

# PUBLIC SAFETY



## PERSPECTIVE

- Greeley's first law enforcement officer was Constable Samuel B. Wright, who served from 1871 – 1873
- During his term a 50-foot smooth, wire fence was installed around Greeley to keep cows out (and some of the area's rowdies, as well)

**VISION:** A safe community which attends to and minimizes risks

**GOAL:** Achieve and sustain the reputation as a safe, vibrant, and healthy community which minimizes risks to its residents and commerce through coordinated, assertive, and practical means with a strong emphasis on hazard and crime prevention

## QUICK FACTS



Greeley Police Department received 57,885 calls in 2007 (619 calls per 1,000 residents)



5,994 adults and 1,142 juveniles were arrested in 2007



Union Colony Fire responded to 8,915 calls in 2007 (5,973 medical; 305 fires; 2,637 "other" calls)



Fire losses in 2007 totaled \$1,617,241



Up to 55% of rainfall in urban areas can become storm water runoff and can carry harmful pollutants, cause flooding, and cause erosion

## PROGRESS

- *911 emergency service has been enhanced to E-911 to permit dispatchers to send help to the correct location*
- *Mutual Aid and Intergovernmental agreements have been established for a variety of response, training, and related matters*
- *Creation of the City's Neighborhood Building Blocks program facilitates an integrated support team from all City departments to assist with neighborhood issues*
- *Construction of a new Police Headquarters*
- *Construction of Fire Station #7 and relocation/replacement of Fire Station #3*

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2060 Comprehensive Plan. Comments, suggestions? Please visit [www.greeleygov.com](http://www.greeleygov.com)

## **KEY CONCEPTS**

- ✚ World has changed since last Comprehensive Plan (9/11, Katrina, Iowa floods, Virginia Tech, nightclub fires)
- ✚ Fixing “Broken Windows” correlate to sense of neighborhood safety
- ✚ Successful safety programs involve partnerships with community/citizens (Neighborhood Watch, Citizen Academies, Personal Safety Awareness, Operation Safe Stay, NB2)
- ✚ Community hazards need to be identified and plans ready for response (Haz mat routes, flood plains, fire hazards, pandemic, brownfields, oil/gas, etc.)
- ✚ Emergency response planning essential
- ✚ Area and regional cooperation key to cost effective and responsive services (dispatch, tactical units, FBI, ATF, etc.)
- ✚ Community self-sufficiency will help reduce cost of delivering services

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## **CHAPTER HIGHLIGHTS**

### **PS1 EMERGENCY RESPONSE**

- Provide emergency services in the form of police, fire and medical aid in a comprehensive, coordinated and responsive fashion
- Minimize loss of life and property from accidents, hazardous incidents, crime, and other threats
- Respond to emergencies in such a manner that maintains competitive rates for insurance and sustains a community-valued quality of life standard
- Protect citizens and businesses from dangerous situations

### **PS2 COMMUNITY DESIGN, DEVELOPMENT, AND CRIME PREVENTION**

- Develop the built environment in such a way that is safe, aesthetically pleasing, and livable
- Increase a positive public perception of Greeley as a safe place to live, work, and play and deter opportunities for illegitimate and undesirable actions

### **PS3 CITIZEN CONDUCT**

- Promote activities and programs which reinforce citizen responsibility for community and personal well-being
- Address behaviors that disregard public safety of others or property
- Support efforts to engage residents and businesses in resolving conflicts in a proactive and sustained manner

### **PS4 SUPPORT, ENFORCEMENT, AND PREVENTION**

- Focus on and support actions which support constructive behaviors and deter undesirable activity
- Take actions to minimize more serious conditions or level of response needed to address threats which impede community and individual safety