



# NEWS FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

[GlendaleAZ.com/Fire](http://GlendaleAZ.com/Fire)

## Glendale Fire Department

6829 North 58th Drive / Glendale, Arizona 85301

623-930-4400



May 4, 2016

## **GLENDALE FIREFIGHTER BECOMES TECHNICAL RESCUE TECHNICIAN**

**Glendale, Ariz.** — Glendale Firefighter Courtney Dunlap has completed specialized training to become a member of the fire department's Technical Rescue Team. Dunlap will receive his certification on Friday, May 6, at the Phoenix Fire Training Academy Special Operations Facility.

Firefighter Dunlap spent five weeks in training that included 200 hours of classroom and field experience. The addition of one trained technician brings the Glendale Fire Department Technical Rescue Team to 45 members. All members receive training in rope rescue, tree rescue, structural collapse, trench rescue, confined space rescue and swift water rescue.

The opportunity to certify one more Technical Rescue Technician was possible after the fire department was awarded a grant from the Department of Homeland Security's Urban Area Security Initiatives (UASI). There were zero costs incurred by the City of Glendale to train the newest member of the Technical Rescue Team.

Each year there are dozens of technical rescue responses in Glendale and the surrounding region. The Technical Rescue Team, assigned to fire station 159, located at 17159 North 63 Avenue, could be utilized to assist with incidents involving stranded hikers; victims stuck in an overflowing wash or a canal, or victims trapped in a collapsed building.

For more information regarding Glendale Fire Department's Special Operations units, please visit <http://www.glendaleaz.com/fire/SpecialOps.cfm>

###