



EMS TRANSPORT TO FREE- STANDING EMERGENCY CENTERS NO



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SERIOUSLY?

EMS TRANSPORT TO FREE
STANDING EMERGENCY CENTERS
YES

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OPENING RAY FOWLER INSULT

RAY, YOU KNEE-WALKING
COMMUNE-HUGGING TURKEY



I was taken ill January 23, 2017. Dr. Fowler took the stage and courageously debated this issue with himself. The audience unanimously voted him wrong on both sides of the question

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RAY FOWLER HAS VERY
SMALL HANDS

WHAT IS AN FEC?

- Operational 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.
- Physician and other personnel trained in emergency care present during all hours of operation.
- Integrated into the local EMS system.
- Laboratory, x-ray, and EKG capabilities on site.
- **Transfer agreements** in place with hospitals.

FECs TODAY

Free Standing ECs provide:

- The capabilities and services of full-service emergency rooms
- Guaranteed treatment without the wait of a hospital-based emergency room.
- The convenience of an urgent care center
- The same quality of a hospital emergency service.



WHAT COULD GO WRONG?

1. FECs can't handle Trauma

EMS by pass protocol

2. FECs can't treat strokes

EMS bypass protocol

3. FECs can't treat STEMI's

EMS bypass protocol

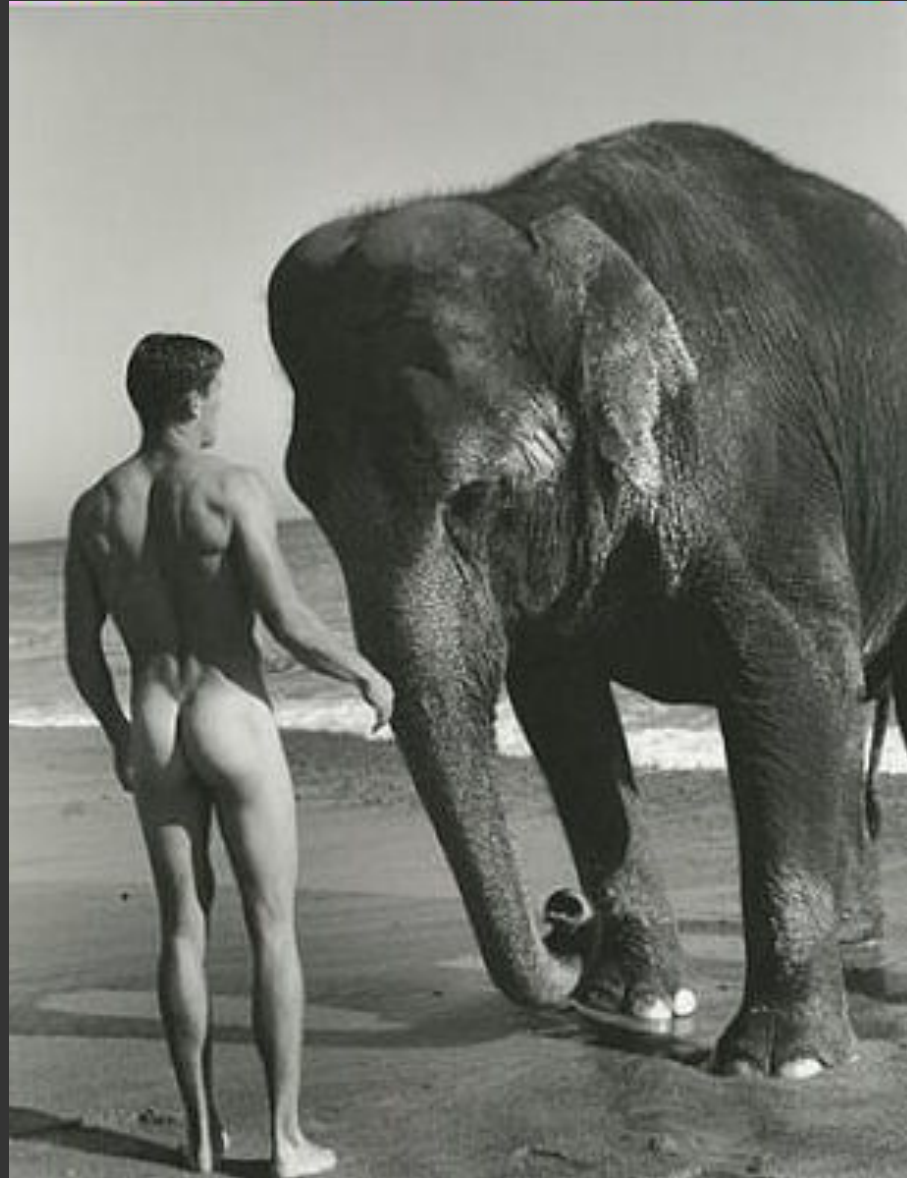
4. FECs can't handle a "burst appendix"

Ever see a surgeon burst into the ED at 0:400 and rush an appy to the OR?

**WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN AN
FEC AND A HOSPITAL ED WITH AN
EMPTY ON-CALL LIST?**

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It's cute, but can it pick up peanuts?



EMS ENVIRONMENT

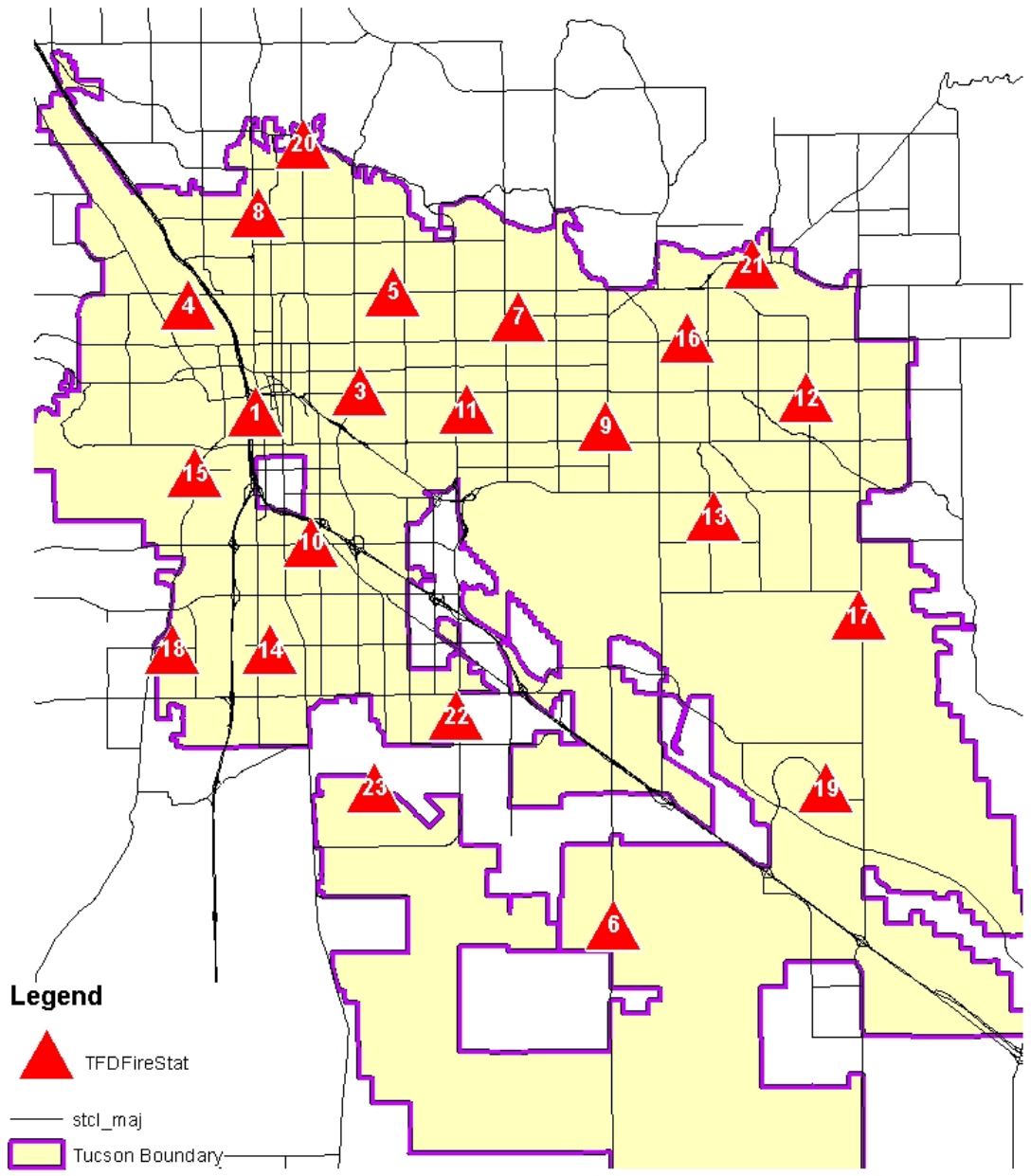
In FY 2016, the Tucson Fire Department responded to over 91,000 calls for service, more than 90 % medical. Like many, our call load increases while our budget remains stagnant.

THE MONEY SHOTS FOR EMS?

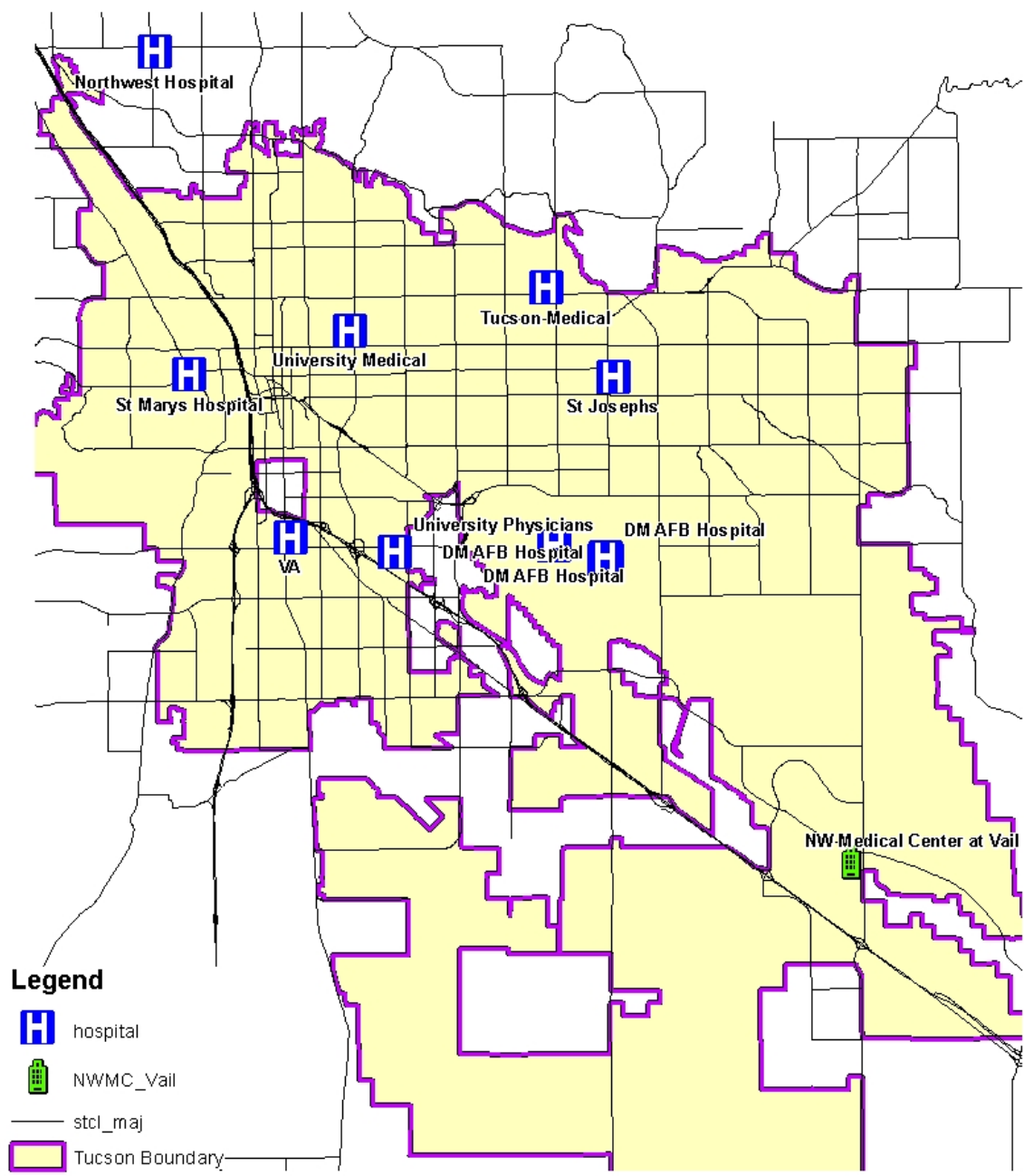
Time out of service

Time out of position

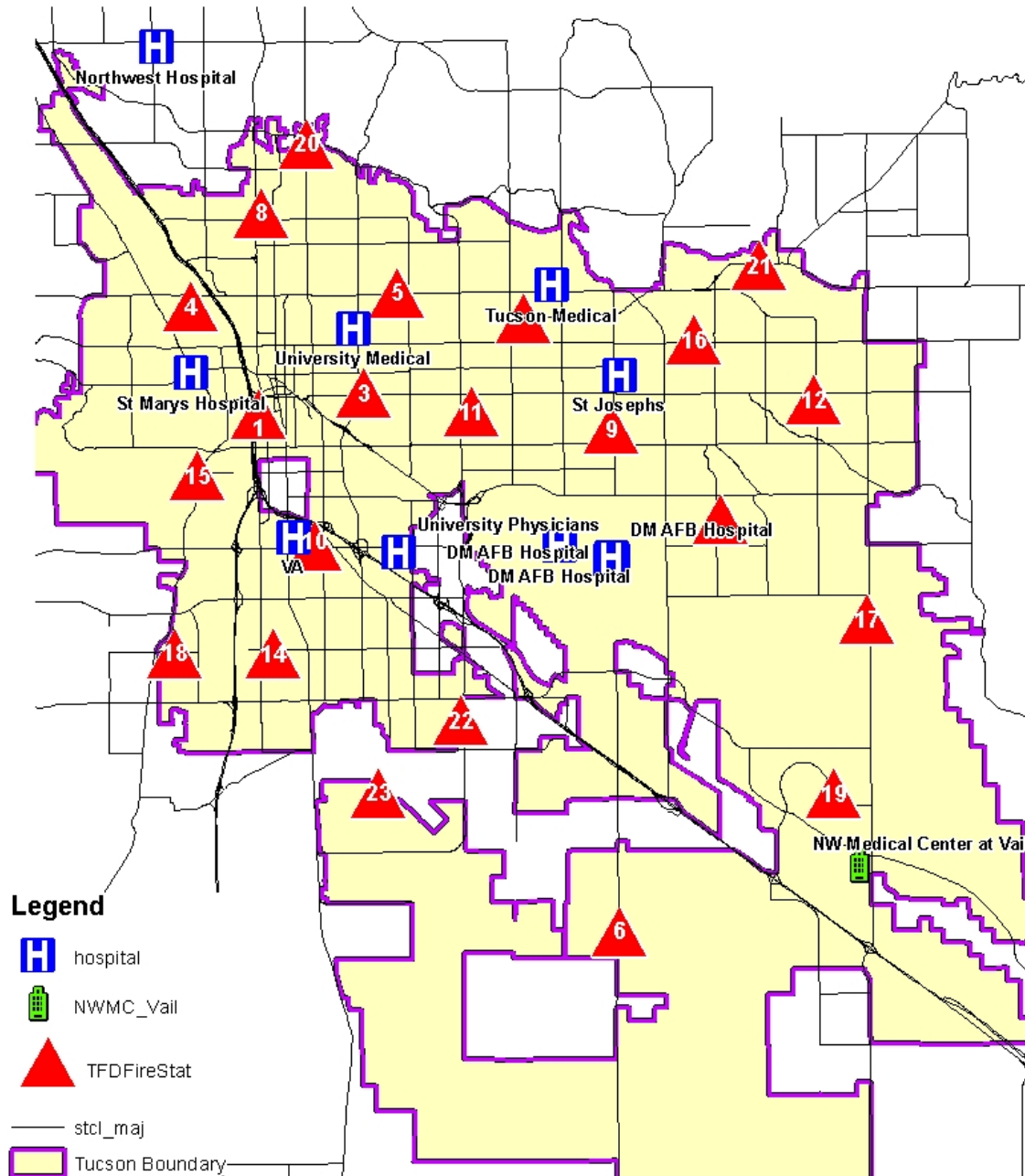
TFD Fire Stations



Hospitals and Medical Centers



Hospitals and TFD Stations



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IT'S TOO EASY



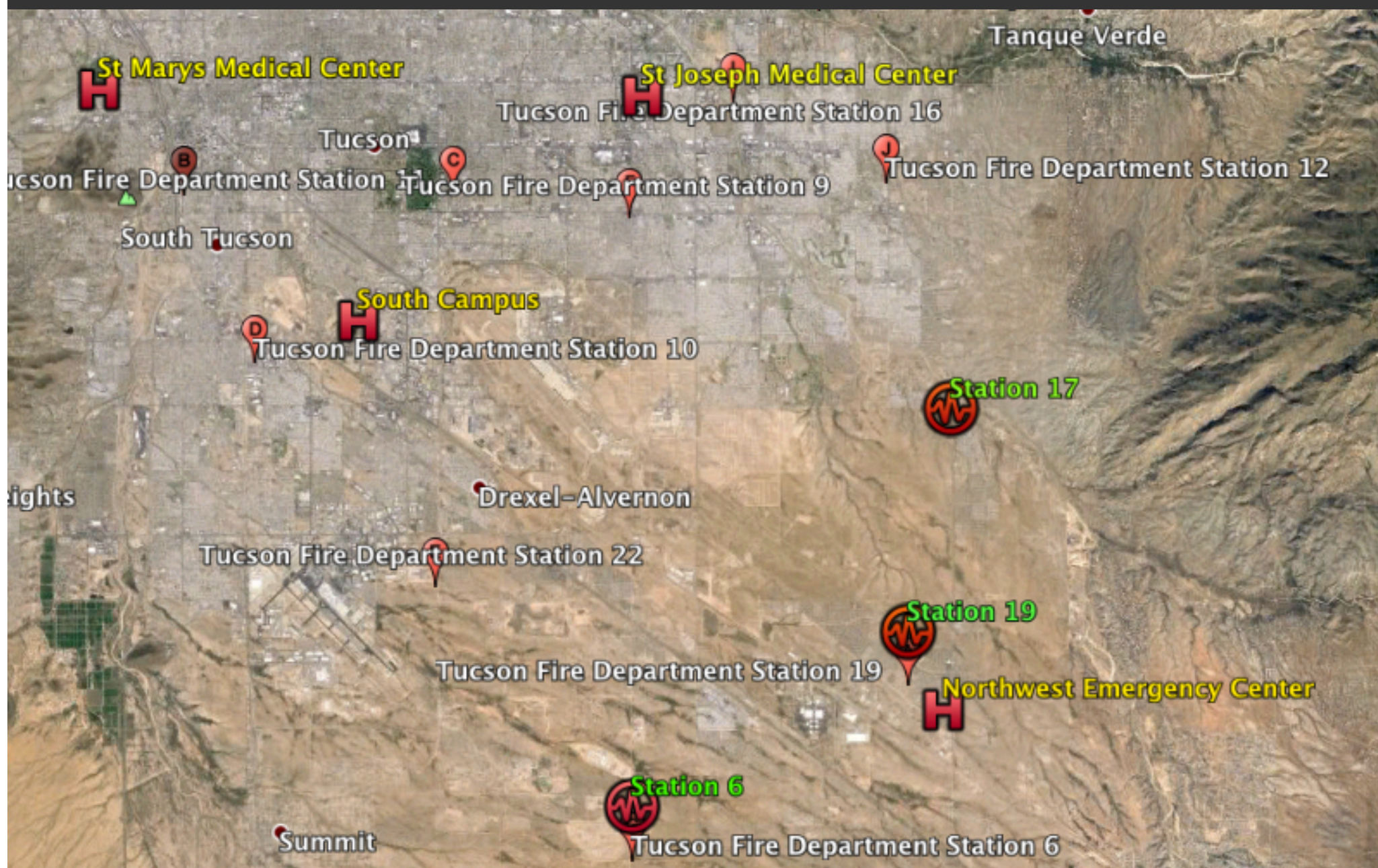
NEW TUCSON FEC

- **Open 24/7**
- **Board-certified Emergency Physicians, Nurse Practitioners and Registered Nurses**
- **Full-service lab**
- **Digital x-ray, CT scan and ultrasound**
- **Complete range of emergency diagnostic services**
- **ER 30-minute pledge**
- **NEC can treat patients with life-threatening conditions:**
 - **Heart attacks**
 - **Strokes,**
 - **Head injuries, fractures, abdominal pain, respiratory issues and more.**
 - **If you need to be admitted to the hospital, need surgery or cardiac catheterization lab intervention, we will stabilize you and transfer you via ambulance to Northwest Medical Center.**

NEW TUCSON FEC

CT scan, digital x-ray and ultrasound capabilities along with lab services.

We treat all patients regardless of their ability to pay. Under the Emergency Medical Treatment and Active Labor Act (EMTALA), NEC will provide a medical screening exam and appropriate stabilizing care.



Tanque Verde

H St Marys Medical Center

H St Joseph Medical Center

Tucson Fire Department Station 16

Tucson Fire Department Station 1

Tucson Fire Department Station 9

Tucson Fire Department Station 12

Tucson

South Tucson

H South Campus

D Tucson Fire Department Station 10

Station 17

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Drexel-Alvernon

Tucson Fire Department Station 22

Station 19

Tucson Fire Department Station 19

H Northwest Emergency Center

Summit

Station 6

Tucson Fire Department Station 6

State of the art
care

FINAL RANDOM RAY FOWLER INSULT

Spanked by DrV again



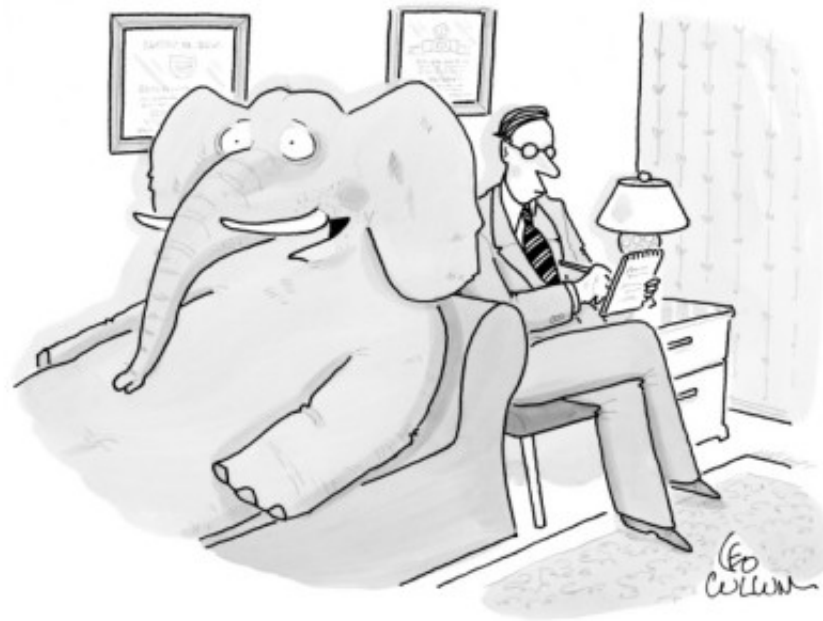




WHAT IS AN FEC?

The FEC must provide appropriate personnel, physical resources, and equipment for safe and effective emergency medical care on a 24 hour, 7 day per week basis.

The FEC is required to enter into a written transfer agreement with at least one local hospital which is equipped with full emergency services. State of Rhode Island 1981



"I'm right there in the room, and no one even acknowledges me."

My New Title



Can metro fire departments afford community health programs?

🕒 3 days ago

Tucson's pilot program is pulling habitual callers out of the system, here's how.

The misalignment between the critical care priorities of yesterday's EMS system and the appeal from constituents for non-emergent, total-person care necessitates a change to our service delivery model. The demand of our communities must be met by the supply side of the equation.



Station 19

Tucson Fire Department Station 19

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