



Fire Corps promotes the use of citizen advocates (volunteers) to support and augment the capacity of resource-constrained fire and emergency service departments at all levels: volunteer, combination and career.

Fire Corps is funded through the Department of Homeland Security and is managed and implemented through a partnership between the National Volunteer Fire Council and the International Association of Fire Chiefs, and with direction from the National Advisory Committee, a group of 15 national organizations representing the fire and emergency services, to provide the program with strategic direction and important feedback from the field.

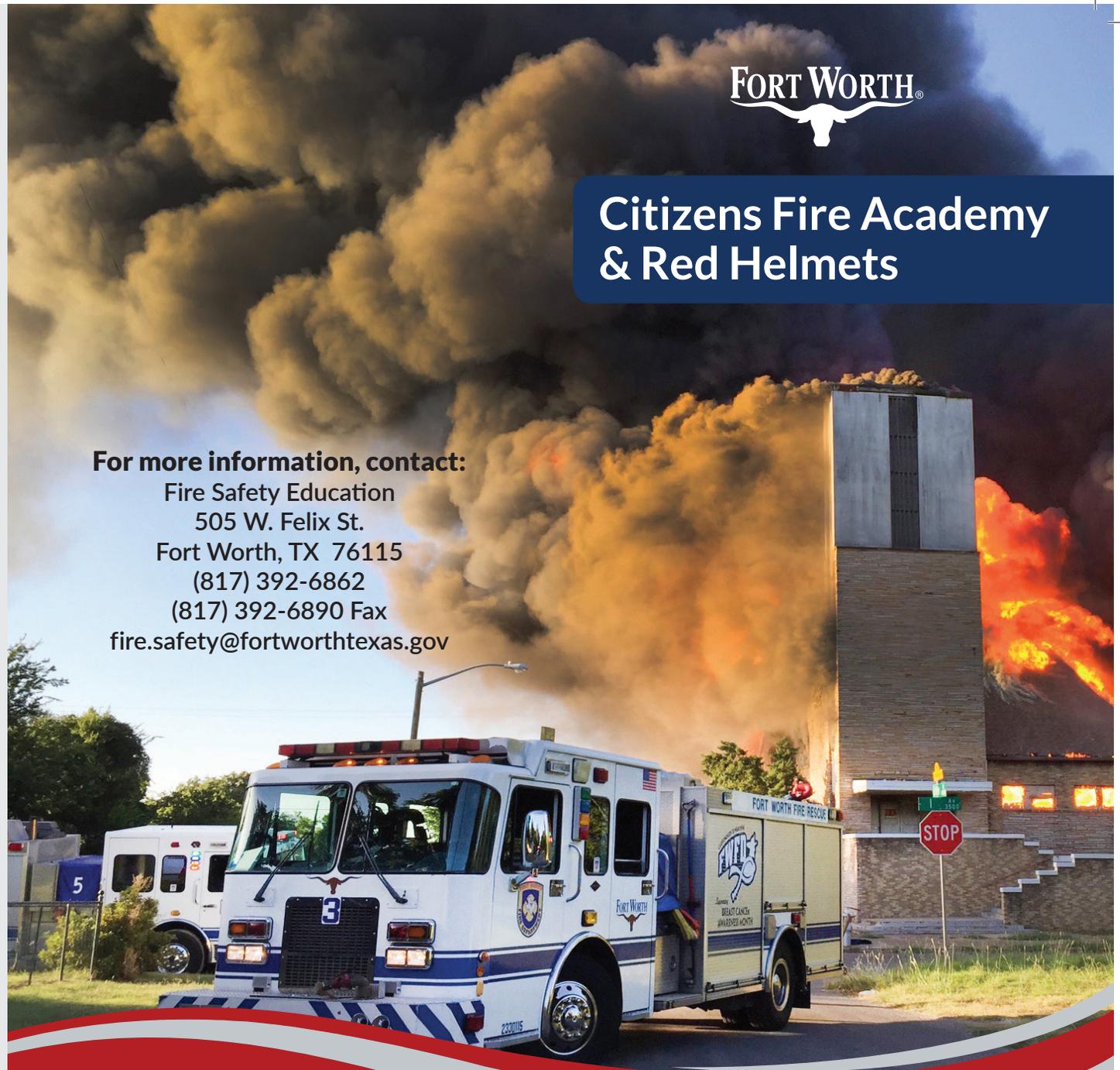
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## Citizens Fire Academy & Red Helmets

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Fort Worth's two registered Fire Corps programs need you. Learn how you can make a difference in your community.

## The Fort Worth Citizens Fire Academy



The Fort Worth Citizens Fire Academy meets one night a week for 8 weeks to provide attendees a better appreciation of the role firefighters have in our community. It is a hands-on

course with topics including:

1. Hoses, SCBA & PPE
2. Water Rescue
3. Aircraft Rescue Fire Fighting
4. First Aid, CPR & AED
5. Fire Safety
6. Technical Response
7. Haz-Mat
8. Arson
9. Support Organizations
10. Emergency Management Operations

Graduates support the fire department as volunteers in many capacities. Our volunteers install smoke detectors in area homes free of charge. They provide fire safety education at area events. The volunteers also raise



Taking calls for the fireworks hot line.



Assisting with community events.

funds to purchase supplies and equipment for the Public Education Section's Fire Safety Education Program. They entertain and educate children about fire safety as clowns or as our fire safety mascot "Sparky." They follow their mission statement:

*To serve and protect our community through education, prevention, preparedness and response as Citizen Advocates of the Fort Worth Fire Department.*

The Citizens Fire Academy Alumni Association (CFAAA) is comprised of graduates of the Fort Worth Citizens Fire Academy.



Learning about firefighter equipment and use.

## The Red Helmets



A FIRE DEPARTMENT SUPPORT ORGANIZATION

The RED HELMETS is an organization of dedicated civilian volunteers that have been serving refreshments and smiles to the Fort Worth Fire Department for more than 48 years. Our membership is made up of ordinary citizens from all walks of life that are willing to give their time and energy back to the community. Our focus is to provide meals, refreshment and encouragement to our public safety personnel at emergency incidents.



The RED HELMETS are proud to operate the Fort Worth Fire Department - Canteen Unit. The current canteen is our third unit since the group started and it was placed into service in 2005. This truck is equipped with a heat and AC unit, microwave and coffee maker. A large contingent of water, sodas, sports drinks and other snacks, are carried as needed based on the weather. The Canteen Unit responds to all two alarm and greater fires. They respond to other incidents by request and as backup for the FWFD Rehab Unit.

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