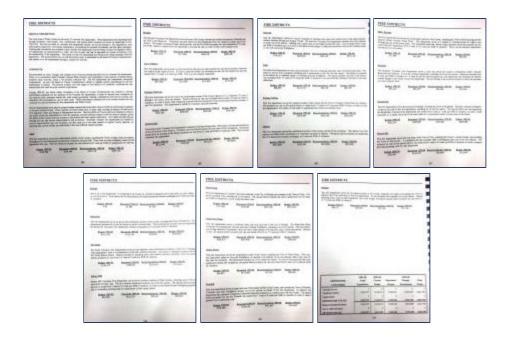
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## **Wake County Fire District Descriptions - 1993**

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Here's a blast from the past, descriptions of Wake County's fire districts, as appeared in the budget document for Fiscal Year 1993-94. Click once or twice to enlarge, or see summary transcriptions below:



These appear to exclusively reflect county payments to these departments, based on their special tax rates. The budget information doesn't necessarily reflect municipal contributions, nor are municipal-only departments included. e.g., Raleigh, Cary, Zebulon (Municipal), etc.

- Apex Serves southwestern portion of county, including town. One station. Volunteers and paid staff. Tax rate 8.5 cents. Budget and \$197,173.
- Bay Leaf Serves county area between Raleigh northern borders and Falls Lake. Two stations at either end of district. Volunteers and paid staff. Tax rate 5.5 cents, with request for increase denied, to fund new pumper truck. Budget \$448,150.
- Cary (Yrac) Serves areas in and around Cary that haven't been annexed, from one station in center of town. All volunteer. Tax rate 8 cents, raised from 7.5 cents to offset shrinking tax base. Budget \$113,834.
- Durham Highway Northwestern corner of county adjacent to Highway 70, west of city limits, from two stations. Volunteers and paid personnel. Tax rate 6 cents, raised from 4 cents, to honor debt obligations incurred with construction of second station and purchase of new apparatus. Budget \$350,403.
- Fairgrounds District includes area west of city boundaries. All volunteer. Tax rate 9 centers, raised from 6.5 cents, to offset annexation losses. Budget \$119,675.
- Fairview District composed largely of farm land and some rural subdivisions lying approximately halfway between Raleigh and Fuquay-Varina. Two stations at either end of district. All volunteer, but converting to some paid staff. Tax rate 6.5 centers, raised from 4 cents, for staffing. \$209,353.
- Falls Serves area northeast of city, generally east of Falls Lake dam. District gradually shrinking due to annexation. One station. Volunteer and paid staff. Tax rate 9.5 centers, increased from 7.5 cents to offset losses due to annexation. Budget \$89,762.
- Fuquay-Varina Serves southern reaches of county and town. Two stations. All volunteer. Tax rate 8.5 cents, increased from 7.5 cents, to fund first influx of paid staff. Budget \$302,558.
- Garner Serves southeastern portion of county and town. Two fire stations. Combination of volunteers and paid personnel. Tax rate 6 cents. Budget \$329,853.
- Holly Springs Serves far southwestern portion of county, including town and Shearon Harris Nuclear Power Plant. Serves as backup to plant's fire brigade. One station. All volunteer. Tax rate 9.5 cents, raised from 6 centers, for new equipment needs and rising costs.

Budget \$41,103.

- Hopkins Serves rural area along county's northeastern border, between Rolesville and Zebulon. One station. All volunteer. Tax rate 7.5 cents, raised from 5 centers, primarily to allow purchase of new pumper. Budget \$54,266.
- Knightdale Serves area east of Knightdale, including town. One station. Paid and volunteer. Tax rate 7 cents, raised from 6 centers, to fund payments on a ladder truck, and set aside funds for a future replacement station. Budget \$229,600.
- Morrisville Serves area west of Cary, reaching county's western border, and including town of Morrisville. Two stations. Paid and volunteer staff. Tax rate 10 cents, raised from 5 centers, to support growing operating costs. Budget \$83,648.
- Raleigh Not a fire department, but payment to county by portion of taxpayers not in any town or city limits or fire district. Tax rate 9.5 cents. Budget \$1,366.
- Rolesville Serves area in northeastern portion of county, including town. One station. All volunteer. Tax rate 6.5 cents. Budget \$150,903.
- Six Forks Serves area adjacent to northwestern border of city. One station operated in unison with Six Forks Rescue Squad. Paid and volunteer personnel. Tax rate 6 cents, raised from 5.5, due to natural increases in operating costs, most notably insurance payments. \$154,543.
- Stony Hill Serves far northern reaches of county, including most of land north of Falls Lake. One station. All volunteer. Tax rate 9.5 cents, raised from 7 cents, to raise money for new fire apparatus and eventually purchase land for replacement of aging station. Budget \$78,331.
- Swift Creek Located in area southwest of city and southeast of Cary. One station. All volunteer. Tax rate 4.5 cents, raised from 4 cents, over rising insurance costs. Budget \$151,416.
- Wake-New Hope Serves combined urban and rural area east of city. Two stations. Paid and volunteer members. Tax rate 7.5 cents, raised from 6.5 cents, due to district recently losing a large amount of property value, though only a small amount of land, due to recent annexations. Budget \$466,855.
- Wake Forest Serves northeastern corner of county, including town. One station. Volunteer plus first paid staff, added this year in
  response to inability to provide adequate staff at scene of daytime incidents. Tax rate of 6.5 cents, raised from 5 centers, for staffing.
  Budget \$79,234.
- Wendell Serves large rural area in eastern portion of county, including town. Two stations. Volunteer and paid staff. Also operates haz-mat response program on contract basis with county. Tax rate 8 cents, raised from 7 cents, to meet general rise in operating costs. Budget \$141,847.
- Zebulon Serves far eastern portion of county, particularly the region surrounding the town, which has its own fire department. One station. All volunteer. Tax rate 7.5 cents, raised from 6.5 cents, driven by general operating costs, such as small equipment. Budget \$78,786.

Interesting, how does this compare to current budgets?

Madoff - 02/26/14 - 07:31

What is the RFD budget?

**Ted C** - 02/26/14 - 09:25

Raleigh FD: FY14 = \$51,394,308 (see page 152 of this link's document): http://gsa.raleighnc.gov/smb/ptlprdapp1/..

A.C. Rich - 02/26/14 - 14:09

Hey Mike

What is the population served by RFD? What is the population served by the Wake County departments after you remove RFD and Cary? **just asking** - 03/06/14 - 11:26

Here is my stab at answering that question:

City of Raleigh – 423,179

Town of Cary - 145,693

Wake County – 952,151

Wake County minus Raleigh and Cary - 383,279

Source: <a href="http://quickfacts.census.gov">http://quickfacts.census.gov</a>

Not Mike - 03/08/14 - 11:14

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