

DICKINSON VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT



Dickinson Volunteer Fire Department

P. O. Box 1066

Dickinson, Texas 77539

Emergency Number: 911

Non-Emergency Phone #: 281-534-3031

Fax Number: 281-534-2796



**ESTABLISHED
IN
1942**



History of the Dickinson Volunteer Fire Department

The Dickinson Volunteer Fire Department was established in 1942. The Dickinson Community has had a volunteer fire department for 67 years.

The first fire station was located at the corner of Highway 3 and Minnesota Street. This station was in operation from 1942 to 1961.

The second station, known as “Old Station 1”, is located at FM 517 East and Dockrell Street. This station was in operation from 1961 to 2007. It is still owned by the Dickinson Volunteer Fire Department.

In 1998, Station 2, located at 221 FM 517 West was built. The Dickinson Volunteer Fire Department paid approximately \$250,000 for the building. The building services the west side of the Dickinson Community. This station is maintained, operated and owned by the Dickinson Volunteer Fire Department .

The New Central Fire Station, located at 4500 FM 517 East was built in 2007 for \$2.2 million. The building is being paid for by the City of Dickinson.

Future Plans -The current growth of the Dickinson Community indicates a need for a new station in the area of Hill Avenue and Deats Road.



Dickinson Volunteer Fire Department and the Community

In addition to responding to emergency calls, members of the fire department also volunteer to participate in many community related projects. They include “Fill the Boot” for Muscular Dystrophy, instructing at the Dickinson Community Police Academy, local parades, Dickinson Festival of Lights and Dickinson High School’s “Shattered Dreams”.





Emergency Vehicles



<u>UTILITY VEHICLES</u>	<u>YEAR</u>	<u>PRICE</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
CP—1	2009	\$ 29,000	Central Fire Station
U—57	2009	\$ 30,000	Station 2
<u>RESCUE VEHICLES</u>			
R—1 (HD Rescue)	2006	\$276,000	Central Fire Station
R—51	2000	Donated	Station 2
R—59	1996	\$ 18,000	Central Fire Station
R—58	1988	\$ 88,000	Retired
<u>WATER RESCUE</u>			
WR—1	2004	\$ 5,000	Central Fire Station
WR—2	2004	\$ 5,000	Station 2
<u>HAZARDOUS MATERIALS</u>			
HAZ—MAT 1	1998	\$ 10,000	Central Fire Station
<u>ENGINES</u>			
E—56	2002	\$315,000	Central Fire Station
E—54	1992	\$229,000	Station 2
E—53	1990	\$145,000	Central Fire Station
New E—52	2010	\$567,000	Station 2

Firefighter Equipment

Each firefighter is provided the following equipment. This does not include tools, hoses, training, etc.

Equipment	Cost	Purpose
Helmets	\$ 200	Personal Protective Equipment
Coats	\$ 750	Personal Protective Equipment
Pants	\$ 750	Personal Protective Equipment
Hoods	\$ 50	Personal Protective Equipment
Boots	\$ 150	Personal Protective Equipment
Gloves	\$ 120	Personal Protective Equipment
SCBA	\$5,800	Personal Protective Equipment
Radios	\$4,800	Communications
Pagers	\$ 450	Communications
Total Cost	\$13,700	



WHERE DOES OUR FUNDING COME FROM?

The operating budget of the Dickinson Volunteer Fire Department is approximately \$225,000 per year.

48%	W.C.I.D. #1 and Water Bill donations
42%	City of Dickinson
4%	Galveston County Firefighters Association
4%	Apartment Complex Water Meters
2%	Private Donations

Dickinson Volunteer Fire Department and Galveston County

The Dickinson Volunteer Fire Department is one of 16 Volunteer Fire Departments in Galveston County (many of which were affected by Hurricane Ike).

Other volunteer departments include:

Bacliff, Bayou Vista, Crystal Beach, Friendswood, High Island, Hitchcock, Jamaica Beach, Kemah, La Marque, League City, Port Bolivar, San Leon, Santa Fe, and Tiki Island.

Fully Paid Departments include:

Galveston and Texas City. La Marque is Combination

Interested in becoming a Volunteer Firefighter?

Membership is open to all residents of the Dickinson area who are 18 years of age or over and are of good moral character and physically sound. No prior experience is necessary.

If you are interested in applying for membership in the Dickinson Volunteer Fire Department, please download and complete the New Membership Package found at:

www.ci.dickinson.tx.us/fire_department_memberships.htm



Call Volume

1998—703
1999—623
2000—668
2001—687
2002—570
2003—628
2004—603
2005—654
2006—784
2007—782
2008—930
2009—808



Message from the Fire Chief

The Dickinson Volunteer Fire Department has been committed to serving the Dickinson Community for 67 years. We take pride in the history and tradition of our fire department. The department was built upon our past leadership; without them we could not tackle the challenges of the future. It is our goal to emphasize the importance of fire prevention and preparedness to minimize the loss of life and property damage in the Dickinson Community. Your monthly donation on your water bill allows us to continue keeping Dickinson a fire safe community. Thank you for your continued support!



For more information on the Dickinson Volunteer Fire Department

281-534-3011
281-534-3031 Ext. 3104
281-534-3031 Ext. 3103
281-534-3031 Ext. 3105

Non-Emergency Phone Number
Chief and Assistant Chiefs
Captains, Lieutenants, Safety Officers
Administrative Office



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