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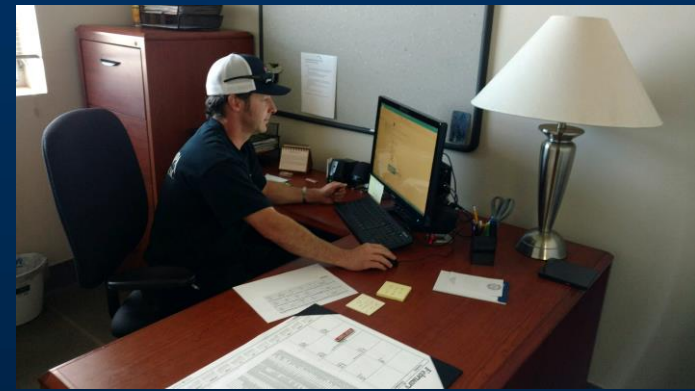
Maricopa Fire/Medical Department

Battalion Safety Officers(BSOs)

"The mission of the Fire Department is to protect the lives and property of the residents, businesses and visitors within the City of Maricopa"

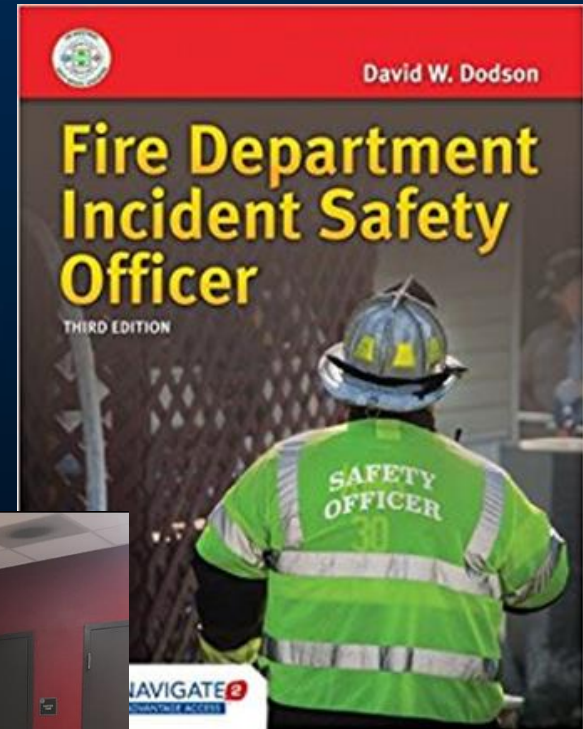
What is a BSO?

- Works directly with the Battalion Chief
- Captain level position
- One assigned to each shift “A-B-C”
- Can be EMT or Paramedic
- Specialized training with a focus on scene safety
- Assists with administrative duties



Why have BSOs?

- NFPA 1521 Fire Department Safety Officer requirement
- Phoenix Auto Aid requirement
- Assist with daily staffing of response units
- Assist with injury prevention and reporting
- Fills in for the BC for consistent supervision
- Serves as a Training Officer



“All Hazards” Emergency Scenes

- Allows the BC to respond to radio traffic, mobile phone calls, computer terminal info, and safe tracking of personnel



- Becomes the “eyes and ears” of the Incident Commander
- Monitors the risk management plan
- Challenges the strategy throughout the incident
- Fills in as the MPD/MFMD Liaison during emergency incidents (active shooter)



Risk Management Model

- WE WILL RISK A LOT, IN A CALCULATED MANNER, TO SAVE SAVABLE LIVES
- WE WILL RISK A LITTLE, IN A CALCULATED MANNER, TO SAVE SAVABLE PROPERTY
- WE WILL RISK NOTHING FOR WHAT IS ALREADY LOST

Designated authority to...

- Alter the current actions
- Suspend actions to justify the risk
- Terminate actions and/or assignments



Basically, the most powerful position on the emergency incident....



Questions?