Service Area Plan

Department of Fire Programs

Technical Assistance and Consultation Services (74404)

Service Area Background Information

Service Area Description

VDFP provides expertise and consultation to fire and emergency service providers across the Commonwealth on subjects including: Aircraft Rescue & Firefighting, Heavy & Technical Rescue, Marine Fire Fighting, Motorsports Safety, Hazardous Materials, Incident Management, and Logistical Support with 41 fullyequipped trailers.

VDFP is dedicated to the safety of Virginia citizens, as well as that of fire and emergency service providers. VDFP gathers data and disseminates information to ensure the identification and promotion of best practices to address all hazards.

Service Area Alignment to Mission

Providing technical assistance and serving as an advocate to fire and emergency services agencies are both specifically listed in our mission statement.

Service Area Statutory Authority

In § 9.1-203 the Virginia Fire Services Board(VFSB) is tasked to "provide technical assistance and advice to local fire departments, other fire service organizations, and local governments." The is filled via the VFSB and the agency.

Service Area Customer Base

Customer(s)	Served	Potential
Citizens of the Commonwealth	7,459,827	7,459,827
Fire and Emergency Services	23,141	30,000
Government (state and local)	400	400

Service Area Partners

Local governmental agencies

Consult on training and serve as subject matter experts on training, apparatus, station location, and best practices.

Service Area Partners

Public and Private Organizations

VDFP partners with public and private organizations in regards to accreditation, national standards and policies, and on national fire and emergency service initiatives.

Service Area Partners

State Agencies

Work closely with state agencies in areas of mutual interest for emergency management and preparedness.

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Service Area Products and Services

- VDFP provides curricula packages created by subject matter experts correlated to the national standards.
- VDFP publishes best practices on our website and through our agency bimonthly publication.
- Upon request, the Virginia Fire Services Board in conjunction with the Agency produce locality specific studies of their fire and emergency services.
- VDFP sends program specific updates to interested parties via email list serve.
- Through our 1403 Safety Compliance Officer Program we provide monitoring of live burn operations to ensure compliance with National Fire Protection Agency (NFPA) 1403.

Service Area Human Resources Summary

Service Area Human Resources Overview Service Area Full-Time Equivalent (FTE) Position Summary Effective Date: Non-Classified (Filled)..... 0 Full-Time Classified (Filled) 0 Part-Time Classified (Filled) 0 Faculty (Filled) 0 Wage 0 Contract Employees 0 Total Human Resource Level 0

Factors Impacting Service Area Human Resources

Anticipated Changes in Service Area Human Resources

Service Area Financial Summary

	Fiscal Year 2007		Fiscal Year 2008	
	General Fund	Nongeneral Fund	General Fund	Nongeneral Fund
Base Budget	\$0	\$418,000	\$0	\$418,000
Changes To Base	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
SERVICE AREA TOTAL	\$0	\$418,000	\$0	\$418,000

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Service Area Objectives, Measures, and Strategies

Objective 74404.TA1

Serve as a clearing house for best practices and information dissemination on a broad spectrum of initiatives at the state and national level.

By serving as a clearing house for best practices VDFP excels in providing technical assistance and consultation services. Through podium based training, participation in national initiatives, and by publication of best practices serves as a clearing house for best practices.

This Objective Has The Following Measure(s):

• Measure 74404.TA1.01

Best practice internet tracking

Measure Type: Output Measure Frequency: Monthly

Measure Baseline: 6900 website hits in May 2005

Measure Target: 7590 website hits in May 2006

Measure Source and Calculation:

VDFP uses WebTrends software to track hits on certain web pages that contain best practices tips and information.

Objective 74404.TA1 Has the Following Strategies:

- Continued participation on committees at the state and national level.
- Continued identification and publication of best practices as they are identified.