

# ESSENTIAL SERVICES BALLOT MEASURE

Visalia Fire Department

# Fire

**Goal: Protect Life and Property by -**

- A) Sufficient emergency response units
- B) Maintain ISO rating

**Concerns:**

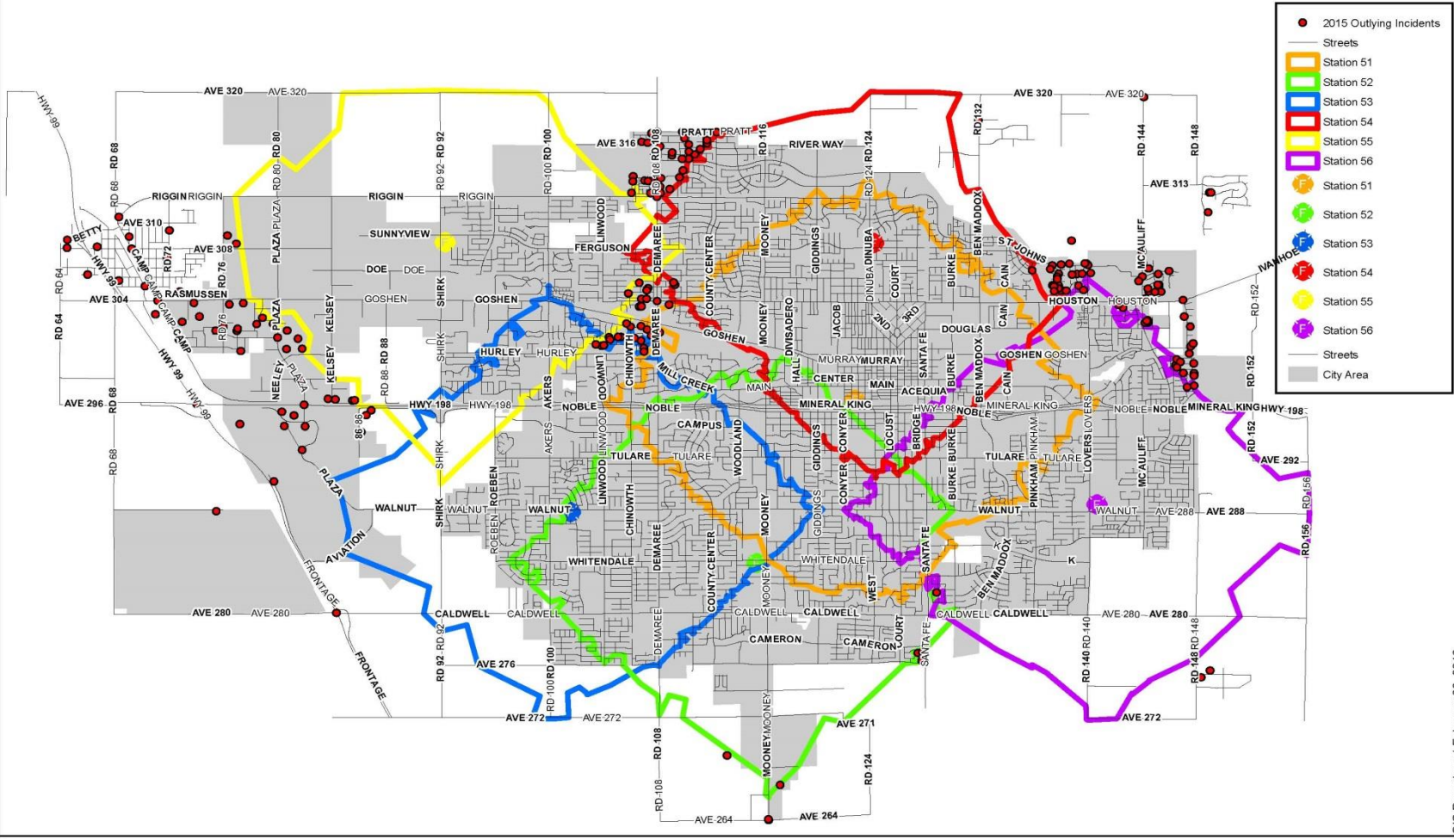
- A) Increasing calls
- B) Adequate staffing and equipment

# Fire Department Measures

- ▣ *Maintain Insurance Services Office (ISO) Rating*
- ▣ *Change from 3 to 4*
  - *cost 40,000 homeowner about \$15 mo/\$100,000 of valuation more than \$7 + million/yr.*
  - *Score based upon:*
    - ▣ *adequate staffing,*
    - ▣ *equipment, apparatus and*
    - ▣ *water supply.*
  - *Rated every 5 years, last 4 years ago.*

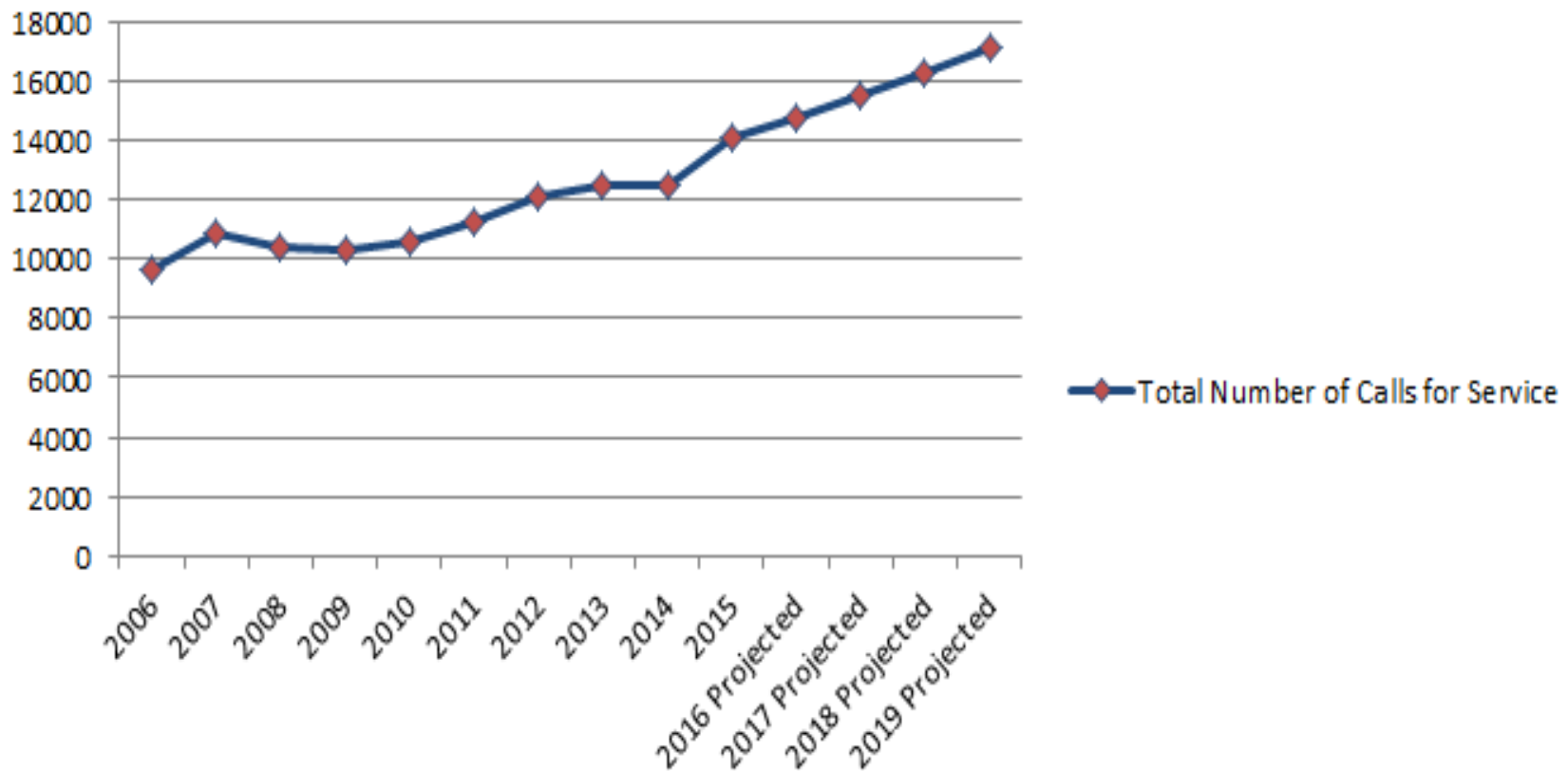
# Current Fire Station Response Areas

5 Minute Response Time - ( 4 min @ 35mph) with Outlying 2015 incidents



# Anticipated Growth in Calls Comparison by Year

## Total Number of Calls for Service



# Most calls are medical responses

- ▣ Over two thirds (67%) are emergency response
- ▣ To assure engines available, add squad instead of engine
  - Smaller crew – 2 instead of 3
  - Lower cost, keeps engines open

# Current Apparatus Needs

## Maintains ISO Rating

- ▣ Replacement of Reserve Fire Truck
  - Approximate cost is \$900,000
- ▣ Lighting and Breathing Support Vehicle
  - Approximate cost is \$300,000



# Fire Needs

		<u>Personnel</u>	<u>Buildings &amp; Equipment</u>	<u>15 years</u>
Fire Truck			\$ 0.9	\$ 0.9
Air Unit			\$ 0.3	\$ 0.3
Squad 51, year 6	\$	0.8	\$ 0.3	\$ 8.3
Rebuild 51			\$ 5.0	\$ 5.0
Squad 52, year 10	\$	0.8	\$ 0.3	\$ 4.3
Remodel Station 56			\$ 4.0	\$ 4.0
				\$ 22.8
			15 year	\$ 1.5
			Final Year, ongoing	\$ 1.6