



Location, Size & Other Background:

- Located in Fort Worth, Texas at the Tarrant County College Northwest Campus
- 23 acres
- Opened in late 2002

Ownership & Governance:

- Tarrant County College is the single-entity owner and operator
- The College is governed by the publicly-elected Board of Trustees of the Tarrant County College District. The Board has all policy and budget decision-making authority

Capital and O & M Funding:

- Capital – Voter-approved increase in mill levy. Proceeds went into a College infrastructure account. Project was completely funded and constructed for \$17M from that account
- O&M – College budget has operations and maintenance line item. Cost is offset by training center income – primarily tuition fees

Government & Private Sector Entities Served by the Training Center:

- Fire
- Law Enforcement
- Emergency Medical Services
- Occupational Safety & Environmental Technology
- High School District

Programs & Courses Offered at the Training Center:

- Fire Service Training Center – Basic Fire Academy; In-service Fire training (Fire Officer; Driver/Operator; Command & Control; Confined Space Rescue; Fire Instructor; Hazardous Materials; Technical Rescue; Swift Water Rescue)
- Criminal Justice Training Center – Basic Peace Officer Academy; Intoxilyzer certification; Child abuse intervention and training; In-service Law Enforcement training (Property & Evidence Management; Field Training Officer; Crisis Intervention; Use of Force “Internal Affairs Perspective”; State & Federal Law Update)
- EMS – Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) Basic and B; EMT/ Paramedic continuing education
- Occupational Safety & Environmental Technology – Hazardous Waste Operator training; OSHA regulations-Construction; DOT regulations; Safety Program Management
- New vocational program in partnership with the Arlington School District and Arlington Fire Department – Fire academy would train up to 50 junior and senior high school students per year as firefighters and EMT’s

Props & Amenities Located at the Training Center:

- 4 story Fire Training Tower – includes elevator scenario; loading dock and basement scenario with adjoining warehouse area; tractor/trailer live fire prop at loading dock; 3rd floor computer room fire prop
- Disaster City – includes one-story residential with garage fire and kitchen fire prop; two-story residential with attic fire prop
- Shopping Center – includes vent prop on the roof; two burn props
- Small hotel/apartment building
- Outdoor vehicle fire prop; railroad tank cars; propane-fueled spill prop; swift water rescue prop
- Driving track that encompasses the entire site
- Fire Station building
- Criminal Justice Training Center area – pistol range; 3 story building (old fire tower)
- Outdoor covered classroom “rehab sites”
- All live fire props are computer controlled

Outside User Facility Use & Fee Structure:

- College has facility use agreements with some outside organizations; the agreement specifies the rates for use of the various props