



EMS & Fire Training Center

TMCC is developing plans to build a new Emergency Medical Services (EMS) and Fire Rescue Training Center at our Redfield Campus location. In response to the urgent needs in our region, especially following the 2024 Davis Fire, TMCC is stepping up to meet the rising demand for trained firefighters and the growing enrollment in our Fire and EMS programs.

TMCC currently holds its Fire Academy and Wildland Fire training drills at the Carson City Fire Station #52. This Station is accommodating six academies and monthly fire department trainings, and the congestion at their station has created severe logistical challenges for effective firefighter training.

The location of the EMS and Fire Training Center at TMCC's Redfield campus would provide an additional space and ideal location that will allow TMCC to partner with multiple agencies in urgent need of trained personnel. Sparks, Truckee Meadows Fire District, and rural agencies will be able to train at the Center. The space will also allow for an increased pipeline of students in TMCC's structure fire, wildland firefighting, and EMS programs to meet the safety needs of the rapidly growing population in Northern Nevada.

TMCC's EMS programs that are currently housed at the Redfield Campus in the William N. Pennington Health Science Center include:

- Fire Academy – classes are held at the Health Science Center and training is currently conducted at the Carson City Fire Station #52. Students are certified as Firefighter I and in Basic Wildland Firefighting and Hazardous Materials training. They also receive a Skills Certificate in Fire Suppression.
- Fire Science Technology, Certificate of Achievement (30 credits) — stackable to the 60-credit Fire Technology, Fire Suppression, AAS
- Wildland Firefighting — Workshop certification and workshop classes
- EMT — Basic Skills Certificate, Advanced EMT Skills Certificate
- Paramedic — Certificate of Achievement (52 credits) – stackable to the 62-credit Prehospital Emergency Medicine AAS
- Bachelor's in Emergency Management and Homeland Security

Locating the EMS and Fire Rescue Training Center on TMCC's Redfield Campus will provide excellent synergy for students in these programs due to the array of courses currently offered at the campus.

On March 7, 2025 the NSHE Board of Regents approved TMCC's proposal to move forward with the construction of a fire rescue training facility, which is phase 1 of a 2-phase project. Phase 1 is the purchase and erection of a Fire Rescue Training Tower and training grounds, where cadets can practice ingress and egress, working in enclosed spaces, and rescuing victims from buildings. The simulated training involves no emergency lights, no sirens, no fire, and no burn smoke, only propane and water vapor.

Phase 2 will include the erection of a teaching facility with classrooms, labs, and bays for fire rescue training vehicles. Throughout this project, TMCC has been collaborating with the Nell J. Redfield Foundation and the University of Nevada, Reno on the new Redfield Master Plan. This expansion is essential to meet the growing demand for firefighters and EMTs, and we look forward to delivering for our community.

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