “Sonny” Quichocho, who played a critical role in the success of the training program.

His dedication and commitment to the training of new recruits were invaluable, and his contributions will have a lasting impact on the graduates’ careers. The graduation was a resounding success, and everyone in attendance, including the graduates, their families, and the leadership, expressed their pride and admiration for the new fire recruits. 🔥

The Joint Region Marianas Fire and Emergency Services is confident Class 2023-02 and 2023-03 will continue the legacy of exceptional service and leadership that has been established by their predecessors.

### JRM FES ACADEMY CLASS 2023-02 & 03 GRADUATES:

- Anthony C. Aguon, Jr.
- Holden Troy C. Barcinas
- Antonio P. Borja
- Anthony J. Damian Jr.
- Jarvis W. Duenas
- Raymond R. Duenas, Jr.
- Eric P. Lizama
- Earl J. Lorenzo
- Cassidy C. Lyken
- Kerman Melsior Jr.
- Robby M. Movida
- David Alan Q. Quintanilla
- Shane Roberto
- Wade P. Williams



(above) Firefighter academy graduates take the oath of service during a ceremony at Joint Region Marianas, Guam, Sept. 8, 2023. (U.S. Navy photo courtesy of JRM F&ES)

# Navy Reserves Fire & Emergency Services Welcomes Newly Promoted Chiefs

Story By: Master Chief Aviation Boatswain's Mate Antonio Gaudron, San Diego Fire & Emergency Services  
Photos: Courtesy of Families and Chiefs

Navy Reserves Commander Navy Installations Command Fire & Emergency Services (NR CNIC F&ES) has the distinct pleasure in announcing four newly accepted Chief Petty Officers.



Navy Chiefs are considered the technical experts within their fields and are trained to fill any environment. Serving as a conduit between Officers and junior Sailors, Chiefs are often referred to as the Backbone of the Navy. To ensure Navy Chiefs are prepared to fulfill this role, they undergo a training process, known to many as Chief Initiation.



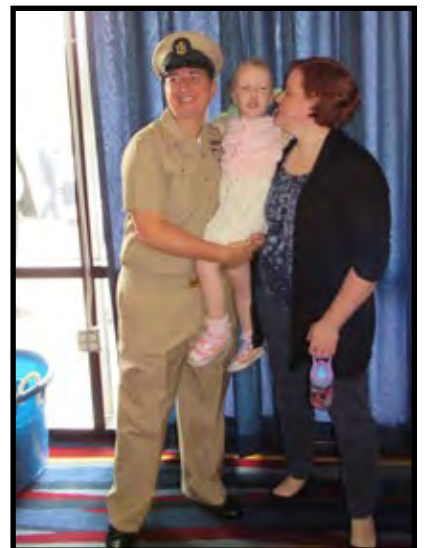
These newly selected Chiefs underwent six weeks of rigorous training to prepare them for this moment in their career. They will go on to train, mentor, and lead Sailors across six detachments. Qualifying and certifying Sailors is an intricate process, but essential to self-sustainability, an important program goal.



Their efforts will ensure the future development of the program. They are the only enlisted rank within the Navy authorized to don the Khaki uniform.

NR CNIC F&ES provides the Navy with quality firefighters that back-fill critical positions across the globe to support continuous fire protection.

With great satisfaction, NR CNIC F&ES presents the following Chief Petty Officers: Chief Aviation Boatswain's Mate (Handling) Jose Ramierez, Chief Aviation Boatswain's Mate (Handling) Brittany Faircloth, Chief Aviation Boatswain's Mate (Fuels) Ryan Eck, and Chief Yeoman Andrew Bock. 🧯



***BZ TO ALL OUR NEWEST CHIEFS! NAVY CHIEF, NAVY PRIDE!***

# UPCOMING ASSESSMENTS

Region area installations should be aware of the Fire & Emergency Services assessment schedules for their locations so they can be prepared. To prepare, installations should conduct self assessments; regions should conduct CART or other region evaluations; all before the CNIC validation team arrives. For more information, contact Eric Rhode:

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## OVERSIGHT PROCESS:

ASSESSMENT → EVALUATION → VALIDATION

REGION	INSTALLATION	ASSESSMENT TYPE	SCHEDULED DATES
CNRSW	San Diego Area	NAV IG	October 16 - Nov. 3
N/A	AUTEC	HQ Assist	October 29 - Nov. 4
CNRJ	CFA Sasebo	FEP	October 30 - Nov. 3
CNRJ	CFA Atsugi	NATOPS	November 1 - 3
CNRNW	NAVSTA Everett	FEP	November 12 - 18
CNRSE	SUBASE Kings Bay	FEP	November 12 - 18
CNRJ	CFA Sasebo - SRF JRMC	MAJOR FIRE DRILL	November 12 - 18
CNRSE	NAS Jacksonville	NATOPS	November 28 - 30
CNRSW	NAF El Centro	FEP	November 27 - Dec 1
CNRH	JB Pearl Harbor Hickam - HRMC	MAJOR FIRE DRILL	(Tentative) December 3 - 8
CNRSE	NAS Kingsville	FEP	December 3 - 9
CNRSE	NAS Corpus Christi	FEP	December 10 - 16
CNRSE	FDRMC - Bahrain	MAJOR FIRE DRILL	(Tentative) December 10 - 16



Note: Please stay in touch with Eric, as dates are subject to change.



# Life Saving Awards



In calendar year 2022, 145 CNIC Fire and Emergency Services responders were awarded individual Life Saving Award certificates. A team effort that saved the lives of 31 individuals.

So far in CY 2023, 157 individual Life Saving Award certificates have been awarded and 32 lives have been saved.

Below are the awardees for the month of October, 2023. Bravo Zulu to all. Keep charging!

PROVIDER	REGION/LOCATION	AWARD#	INCIDENT TYPE
Battalion Chief Bruce Wold	CNRNW – Kitsap Bangor	1	Cardiac Arrest
Battalion Chief Troy Whitmore	CNRNW – Kitsap Bangor	1	Cardiac Arrest
FF/EMT Victor Pinkoski	CNRNW – Kitsap Bangor	1	Cardiac Arrest
FF/EMT Andrew love	CNRNW – Kitsap Bangor	1	Cardiac Arrest
Driver/Operator Edwin Alba	CNRNW – Kitsap Bangor	1	Cardiac Arrest
FF/EMT Michael Holmes	CNRMA – Naval Weapons Station Earle	1	Respiratory Distress

## *From the Desk of Gary Easley:*

**Attention** The 2023 Navy Fire & Emergency Services Annual Awards nomination deadline will be here before you know it, please continue to work on the award packages for your firefighters, EMTs, paramedics, chiefs, and fire stations. Also, please take the time to consider your nominations for the next class of Hall of Fame inductees and Lifetime Achievement Award candidates. Award packages are due ***no later than*** Feb. 1, 2024. Please contact Gary Easley if you have any questions.

You may contact Gary by email: [gary.m.easley.civ@us.navy.mil](mailto:gary.m.easley.civ@us.navy.mil) or by phone: (202) 433-6527.



# Life Saving Awards





# ESAMS Corner Update

By Angela Jordain, ESAMS Fire Technical Support

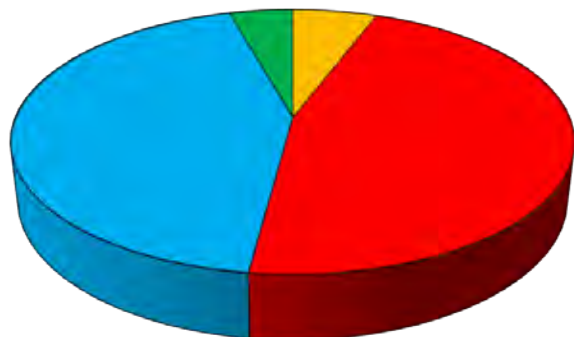
## CY 2023 Statistics (01 Jan – 30 September)

### Operations



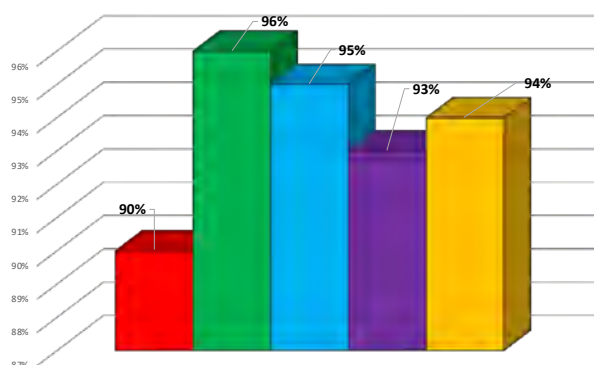
Rescue & EMS	17,213
Hazardous	7,193
False Alarm	10,443
Service Calls	2,848
Good Intent	3,914
Fires	1,083
<b>Total Incidents</b>	<b>42,694</b>

### Prevention



Fire Public Ed Classes	2,737
Hot Work Permits	22,020
Inspections	20,708
Building Evacuation Drills	2,067
<b>Total</b>	<b>47,532</b>

### Training



EMS	95%
Proficiency	90%
Emergency Management	96%
Safety	93%
DoD Certification	94%

### F&ES on Duty Mishaps Report CY 23

Mishaps Reported: 27

Total Lost Work Days: 7



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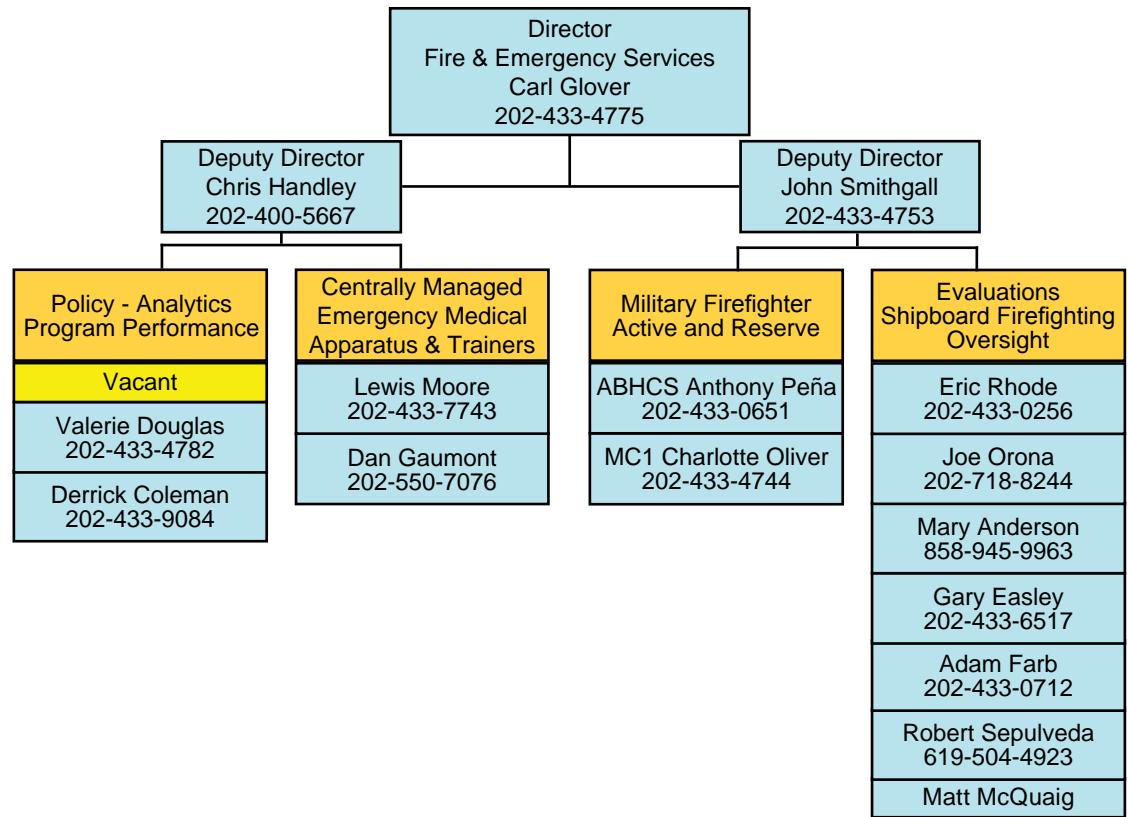
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**NAVY FIRE & EMERGENCY SERVICES  
LIFETIME ACHIEVMENT AWARDS**

- |                       |                             |
|-----------------------|-----------------------------|
| 2010 Kim Tae Tang     | 2020 Janice Lozoya          |
|                       | 2020 Daniel Vogel           |
| 2014 John Robinson    |                             |
|                       | 2021 James LaConte          |
| 2017 Thomas McCaffrey | 2021 ABHCS Anthony Tranumm  |
| 2017 Cort Jamison     |                             |
|                       | 2022 Cmdr. Matthew Matthias |
| 2019 Ricky Brockman   |                             |
| 2019 Paul Murray      |                             |
| 2019 John Rodgers     |                             |
| 2019 Michael Murray   |                             |