Emergency Operations, SOG 285

MUTUAL AID

- 1. Initial responding senior officer shall contact the dispatcher for the agency requesting mutual aid.
- 2. The following information shall be obtained from the requesting agency prior to any equipment leaving the fire station:
 - (1) exact location where equipment and personnel is needed
 - (2) type of equipment and number of personnel needed
 - (3) what radio frequency and who is to be contacted
 - (4) emergency or non-emergency
- 3. Responding personnel shall remain at the fire station until an officer instructs personnel:
 - (1) how many personnel will go
 - (2) what equipment will go
 - (3) who will be in charge
 - (4) one firefighter will remain behind to man the base station
- 4. Remaining personnel will man the station until mutual aid equipment returns to quarters unless so authorized by the officer in charge.
- 5. The officer in charge may choose/or not choose to send equipment or personnel depending upon circumstances in our response area.
- 6. Mutual aid for an aerial apparatus shall be the decision of the incident commander. His decision shall be based on the following:
 - (1) life safety: (rescue).
 - (2) ventilation of roofs.

- (3) elevated water placement.
- (4) rope rescue platform.