

PROP #1 FIRE LID LIFT

Maintain, Enhance, Improve

On the November 2022 ballot, Cowlitz 2 Fire & Rescue is requesting to lift the cap on the existing property tax levy rate. This "lid lift" will restore the levy rate to \$1.35 per thousand from \$0.97 per thousand, with up to a 5% annual adjustment. The cost for a \$300,000 home will be about \$9.50 more a month.



LEVY LID LIFT FUNDING WILL:

For more information visit our website or give us a call
www.c2fr.org/lidlift (360)578-5218

Maintain Staffing



- We staff 3 fire stations daily with 13 responders.
- Personnel costs are 68% of annual budget.
- Call volume total has increased by over 1,000 calls in the past few years.
- Increases retention and improves recruitment to maintain our rapid response.

Enhance Training



- Directly affects fire protection class rating which reduces home insurance costs.
- Provides a high level of care for our citizens.
- Increases the skill level of our firefighters.

Improve Infrastructure



- Oldest fire engine is 13 years past suggested lifespan.
- Oldest ambulance is 11 years past suggested lifespan.
- Older buildings need repairs & improvements.
- Provides us with the tools and apparatus to be ready to help our citizens.