



Umatilla Rural Fire Protection District

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Greetings,

The Umatilla Rural Fire District is committed to ensuring the safety and well-being of our community. As part of our efforts to improve and meet the challenges of a growing community, we are seeking two community members to join our Strategic Planning Committee. Having a community voice on our committee will help our organization meet the expectations and growing challenges of our community. This five-year plan will help guide the organization through these challenges now and into the future.

Strategic planning is a systematic, participatory process to manage long-term organizational change and growth. The process is proactive, not reactive – anticipating change while simultaneously stimulating it. The process is designed to assess an organization's capacities and environment, clarify its mission, build a shared vision of the future, determine its priorities, set common goals for the entire organization, create action plans, focus energy and resources, measure results and evaluate and adjust the organization's direction in response to evolving customer and community needs and a changing environment.

The committee will meet four or five times, over a two-month period, on evenings and possible a Saturday, to create this plan.

If you have interest in serving on this committee, please contact Fire Chief Chris Grant at (541)701-7710 or chris.grant@umatillafire.org. To be considered for the committee the following questions will be asked.

1. What part of the Umatilla Rural Fire District do you reside in? McNary, Downtown, South Hill or in unincorporated Umatilla?
2. Have you ever used the services of your fire department, either emergency or non-emergency?
3. Have you ever used emergency medical services to include ambulance service?
4. Are you able to attend 4-5 meetings or workshops to help plan and improve emergency services in your community?

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Chris Grant | Fire Chief