



GCSD vs. CAL FIRE

Working Together to Protect Our Community



GCSD PROVIDES



CAL FIRE PROVIDES

GCSD is the local fire service provider and contract holder. We plan, pay for, own, and maintain the resources that support service to our community.



LOCAL GOVERNANCE

Elected Board of Directors sets policy, adopts budgets, and establishes service levels.



FUNDING & FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

Provides funding, manages budgets, pays for services and resources, and oversees financial accountability.



INFRASTRUCTURE & ASSETS

Owns and maintains fire station, land, buildings, apparatus, equipment, and supplies.



PLANNING & COMMUNITY NEEDS

Develops long-term plans, assesses community risk, and ensures services meet local needs.



CONTRACT OVERSIGHT

Establishes the Schedule A contract with CAL FIRE and monitors performance and service delivery.



LOCAL SERVICES & INFRASTRUCTURE

Provides water for fire protection, maintains hydrants, water storage, and supports emergency access and evacuation routes.



FIREFIGHTER STAFFING

Provides trained, professional firefighters to staff our fire station and respond to local emergencies and major disasters.



EMERGENCY RESPONSE

Provides fire suppression, emergency medical response, rescue, and other life-safety services.



APPARATUS OPERATIONS

Operates fire engines, water tenders, and other specialized equipment.



TRAINING & SAFETY

Provides ongoing training, certification, and adherence to CAL FIRE operational standards and safety programs.



INCIDENT MANAGEMENT

Manages emergency incidents, command operations, and coordination with allied agencies.



COMMUNITY SERVICE

Engages in public education, fire prevention, and community outreach programs.



GCSD provides the resources. CAL FIRE provides the people. | **Together, we serve and protect our community.**