
ENCINITAS
RIVER - DIVE
SURF - CLIFF
LIFEGUARD


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OVERVIEW

Marine Safety is a division of the City of Encinitas Fire Department

- STAFF
  - 65 Seasonal Lifeguards on Staff
  - 10 Permanent Lifeguards
    - One Captain
    - Two Lieutenants
    - Five Sergeants (one position added in 2026)
    - Two Senior Lifeguards

- LOCATIONS/VEHICLES
  - Moonlight Beach Headquarters
  - 8 Towers – SWAMIS to GRANDVIEW
  - 4 Lifeguard Trucks
  - 2 UTVs
  - 1 ATV
  - 2 RWCs












386

OPERATIONS

- LIFEGUARD OPERATIONS
  - 365 days / year
  - First Responders / EMTs
  - Code Enforcement
  - Vessel Rescue and Assist
  - 24 Hour Lifeguard Response

















Specialty Rescue

- Cliff
- Swiftwater
- Dive
  - 12 Dive Team Members
  - 12 Aqualung Rapid Dive Units







JUNIOR LIFEGUARDS AND COMMUNITY OUTREACH

- Over 1,600 Participants in our JG program
- We also attend local schools for public education presentations



TRAINING

Training Includes:

1. Specialty Rescue
2. Daily Training – rescue, EMS
3. Professional Development
4. Taskbooks
5. Lifeguard Academy
6. Returning Guard School







STATISTICS – JANUARY 1, 2026 TO DATE

RESCUES	• 1,871 Rescues of 3,408 Victims
SAFETY CONTACTS	• 5,531 Contacts on 31,245 Victims
MEDICAL AIDS	• 1,446 Medical Aids rendered
MISSING PERSONS	• 60 Missing persons reunited
WILDLIFE	• 124 Animals assisted
PUBLIC INFORMATION AND EDUCATION	• 5,060 contacts
ENFORCEMENT CONTACTS	• 13,412 parties (includes bluff safety)







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