



# SANTA BARBARA COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT

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## NEWS RELEASE

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### - Helicopter Training -

SANTA BARBARA, Ca. January 9, 2012 – On Wednesday, January 11, the Santa Barbara County Fire Department (SBC FD) in conjunction with Santa Barbara Cottage Hospital, will conduct helicopter training.



David Sadecki photo

The training is scheduled between 10 am and 12 noon and will take place at the new hospital facility located on Bath Street in Santa Barbara. The training will consist of two flights with landings on the new hospital heli-pad. Specific flight patterns, communications, and the hospital heli-pad filtering system will be tested.

The addition of the new heli-pad eliminates to need to transfer a patient from a nearby junior high school, providing timelier service to the patient.

The SBC FD helicopter delivers rescue and medevac advanced life support service to the citizens of Santa Barbara County. The helicopter flies with trained firefighter / paramedics that provide ocean rescue, swift water rescue, cliff rescue, and mountain rescue. The helicopter is equipped with a rescue hoist and has night vision goggles for 24 hour service.

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