

The CFA's Experience in OHS Skills Development

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Abstract

Country Fire Authority (CFA) is a large and diverse organisation that has a workforce of both career and volunteer members. The workforce is made up of 59,000 volunteers, 750 support staff and 425 career firefighters with 1240 fire brigades across the state of Victoria. This organisation protects approximately 2.5 million people and attends 61,560 calls for assistance annually. Whilst CFA is seen as providing emergency assistance at fires, car crashes and chemical spills to name a few, the role of this organisation is much larger. Another key area it focuses its attention on preventative strategies within communities to ensure community safety is maintained.

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