

Questions About the Bond Proposal on the Ballot?

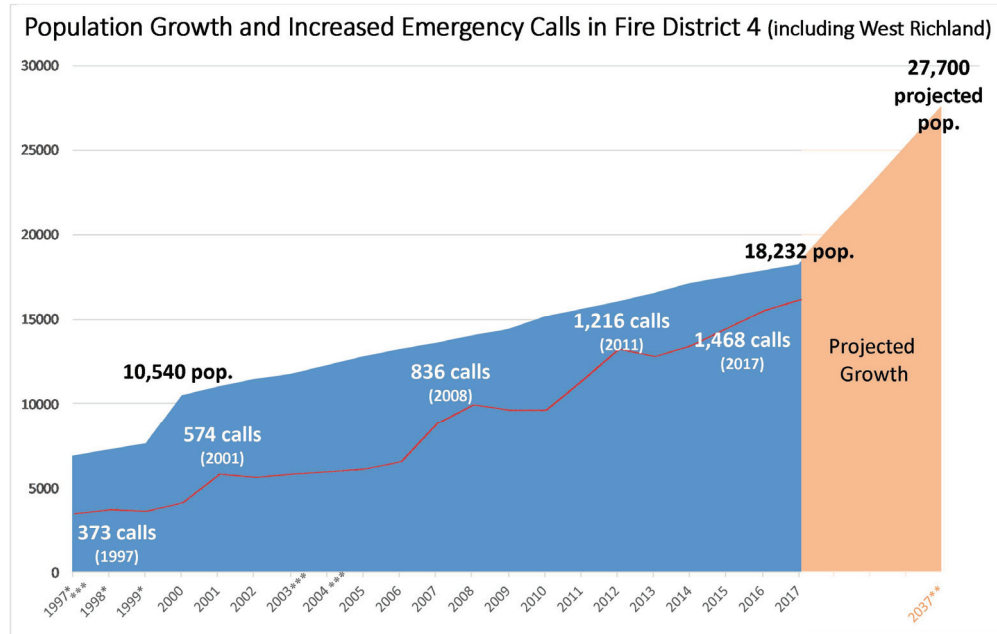


We have answers.



What's on my election ballot?

Benton County Fire District 4 is asking voters to approve a bond to build and equip a new station and replace three fire engines that are approaching the end of their usable lives.



* Incomplete population data 1997-99
** Projected population growth for area
*** Incomplete call data 1997, 2003, 2004

Why is my fire district asking for this?

Our community is growing. Call volumes have increased 62.5% since 2010 and back-to-back emergency calls happen regularly. Adequate facilities and apparatus are important to saving lives and property.

How will another station improve service?

The station and apparatus will balance our emergency response district-wide, reduce response times, and provide additional units to respond during back-to-back emergencies.

How much does it cost?

The bond is expected to last for 20 years and cost 28-cents per \$1,000 of assessed value. (It could be paid off early if growth continues for our area.) This means approximately \$7 per month (\$84 per year) for the owner of a \$300,000 home.

Where can I find more information?

More information can be found on our website at www.bcfed4.org. Chief Bill Whealan also is available to answer questions at (509) 967-2496 or wwhealan@bcfed4.org.

Thank you for considering our request.