

VISTA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

DISTRICT BACKGROUND

The Vista Fire Protection District (FPD) provides fire protection and advanced life support-level (ALS) emergency medical service (EMS) within approximately 17 square miles of unincorporated territory adjacent to the City of Vista. Services within the FPD are provided by

organization that operated in unincorporated north county. The FPD was significantly diminished in 1963 when the City of Vista incorporated and twelve square miles were detached from the district to prevent duplication of responsibility.

DISTRICT CHARACTERISTICS

Principal Act:	Heath and Safety § 13800 et seq.
Services:	Structural fire protection Advanced life support EMS provided by agreement between the City of Vista and the Vista FPD
Stations:	4 city stations
ISO:	3 and 9 by area including the City of Vista (2011)
Dispatch:	North County Dispatch JPA
District area:	16.9 square miles
Population	18,736 (2012 SANDAG)
Sphere of Influence:	Larger than District
Sphere Adopted:	June 4, 1984
Sphere Affirmed:	May 5, 2014
Revenue sources:	Property tax, fees
Governance:	Elected 5-member Board of Directors
Board meeting:	2 nd Wednesday: 7:00 p.m. 175 N. Melrose Drive Vista, CA 92083
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View Map:	sdlafco.org/Webpages/agency_maps_links.htm

In 1970, the District and the City of Vista entered into a Joint Powers Agreement (JPA) for fire protection services. Fire Protection assets were merged and proportionate City-District ownership established. The City was assigned lead agency role and the City Fire Department provided services within both jurisdictions.

In 2005, the City purchased the District's share of JPA assets for \$2.5 million and the JPA was replaced with an *Agreement for Fire Suppression, Fire Prevention and Emergency Medical Services*. Under the Agreement, city fire protection services are provided within the Vista FPD in the same manner and to the same extent as within the City. The District and the City are individually responsible for a proportionate share of fire protection costs. Proportionality is developed from a ratio of City or District secured assessed valuation relative to the total of combined secured assessed valuation.

the City of Vista Fire Department under a City/District Agreement that proportionally assigns costs of providing fire protection services.

LAFCO approved a sphere-of-influence for the Vista FPD in 1984 that is larger than the district boundary. The sphere was last affirmed in 2014.

The Vista FPD was formed in 1944 to provide governmental structure for a volunteer fire or-

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