

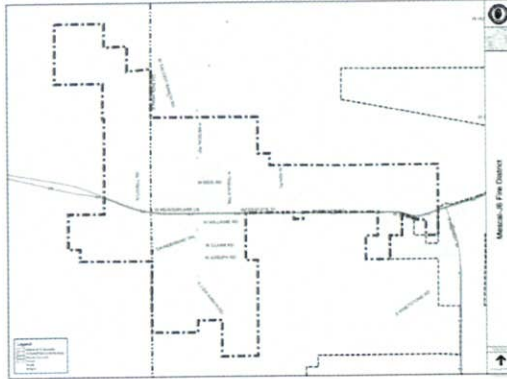


MESCAL-J6 FIRE DISTRICT

2023/2024 Bi-Annual Report

DISTRICT MAP

The Mescal-J6 Fire District encompasses approximately 19.5 square miles, including the communities of Mescal, J-6 Ranchettes, Empire Acres, Skyline, Empire and Salcido Acres, and Interstate 10 from milepost 295 to 302. We respond to an additional 4 miles of I-10, from mp295 to mp291, as well as 14 miles of Mescal Road to the Miller Creek Trailhead.



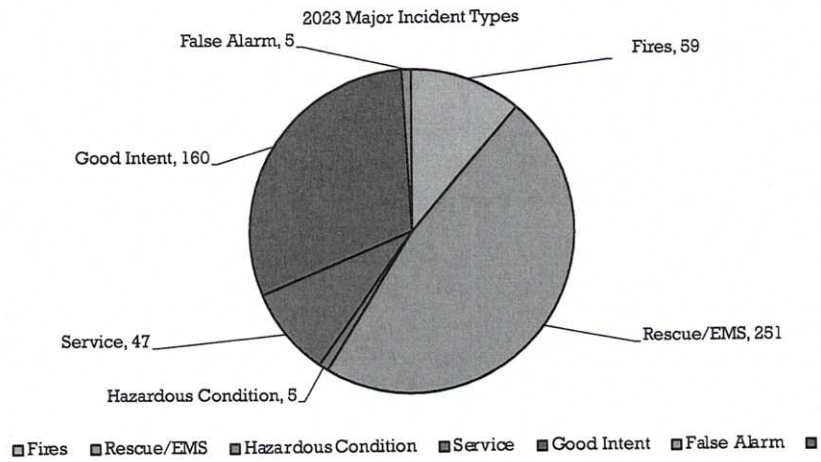
DISTRICT DEMOGRAPHICS

MESCAL AND J6 CENSUS DATA

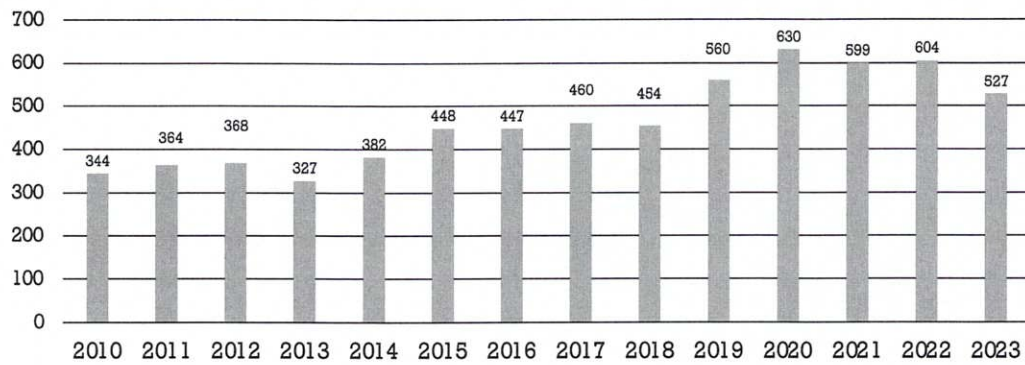
2020 J-6 Ranchettes	2020 Mescal	Total
Population- 647	Population- 1,751	Population- 2,398
Median Income-\$70,750	Median Income- \$50,086	Mean Income- \$58,356
Housing Units- 328	Housing Units- 858	Total Housing Units- 1,186
Median Age- 58.1	Median Age- 60.6	Mean Age- 59
Disabled- 29%*	Disabled- 28%*	Combined Disability: 21%*
*38% with an ambulatory disability	*46% with an ambulatory disability	*43% with an ambulatory disability

NOTE: Census data for area north of railroad tracks not available

INCIDENT STATISTICS



ANNUAL CALL VOLUME



DISTRICT APPARATUS

- **E171- 1995 E-One Int. Type I Engine:** 1,000 gallons H2O, 1250 GPM pump, 25 gallons foam.
- **E1711- 1986 Van Pelt Type I Engine:** 1,000 gallons H2O, 1,250 GPM Pump, 20 gallons foam.
- **R171- 2009 Chevy Tahoe:** First out vehicle for most incident responses.
- **R1711- 2011 Ford 550 Type 6 Engine:** 300 gallons H2O, 200 GPM pump, 15 gallons foam.
- **B171- 1999 Ford F350 Type 6 Brush Truck:** 230 gallons H2O, 225 GPM pump.
- **T171- 2010 Peterbilt Type II Support Tender:** 3,500 gallons H2O, 750 GPM pump.
- **T172- 2006 Ford F650 Type III Support Tender:** 1400 gallons H2O, 500 GPM pump.
- **T173- 1986 International Water Tender:** 4,000 gals H2O, Pump GPM unknown.
- **C171- 2007 Ford Expedition 4x4:** Command Vehicle.
- **U171- 2002 Chevy Silverado 4x4:** ¾ ton pickup on loan from AZ Dept. of Forestry & Fire.

PERSONNEL

- 1) Part-time Fire Chief
- 1) Part-time Office Administrator
- 11) Firefighters- 4) Az Firefighter II /EMT; 1) FFII; 6) Uncertified
- 3) Non-Operational Volunteers

FACILITIES

- 98 N. Oak Drive- Administration building/ meeting room
- 3172 N. Ripple Road- Administrative Parking
- 448 N. Warren Road - Station 171. Primary crew quarters and apparatus bays
- 388 S. J-Six Ranch Road- Station 172. Communications equipment, radio tower, secondary apparatus storage, helipad, 8" water well and 20,000 gallons water storage
- 3180 W. Ripple Road- .43 acre lot adjacent to Admin, donated by Skipper Family

NOTABLE EVENTS

- Benson Hospital Outreach continues with "Bagels n' Blood Pressures" 1st Friday of each month from 10:00am to 12:00pm
- Senior Tax Prep Assistance- Successful program ceased when administrator retired
- Real Property of .43 acres donated to MJFD by Skipper Family Trust
- Administrative Building- unsuccessful RFP for roof replacement, landscaping project to begin first of March, weather depending
- Radio Tower- Coaxial antenna cable replaced; transmission quality improved. Efforts to establish repeater location at Haystack location ongoing
- Training- Two firefighters to Arizona State Fire School, two to Fire Station Design conference, Rope Rescue Technician certifications earned by two firefighters
- Successful Annual Financial Review- independent CPA noted no deficiencies
- HAAS Driver Alert system operational- 2,680 drivers alerted to MJFD emergency vehicles operating in their vicinity
- FirstNet service established for MJFD w/ discount cellular service available to staff
- Starlink service established- excellent reliability and speed
- Policies & Procedures- 128 of 160 policies approved, 20 tabled for further research and second board review, 12 remaining for initial board review

NOTABLE EVENTS, CONT.

- Governing Board By-Laws updated
- Volunteer Coordinator Position created
- Planning for future fire station implemented- property search continues
- 911 mapping for both counties updated to include unofficial response areas
- SAFER and AFG grant applications denied- staff will resubmit SAFER and join regional AFG grant application with Benson, St. David and Pomerene Fire Departments.
- Use of Multipurpose Room continues with various users; sewing club, victim witness, gaming club, equine club, fire training and private citizen use
- Community Outreach- Attendance at Family Movie Night and participation in Christmas Lighting contest less than desired
- County Wide Dispatching- system is functional; reliability and quality much improved. BPD Dispatch is now linked with SEACOM dispatch and we are paged same time as Healthcare Innovations.