



NEWS RELEASE

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Subject: Modjeska Canyon Volunteer Firefighters Recognized

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The Orange County Fire Authority (OCFA) Board of Directors presented a resolution at its March 22 meeting to the Modjeska Canyon Volunteer Firefighters, recognizing them for 60 years of service to the residents of Modjeska Canyon. Receiving the award was Senior Reserve Officer Bruce Newell.

The Modjeska Canyon Volunteer Fire Department was formed in 1947 when it started responding to calls with a Model "A" Ford Truck. Today the firefighters work for the OCFA and serve the residents of Modjeska Canyon with a Fire Engine, Water Tender and Patrol Unit, responding to approximately 60 calls each year.

Not only has the Modjeska Canyon Volunteer Firefighters responded to emergency incidents throughout the years, they have also served their fellow residents by participating in community events, including the annual Easter Pancake Breakfast, annual Fire Explorer Academy, and the Canyon Preparedness Academy.

One of the milestones of the Modjeska Canyon Volunteer Fire Department was the establishment of the Modjeska Volunteer Ladies Auxiliary in 1953. The group was trained in rescue and first aid and responded in a Chevrolet Rescue Squad, ensuring adequate daytime coverage.

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The Orange County Fire Authority is a joint powers authority that serves more than 1.3 million residents in 22 cities and the unincorporated areas of the county.