

Thank You

Your continued support enables us to save lives and protect property in SW Polk Fire District. Stay informed, get involved, and help us keep our community safe.

How You Can Help

- Vote in the November 2025 election
- Share this information with your neighbors
- Ask questions and attend community meetings

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**SW Polk Fire District General
Operating Levy Renewal
Protecting Our Community -
Preserving Our Progress**

Election Date: **November 2025**

Learn more at:
www.swpolkfd.org

Why Is the Levy Renewal Important?

In 2022, voters approved a general operating levy that transformed emergency services in our district. This renewal will preserve the vital progress we've made in staffing, response times, and community safety.

What's New in the Renewal?

This renewal includes a rate increase from **\$0.81 per \$1,000** of assessed property value to **\$1.37 per \$1,000**. For a property assessed at \$200,000, this means an increase from **\$162/year to \$274/year**----**about \$112 more per year**, or less than **\$10 per month**.

Without this levy, we risk:

- Increased emergency response times
- Reduced staffing and ambulance services
- More dependence on mutual aid

Renewing the levy ensures we continue to meet the growing needs of our community.

What Have We Accomplished

Community Investment Has Delivered Results

- **Response Times Improved:** From over 18/28 minutes to under 10 minutes across the district.
- **Expanded Ambulance Services:** Took over Polk County ASA #2 in 2024.
- **Staffing Increased:** Full-time crews now serve both north and south ends 24/7.
- **Higher Call Coverage:** Responded to over 99% of calls for service in 2024.
- **Mutual Aid Strengthened:** Provided nearly 500 responses to neighbors in 2024.
- **Training Accreditation Achieved:** Certifying members in 11 fire disciplines
- **Federal Grants Secured:** Improving all three stations in 2025.

Responsible Use of Your Tax Dollars

- Employed 13 full-time responders and multiple part-time staff
- Improved fire and EMS readiness while keeping cost comparable to local agencies
- Invested in personnel, apparatus, and station upgrades

What Happens If It's Not Renewed?

- Service reductions and longer wait times
- Loss of progress made since 2022
- Less local ambulance coverage

