

KEARNEY FIRE & RESCUE PROTECTION DISTRICT

KEARNEY FIRE DISTRICT #2 QUESTION

This will give the District the ability to continue to respond to the needs of the community as you have come to expect and deserve.

Kearney Fire & Rescue Protection District also provides:

- CPR training to the public
- Certified child safety seat installation
- Fire safety education to schools and other groups in the community
- Smoke detector installation and battery replacement

TUESDAY, APRIL 5, 2022



The Kearney Fire & Rescue Protection District last asked for an increase in its operating levy in 2004.

In 2021, we responded to 2,125 calls for medical assistance at homes, businesses, traffic accidents, senior living facilities, and schools; fought fires from farm fields to homes; and other emergencies. This is more than twice as many calls as the 908 in 2004, the last time that we asked for a tax increase. Over 10% of the calls are overlapping. In other words, we were responding to two or more emergency calls at the same time.

We are proud to provide some of the best emergency medical care in the area. In 2021, we made over 1,000 trips to hospitals transporting people who had been injured in accidents, had suffered a heart attack or stroke, had fallen and broken a bone, or suffered other medical emergency. This was a nearly 70% increase in trips since 2008.

In 2004, when we last asked for a tax increase for our operating budget, our career firefighter/EMTs and Paramedics staff was 12 (three shifts of 4). In response to the increase in calls and population, we have expanded to a staff of 24 (three shifts of 8).

The advanced life support medical transport and the fire protection and prevention services we provide not only saves lives and property but also results in lower insurance rates for homeowners, business owners, and renters.

Paid for by Kearney Fire & Rescue Protection District.
Todd Gustafson, Chairman.

We are asking for a 15 cent operating tax increase

This will give the District the ability to attract and retain top Firefighter/EMT and Paramedic talent to continue to respond to needs of the community.

For the homeowner of a \$300,000 house, the increase will be less than \$7.15 per month.



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