



RANCHO SANTA FE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

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CHIEF JIM STURTEVANT NAMED FIREFIGHTER OF THE YEAR

RANCHO SANTA FE, Calif. — The Rancho Santa Fe Fire Protection District (RSFFPD) has named Battalion Chief Jim Sturtevant as the recipient of the 2016 David B. Dewey Firefighter of the Year Award. Sturtevant was announced as the recipient of the award at the annual RSFFPD Appreciation Dinner for his dedication, sense of duty, leadership, commitment to the Fire District, and customer service.

Sturtevant was hired by the RSFFPD in 1984. During his 30-year career with the RSFFPD he has served as a firefighter, engineer, and captain before being promoted to battalion chief in 2006. In addition to his regular assigned duties, Sturtevant has served on the Haz Mat committee and written grant proposals on behalf of the District, including a successful proposal that made it possible for the fire district to replace all of the firefighters' breathing apparatus in 2009. While overseeing facility maintenance, he diligently saw that all corrections or construction were completed on time and under budget.

"It is a true honor to be recognized by your peers," says Fire Chief Tony Michel. "Jim Sturtevant is an outstanding battalion chief and we are privileged to have him as a member of this District."

The mission of the Rancho Santa Fe Fire Protection District is "To protect life, property, and environment through prevention, preparedness, education and emergency response." Formed in 1946, the Fire District now spans approximately 38-square miles and protects over 29,000 citizens. The Fire District currently operates out of five full-time fire stations and serves the communities within and surrounding Rancho Santa Fe, Fairbanks Ranch, and 4S-Ranch.

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