



# Why support TFPD's proposed Mill levy? **FACILITIES**



The Telluride Fire Protection District encompasses over 350 square miles of San Miguel County and is currently protected by four fire stations.

Station 1 - Town of Telluride: Originally remodeled in 1986 with a second floor addition. In 2022, crew quarters were constructed at Station 1 to accommodate three full time live in staff and one seasonal advanced life support (ALS) provider. It also accommodates six administrative staff and a volunteer roster of 15.

Station 2 - Mountain Village: Built in 1998, Station 2 is currently staffed by three full time live in responders. The district owns three apartments below the station. They are used to provide operational crew quarters and housing for staff and volunteers. Station 2 currently supports 13 volunteers.

Station 3 - Placerville: Built in 2004, Station 3 had office space reconfigured last year to house one full time live in firefighter. Operations are primarily supported by a current roster of 12 volunteer firefighters. Creative solutions are being discussed to accommodate an additional wildfire team and the capacity for a four person crew.

Station 4 - San Bernardo: Built in 2008, Station 4 is the only facility not staffed full time. There are no accommodations for live in staff. Two volunteer firefighters live in the Station 4 response area. They are backed up by station 2 staff and volunteers.

**NEEDS:** Based on National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) standards, all four district stations lack appropriate cancer prevention measures. (Exhaust evacuation systems, positive pressure system between quarters and apparatus bays, gear room isolation, etc) This increases exposure and risks to responders and administrative staff. In addition, all stations lack back up power systems that cause delays during power outages.

Our facilities are beyond capacity and will need significant capital investment to meet the current response growth projections. Additional stations are needed to better serve the increased development in outlying areas where there is high wildfire risk and insurance challenges. Improvements must be made to provide increased staff capacity and secure housing for volunteers and staff.