



Fire Department

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October 16, 2025

Santa Barbara County Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
105 E. Anapamu Street, 4th Floor
Santa Barbara, CA 93103

Re: Emergency Medical Care Committee (EMCC) Nomination

Dear Clerk of the Board,

The Santa Barbara County Fire Department is pleased to submit the following County Fire District representative nomination for the Emergency Medical Care Committee (EMCC), established pursuant to Santa Barbara County Board Resolution No. 23-217, adopted on October 10, 2023.

- Garrett Huff, Deputy Fire Chief – Emergency Services, Santa Barbara County Fire Department

Please do not hesitate to contact the County Fire District if you require anything further and we look forward to participating in the EMCC.

Sincerely,

Chief Mark A. Hartwig
Fire Chief / Fire Warden
Santa Barbara County Fire Department



Emergency Medical Care Committee (EMCC) Membership Application

Application ONLY to be used by members nominated by organizations identified in County of Santa Barbara Board of Supervisors Resolution 23-217; Consumer Representatives must complete Clerk of the Board Application.

Please note information provided is a matter of public record and may be disclosed publicly. Applicants are encouraged to use business information when completing the application. By completing this application, you agree to any public disclosure required by state or federal law.

First Name	Garrett	Last Name	Huff
Email			
Street Address			
City		State	Zip
Phone			

Name of Nominating Agency (Check Only One) BOS Reso 23-217 Section 6 1-9			
Hospital Association of Southern California - Emergency Physician	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Hospital Association of Southern California - Registered Nurse	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Local City Manager	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
County Health - Public Agency Paramedic	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Hospital Representative - Cottage Healthcare System	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Hospital Representative - Lompoc Valley Health Care District	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Hospital Representative - Dignity Health	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Fire Chiefs' Association of Santa Barbara	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Santa Barbara County Fire District	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
American Medical Response - Santa Barbara	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
County Health - Consumer Representative	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Consumer Representatives from Supervisorial Districts must complete Clerk of the Board Application at <https://www.countyofsb.org/1240/Join-a-Board-Commission-or-Committee>

If you are now, or have ever been employed by the County of Santa Barbara, please list the department in which you worked, your title, and the dates you were employed.

Santa Barbara County Fire Department. Deputy Chief (Fire Chief 12/8/25)
10/2005-Present

Please provide a brief background of your experience, training and education. Please attach a CV or resume

Served as a Firefighter/Paramedic, Engineer/Paramedic(FTO), and Fire Captain/Paramedic (2022-2016). Have been cross trained as a flight paramedic at ASU. Served as the Division Chief of EMS/Training and the Deputy Chief of Emergency Services which included EMS. Will be appointed to Fire Chief on Dec. 8th, 2025. Current EMT (1998-Present)
Also serve as Assistant Director of the CalChiefs EMS Southern Section.

Signature		Date	11/14/2025
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GARRETT HUFF

WORK HISTORY

DEPUTY FIRE CHIEF – EMERGENCY SERVICES

Santa Barbara County Fire Department (Feb 2024 – Present)

- Lead executive for EMS Transport and the Regional Fire Communications Center
- Oversee EMS and Support Services Divisions
- Manage complex special projects with local and regional impact
- Rotate as an Operational Duty Chief

DIVISION CHIEF - EMS/TRAINING

Santa Barbara County Fire Department (Sep 2021 – Feb 2024)

- Managed the EMS and Training Divisions
- Led the ambulance transport initiative from inception to implementation-ready
- Served as Department Safety Officer and rotating Duty Chief

BATTALION CHIEF - DEPUTY FIRE MARSHAL

Santa Barbara County Fire Department (Apr 2019 - Sep 2021)

- Managed the Fire Marshal's Office daily operations
- Oversaw code revisions and transition of Oil Program responsibilities
- Established Inspection/Services Section and launched new Fuels Crew

FIRE CAPTAIN

Santa Barbara County Fire Department (Apr 2013 - Mar 2019)

- Led engine companies and served as Crew Chief in the Air Support Unit
- Served for four years as a Department Training Officer and led four recruit academies
- Contributed to the statewide rewrite of the CA Firefighter I and Driver/Operator curricula
- Established and served as the first chair of the FIRESCOPE Behavioral Health Specialist Group

FIRE ENGINEER/INSPECTOR

Santa Barbara County Fire Department (Aug 2010 - Apr 2013)

- Developed and instructed the department's driver training program.
- Served as a Paramedic Field Training Officer and Hazardous Materials Technician

FIREFIGHTER/PARAMEDIC

Santa Barbara County Fire Department (Oct 2005 - Aug 2010)

- Served on engine companies, rescue ambulances, and as a Flight Paramedic at Air Operations/Air Support Unit.
- Certified as an Urban Search and Rescue Technician

FIREFIGHTER/PARAMEDIC

Paso Robles Fire Department (2003 - 2005)

- Responded to all-hazard emergencies (including the San Simon Earthquake)

EDUCATION

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY-NORTHRIDGE

Master's in Public Administration (Est. Completion 2026) - Current GPA 4.0

KAPLAN UNIVERSITY

B.S. in Fire and Emergency Management (2014) - Summa Cum Laude

OXNARD COLLEGE

A.S. in Fire Technology (2009)

PARAMEDIC TRAINING INSTITUTE

Paramedic Studies (2002)

SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

Leadership Certificate Program Cohort #3 (2022)

NATIONAL FIRE ACADEMY

Managing Officer Program (2018)

LOS ANGELES FIRE DEPARTMENT

Leadership Academy (2017)

CERTIFICATIONS

Chief Officer - California State Board of Fire Services

Peace Officer PC832 - California POST Certified

Emergency Medical Technician - California Emergency Services Agency

ICS Roles: Safety Officer Type 3, Division/Group Supervisor, Strike Team Leader, Critical Incident Stress Management (Team Lead), Training Specialist, Field Observer, Serious Accident Response Team -California Incident Command Certification (CICCS)

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Board Member - California 9-1-1 Advisory Board – Governor-appointed and CalChiefs Representative, advising the California Office of Emergency Services on policies, technical and operational standards, training, funding, and statewide 911 projects, including Next Generation 9-1-1. *(2024 - Present)*

Assistant Director - CalChiefs EMS Section - Southern Group – Collaborates with other EMS managers, providers, and historians who advocate for and share best practices in patient care, system management, training, and networking to support fire-based emergency medical services across California. *(2024 - Present)*

Member - CICCIS Task Force – CalChiefs Training Officer Representative, develops, oversees, and establishes statewide qualification and certification criteria for all-hazard incident management positions and administers peer reviews, appeals, and system coordination across local, regional, and state levels. *(2020 - Present)*

Treasurer - CalChiefs Training Officers - Southern Group – Past Secretary, helps organize and promote professional development, networking, and best-practice sharing for California fire department training officers to enhance firefighter education across the state. *(2018 - Present)*

CURRENT INVOLVEMENT

Santa Barbara County Incident Management Team Member

- Served in various ICS roles and responded to numerous wildfires, floods, the Conception Boat Tragedy, and the County's response to the COVID pandemic.

Santa Barbara County Peer Support Team Member

- Founding member and current representative of the Chief Officers.

SubJAC Committee Member

- Serve as a management representative
- Served as a labor representative
- Collaborated in establishing the SBC Fire Apprenticeship program and the Career Development Guide.