



**OPERATIONS:** The Operations Division responds to all emergency calls involving fire, medical emergencies, vehicle accidents, and other life-threatening situations. The department receives and responds to nearly 8,000 calls per year. Nearly 80% of all emergency calls are medically related. Response times average 5:00 minutes citywide.

**EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES:** All units responding to medical calls, including the fire engines, are equipped to provide Advanced Life Support (ALS) services. The Operations Division maintains six ALS units with a minimum of 14 firefighters on duty 24 hours a day, seven days a week. All personnel are State of Florida certified firefighters with the majority being certified paramedics. Our men and women are highly trained to serve the citizens of Oakland Park at a moment's notice.

**FIRE SUPPRESSION SERVICES:** Oakland Park firefighters are continuously trained to respond to diverse emergencies including commercial, household and vehicle fires, vehicle accidents involving patient extrication, search and rescue, hazardous materials and other types of rescue situations. All personnel participate in pre-fire planning for commercial structures in the City of Oakland Park on a regular basis. This planning affords more efficient fire fighting and search and rescue tactics for effective rescue, fire control, and property loss management.

