## **Message from the Fire Chief**

"Your Department of the Quality of Life"



Joe Napier, Fire Chief

The Valley Center Fire Protection District has been proudly serving our community for over 40 years. Since June 29,1982, the Valley Center Fire Protection District response area has covered 84.5 square miles of beautiful urban, rural and suburban wildland interface. We now provide service to over 23,000 residents and respond to over 2200 all-risk incidents annually. We are dispatched by a state of the art, advanced 9-1-1 system provided by the North County Dispatch JPA (North Comm). We operate out of two strategically located Fire Stations with a third Fire Station scheduled to open in 2023. This station and a future fire station will improve service and reduce response times in a climate of increasing demand.

The Valley Center Fire Protection District is an ISO Class 2-2X Fire Department which provides and receives exceptional service through our automatic and mutual aid partnerships. Our relationship with all of the North Zone Fire Agencies, Tribal Fire Agencies and Cal Fire / San Diego County Fire Stations that are in and around Valley Center, help us protect a growing community.

Our ongoing commitment to you, is to reduce Community Risk by providing exceptional all risk emergency response to Structure Fires, Wildfires, and Provide Advanced Medical Life Support Paramedic Services on every responding unit. We are the "department of the quality of life" in Valley Center, making our community a better place to live through our Core Family Values, Community Safety Education Programs and actively participating in all community events with a servant's heart. We are ready to respond at a moment's notice to meet the needs of our growing community.