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# PARK FOREST FIRE DEPARTMENT 2021 ANNUAL REPORT



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### MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF

The men and women of the Park Forest Fire Department are excited to present the 2021 Annual Report to our community. This report provides a snapshot of our work over the past year.

Over the past twelve months, the department experienced many changes and challenges which our staff overcame with the highest level of professionalism. I don't think any of us realized the impact the COVID-19 health crisis and the new variants would have not only in our professional lives, but in our personal lives as well. I would like to take a moment to remember all of those that have fallen and those that have been impacted by the on-going pandemic. Please know we are all in this together, and I truly believe we will all get through this together. I would also like to say thank you to all of the partnerships that have developed during these trying times, and I can say without a doubt the South Cook County Region should be very proud of the cooperation and teamwork all of us have given to try and make our area a better place. We have seen partnerships in Law Enforcement, Fire, EMS, School Districts, Hospitals, and cities go above and beyond. I want to thank all of them for their commitment and support.

While the on-going pandemic continued to dominate the news in 2021, the Fire Department continued to be challenged to provide emergency services through these unusual times. In fact, for the fourth consecutive year, the Park Forest Fire Department saw its highest call volume in department history. This trend started prior to the pandemic in 2018. To illustrate the growth in call volume you can look back on historical benchmarks and you will see the trend. In 2001 the department responded to a total of 2462 calls. In 2011, a total of 2871 calls. And in 2021, the department responded to a total of 4733 calls for assistance.

In order to meet this increased call volume, Department administration collaborated with the Village management team to develop and institute a plan to increase on duty personnel. The plan included a department restructuring with the addition of the rank of Shift Commander. This new position took on some administrative duties, while remaining on shift to answer calls. This allowed the department to eliminate a day-time administrative position. The plan also moved a day time Lieutenant to shift to increase staffing. The last piece of the plan came in the form of a Safer Grant from FEMA. This grant provides funding for two new firefighters for three years. In all, this increased the number of shift members from 7 to 8 and the the minimum daily staffing from 5 to 6.

As the Fire Chief, I am extremely proud to be part of this community. We believe Park Forest to be a very special place that values the concept of community involvement. As the world and our community have struggled to regain some normalcy in our lives, I am proud of how our department, the village staff and our citizens have responded to these unusual events these past few years. I've watched our department members make the extra effort to check on each other and to assist our community and citizens during these unsettling times. We truly are a family and do our best to take care of each other and our community. We invite you to read the information and reach out if you have questions or comments. We look forward to our future and interacting with our fellow community members.

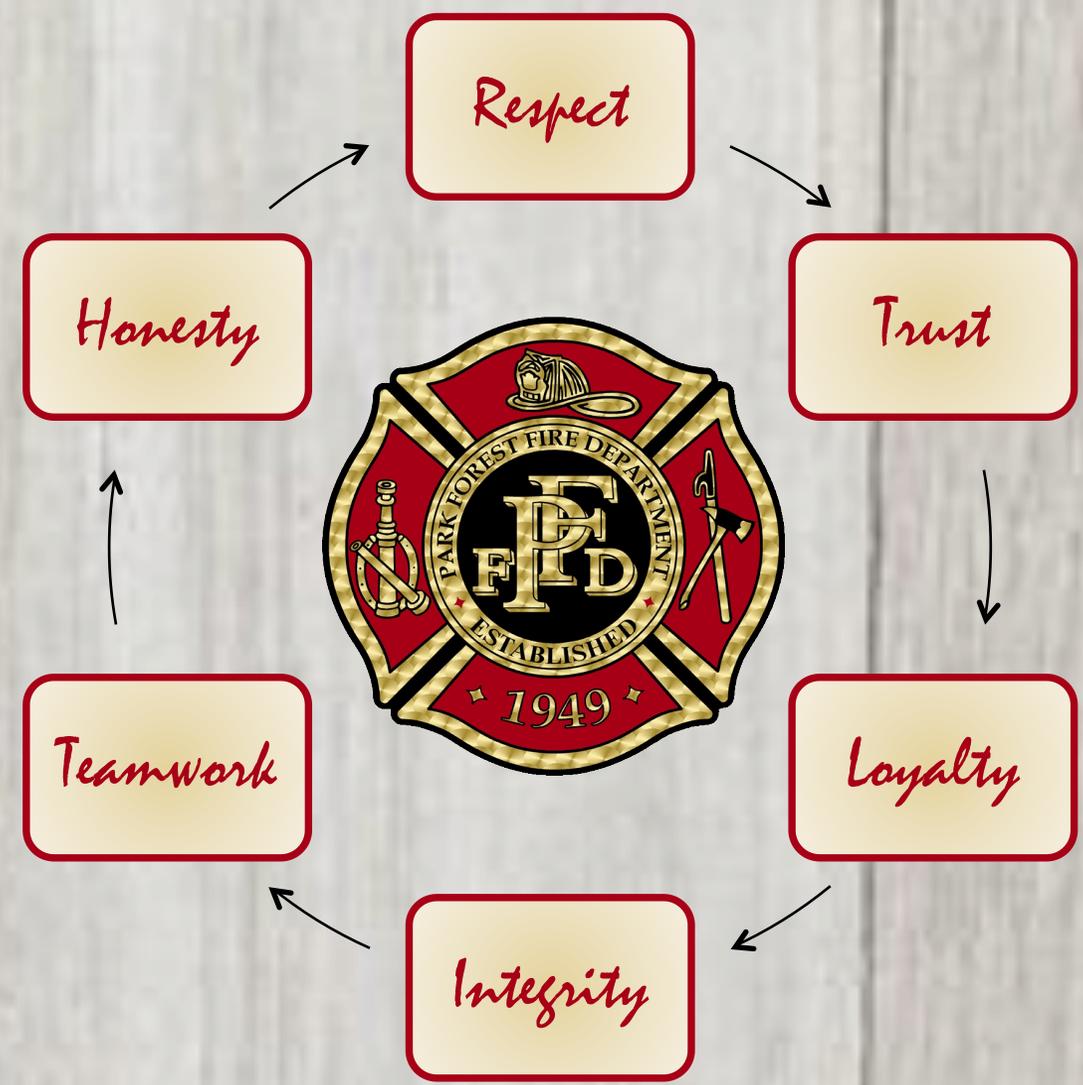


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### CORE VALUES





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Park Forest  
Live Grow Discover

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The men and women of the Park Forest Fire Department are professional, highly trained and skilled individuals dedicated to serving the citizens of Park Forest by protecting lives and property from the adverse effects of fire, medical emergencies, and hazardous conditions.

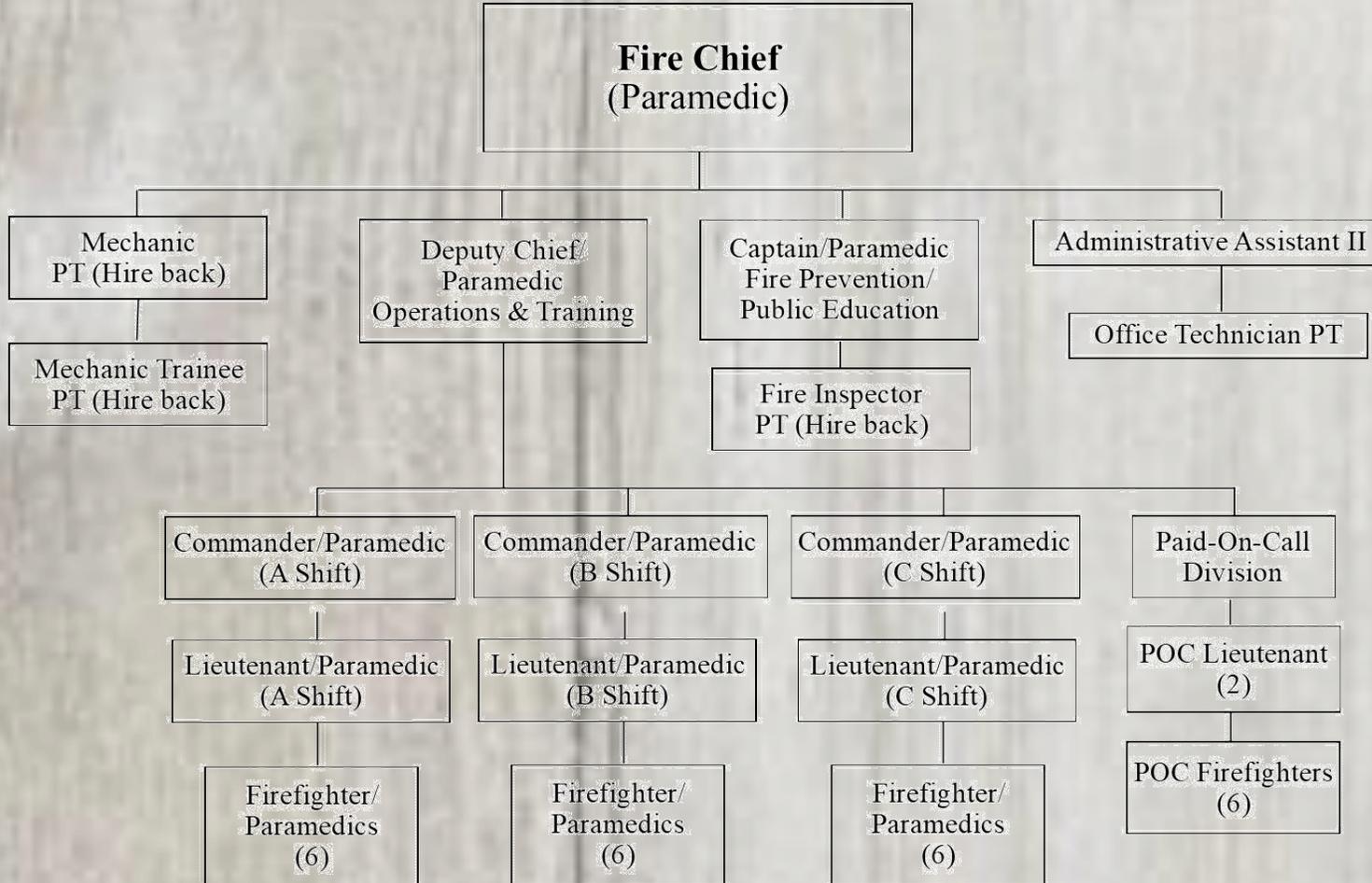


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### DEPARTMENT OVERVIEW



The Park Forest Fire Department is a combination service department, employing career and paid on call personnel. The career division is made up of 29 members including the Fire Chief, Deputy Fire Chief, Fire Prevention Captain, one full-time Administrative Assistant, one part-time Office Technician & 24 shift members. The paid on call division currently has 8 members.



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No history of the Fire Department would be complete without mentioning its darkest moment.

On February 8, 1963 the Department recorded its only "Line of Duty Death".

Adolph "Shorty" Pfeifer sustained fatal injuries in a fall while fighting a fire at a commercial building under construction.

In honor of "Shorty's" ultimate sacrifice, the Department dedicated its

Training Site in his memory on October 2, 1965.

Over 56 years later, this facility is still in use training a new generation of firefighters, and remains a tribute to our fallen comrade.

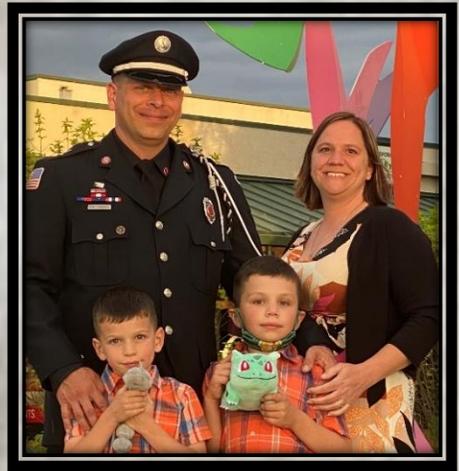


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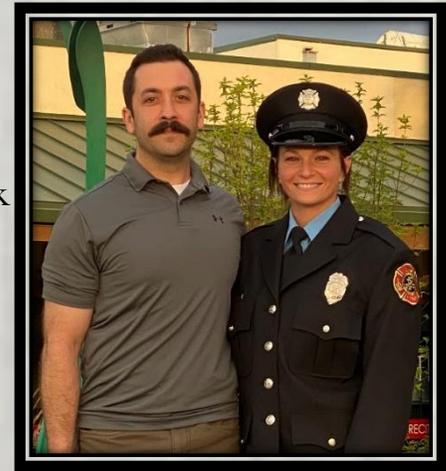


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### 2021 HIGHLIGHTS



**PROMOTIONS/NEW HIRES**  
Lieutenant/Paramedic Taylor Bordewyk  
Lieutenant/Paramedic Tyler Triemstra  
Firefighter/Paramedic Jori Boren  
Firefighter/Paramedic Jacob Chavez



**RETIREMENT**  
July 9, 2021: Deputy Chief Ryan Roberts retired after more than 25 years of service.



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### MILESTONE SERVICE AWARDS

Bill Kennedy  
35 Years of Service



Ed Wright  
20 Years of Service



Tyler Triemstra & Kevin Grove  
Brian Rimkus & Joel Stanford (not pictured)  
10 Years of Service



Bess Vlahakis  
5 Years of Service





### 2021 AWARD CEREMONY



Shift Commander  
Mark Cotrano  
2020

Firefighter of the Year



#### Park Forest Fire Department 2020 Award Recipients

##### Meritorious Commendation (Blue)

This award will be presented to those individuals or units who performed and exhibited exceptional skills in a coordinated action.

- ◆ S. Krivanec, K. Meredith
- ◆ S. Dees, P. Hisel, K. Grove, C. Lopez, E. Vlahakis
- ◆ S. Dees, K. Grove, P. Hisel, C. Lopez, E. Wright, E. Vlahakis

##### Unit Citation (Red/White/Red)

This award will be presented to a unit that exhibited exceptional professional skill and conduct during a coordinated action with personal risk on an emergency incident.

- ◆ J. Baum, M. Cotrano, N. Grove, T. Marconi, D. Sparks, E. Wright
- ◆ W. Brei, S. Dees, K. Grove, C. Lopez, M. Paradise
- ◆ J. Baum, K. Grove, N. Grove, C. Lopez, J. Spanier, E. Vlahakis
- ◆ S. Dees, K. Grove, P. Hisel, P. Myers, M. Paradise, T. Triemstra

##### Life Saving Medal (Blue/Red)

An award given to a member of the Department for an act in which the life of another is saved.

- ◆ R. Miller, D. Sparks
- ◆ S. Krivanec, N. Marconi, K. Meredith, J. Spanier, T. Triemstra
- ◆ W. Brei, T. Bordewyk, S. Krivanec, K. Meredith, C. Murdoch, J. Spanier
- ◆ W. Brei, T. Bordewyk, C. Murdoch, P. Myers, D. Sparks
- ◆ W. Brei, N. Marconi, K. Meredith, C. Murdoch, J. Spanier, T. Triemstra
- ◆ T. Bordewyk, S. Krivanec, N. Marconi, K. Meredith,
- ◆ C. Murdoch
- ◆ S. Dees, K. Grove, W. Kennedy, C. Lopez, N. Marconi, M. Paradise
- ◆ T. Bordewyk, S. Dees, N. Grove, T. Marconi, P. Myers, T. Natyshok
- ◆ S. Dees, P. Hisel, N. Marconi

##### Firefighter of the Year (Red/White/Blue/White/Red)

This award will be presented to the Firefighter who best exemplifies by his/her performance the principles and purposes of the fire service and the Park Forest Fire Department. The Committee, when considering nominees shall review the record of the nominee with special attention given to the preceding year.

- ◆ Mark Cotrano



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9-11-2001

### 20<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY REMEMBRANCE



**WE WILL NEVER FORGET**





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# Special EVENTS

### 70th Annual Illinois Fire Chiefs Association Conference & Installation Banquet



Retired Fire Chief Bruce Ziegler received the honor of Fire Chief Emeritus.

We were proud to be there to support him as he received this well deserved recognition.





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*Special*  
**EVENT**

**4<sup>TH</sup> OF JULY PARADE**





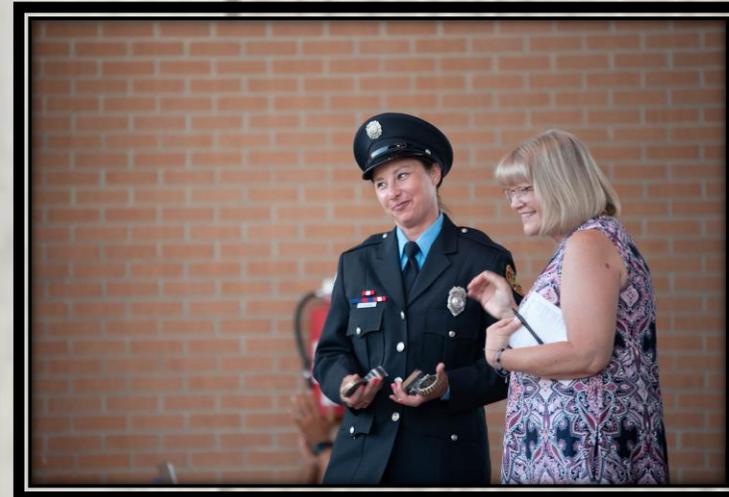
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Each year at their graduation ceremony, the Prairie State College Fire Academy presents the “Chief Ron A. Winterstein Instructor Award” to one of the instructors.

Congratulations to our very own Firefighter/Paramedic Bess Vlahakis who was the recipient of this award.





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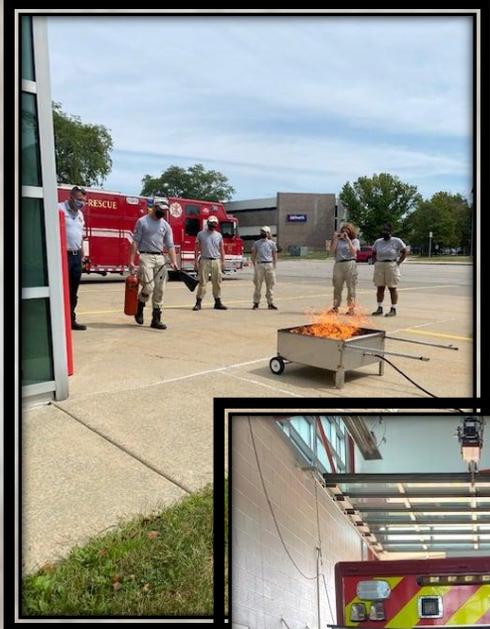
The Park Forest Fire Department is proud to support the South Suburban Humane Society.





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AmeriCorps NCCC team learning a few firefighting and EMS skills.



The AmeriCorps team completed a variety of service projects in Park Forest over the summer. The Fire Department wanted to do something to thank them for their service to the Village and wish them well in their future adventures.





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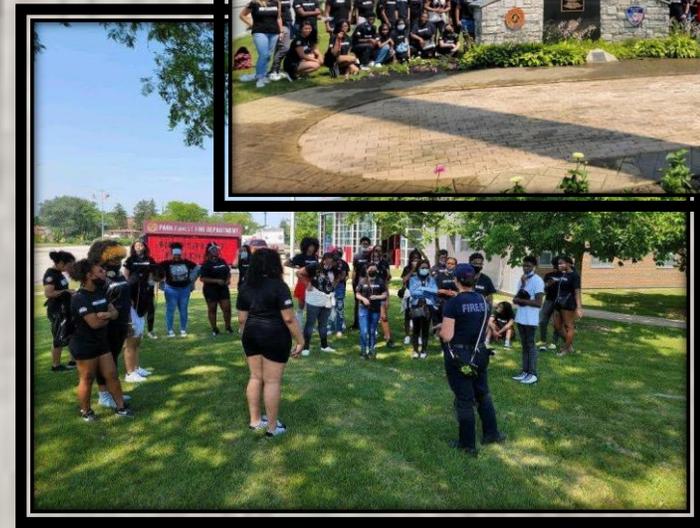
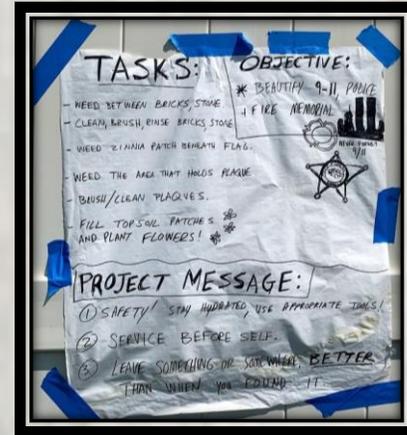
On July 6, the Park Forest Fire Department was honored to host participants from Rich Township High School's International Baccalaureate Middle Years Program (MYP) for their "community day".

These students strive to be caring members of the community who demonstrate a commitment to service & making a positive difference in the lives of others and to the environment.

Students worked hard and successfully cleaned, weeded and planted flowers at the Park Forest Fire and Police Memorial Site which commemorates those who have served the Village of Park Forest Public Safety Departments and pays special tribute to those who made the ultimate sacrifice in the line of duty.

The site also pays tribute victims of the September 11, 2001 tragedy.

The students did a wonderful job and the members of the PFFD are proud of you and thank you for your hard work.





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**Michelle Obama School of Technology and the Arts**  
*Where #REALPatriotsRISE*

**BACK TO SCHOOL Celebration**

**AUGUST 27 | 5-7PM**

**SAVE THE DATE!**  
 MOSVIP@SD163.COM | 708-668-9600  
 530 LAKEWOOD BLVD, PARK FOREST, IL 60466

**Let's RE-CONNECT Families, Faculty, Staff, & Community Partners**

Dr. Timothy Craddock, Principal  
 Mrs. Kristin Foster, Principal of Climate, Culture, & the Arts  
 Mr. TJ Lee, Assistant Principal





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**Q. What are the requirements to become a full-time Park Forest Firefighter/Paramedic?**

**A. You must be a certified paramedic, pass a physical and background check and be less than 35 years old.**

**Q. What does it cost to get the required training?**

**A. The Park Forest Fire Department offers internship opportunities that pay for all required training.**

**Q. How do I get into the internship program?**

**A. The first step is to fill out an application to become a volunteer. Once you become a volunteer, the Department will sponsor and pay for your fire academy training. After successful completion of the fire academy, you will become a Paid On Call Member of the department. As a POC you can work one 12 hour shift per week.**

**Q. How do I become a paramedic?**

**A. Once you've become a POC and have completed 7 shifts, the Department will sponsor you for EMT-B training. Once you've passed the EMT-B course and become a state certified EMT-B, you would need to work 12 additional shifts before the department will sponsor you for the EMT-P class.**



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**Citizen Complaints:** In 2021, the Fire Department began to track citizen complaints. All complaints that included any allegation of misconduct, poor job performance, breach of duty, or violation of policy or procedures are investigated by administration and each case is closed with one of the following dispositions:

**Unfounded** - when the investigation discloses the alleged acts did not occur or did not involve a department member.

**Exonerated** - when the investigation discloses the alleged acts occurred but the act was justified, lawful and or proper.

**Not Sustained** - when the investigation discloses there is insufficient evidence to sustain the complaint or fully exonerate the member.

**Sustained** - when the investigation discloses sufficient evidence to establish the act occurred and it constituted misconduct.

<b>PARK FOREST FIRE DEPARTMENT CITIZEN COMPLAINTS</b>					
<b>YEAR</b>	<b>TOTAL COMPLAINTS</b>	<b>OUTCOME</b>			
		<b>UNFOUNDED</b>	<b>EXONERATED</b>	<b>NOT SUSTAINED</b>	<b>SUSTAINED</b>
2021	2			2	



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### Incident

Community member has an emergency.



### Call

Community member calls 911.



### Call Processed

911 Center processes the call.



### Dispatch

911 Operator dispatches the correct unit.



### Travel

Time from when the unit starts moving to arrival on scene.



### Turnout

Time from when the unit is dispatched to when the crew is dressed and in vehicle

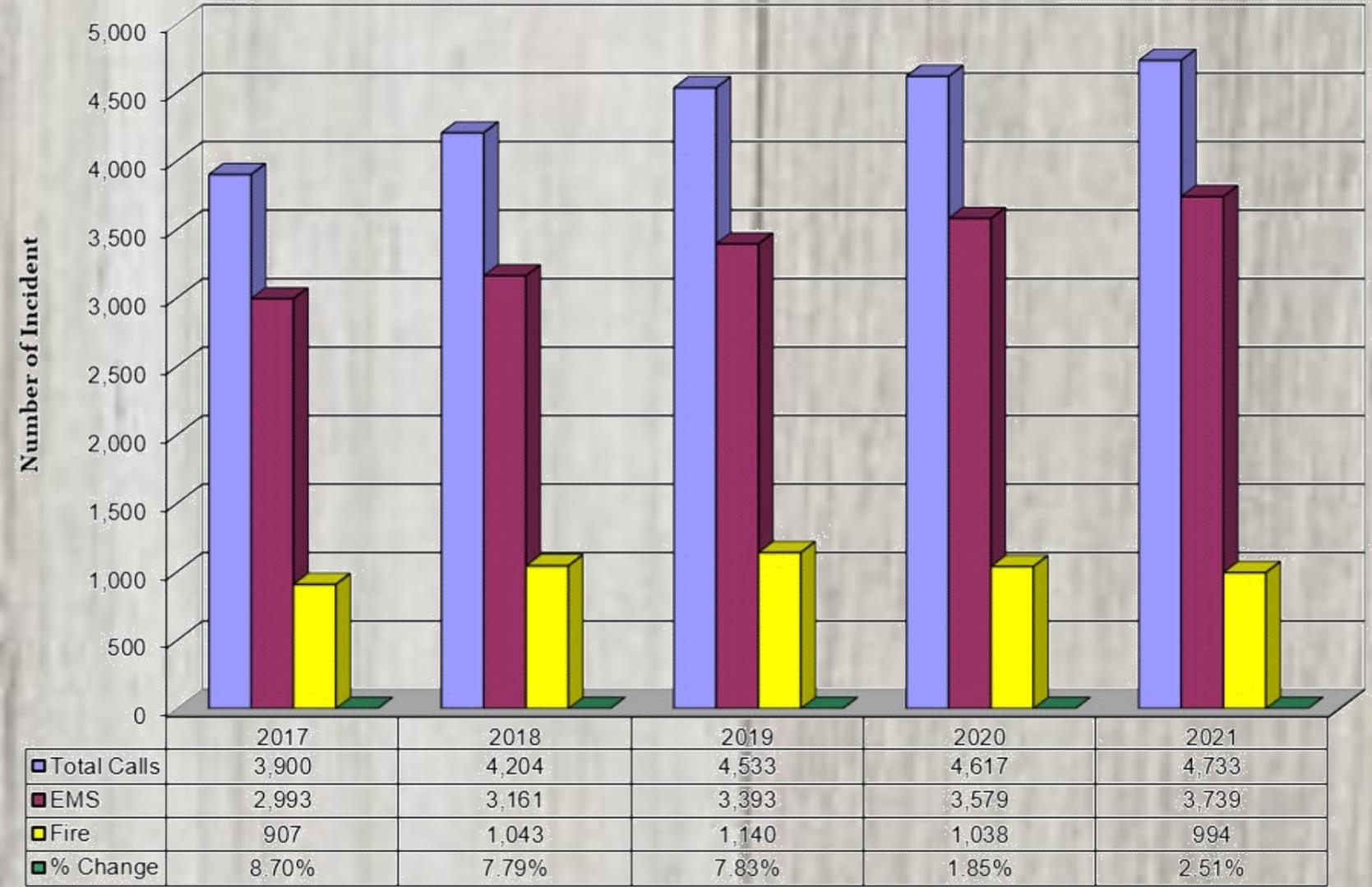


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**ALARM  
ACTIVITY  
BY  
CALENDAR  
YEAR**



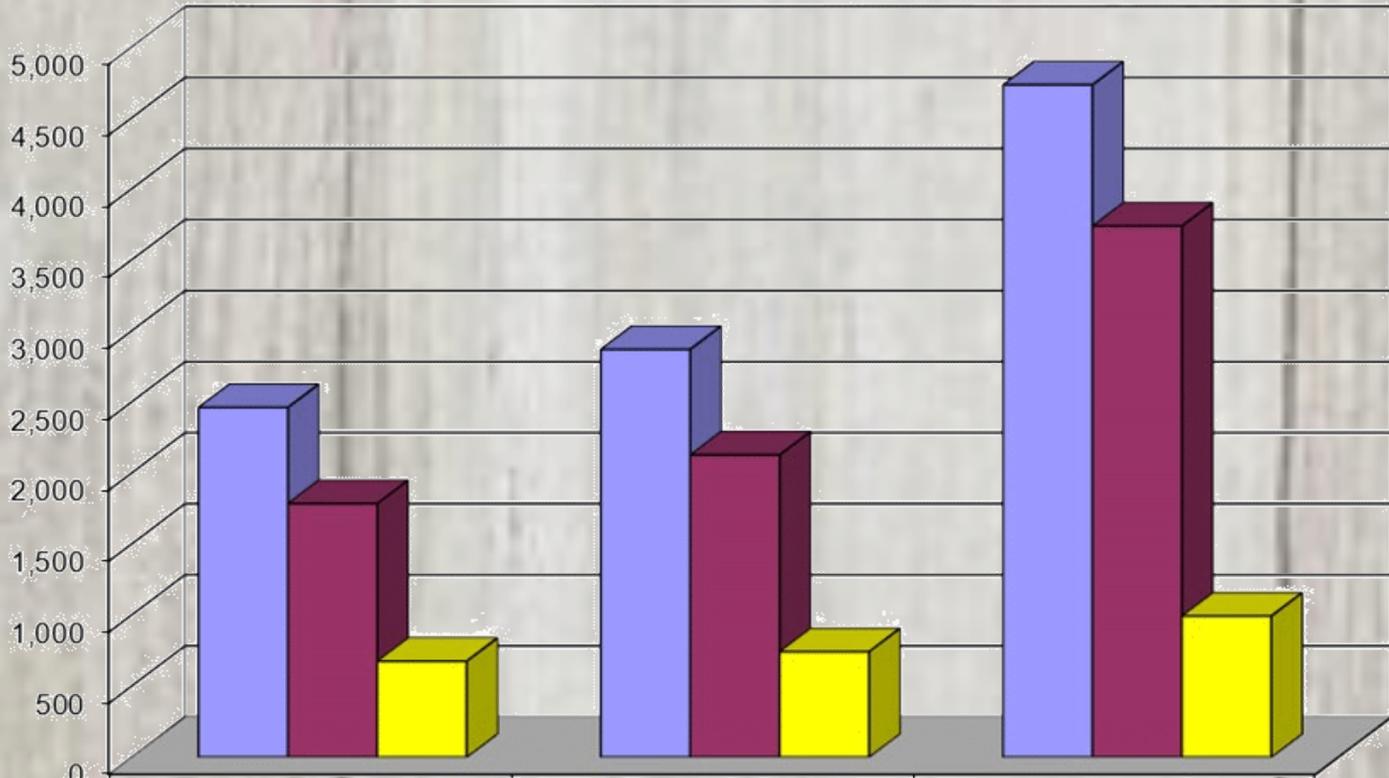


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Number of Incident



	2001	2011	2021
Total Calls	2,462	2,871	4,733
EMS	1,786	2,128	3,739
Fire	676	743	994

**ALARM  
ACTIVITY  
BY  
CALENDAR  
YEAR  
20 YEAR  
COMPARISON**

Note: Fire Department Staffing remained the same from 2001 to 2011 (7 members per shift with 5 person minimum staffing daily). In 2021, thanks to a grant, we were finally able to increase staffing to 8 members per shift with 6 person minimum staffing daily. Call volume increased 92% from 2001 to 2021 and 65% from 2011 to 2021.



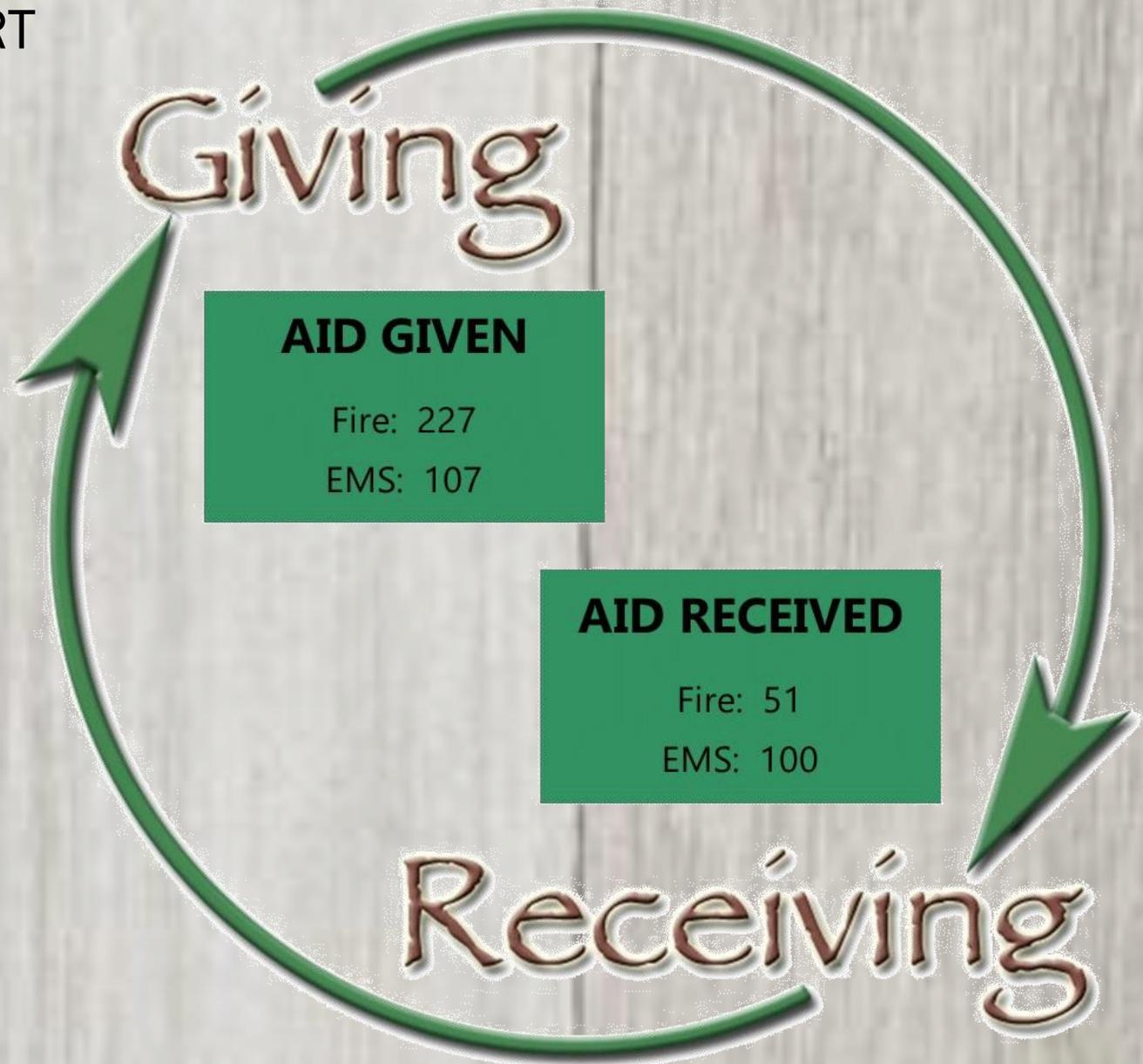
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**MUTUAL/  
AUTOMATIC  
AID ACTIVITY  
BREAKDOWN**

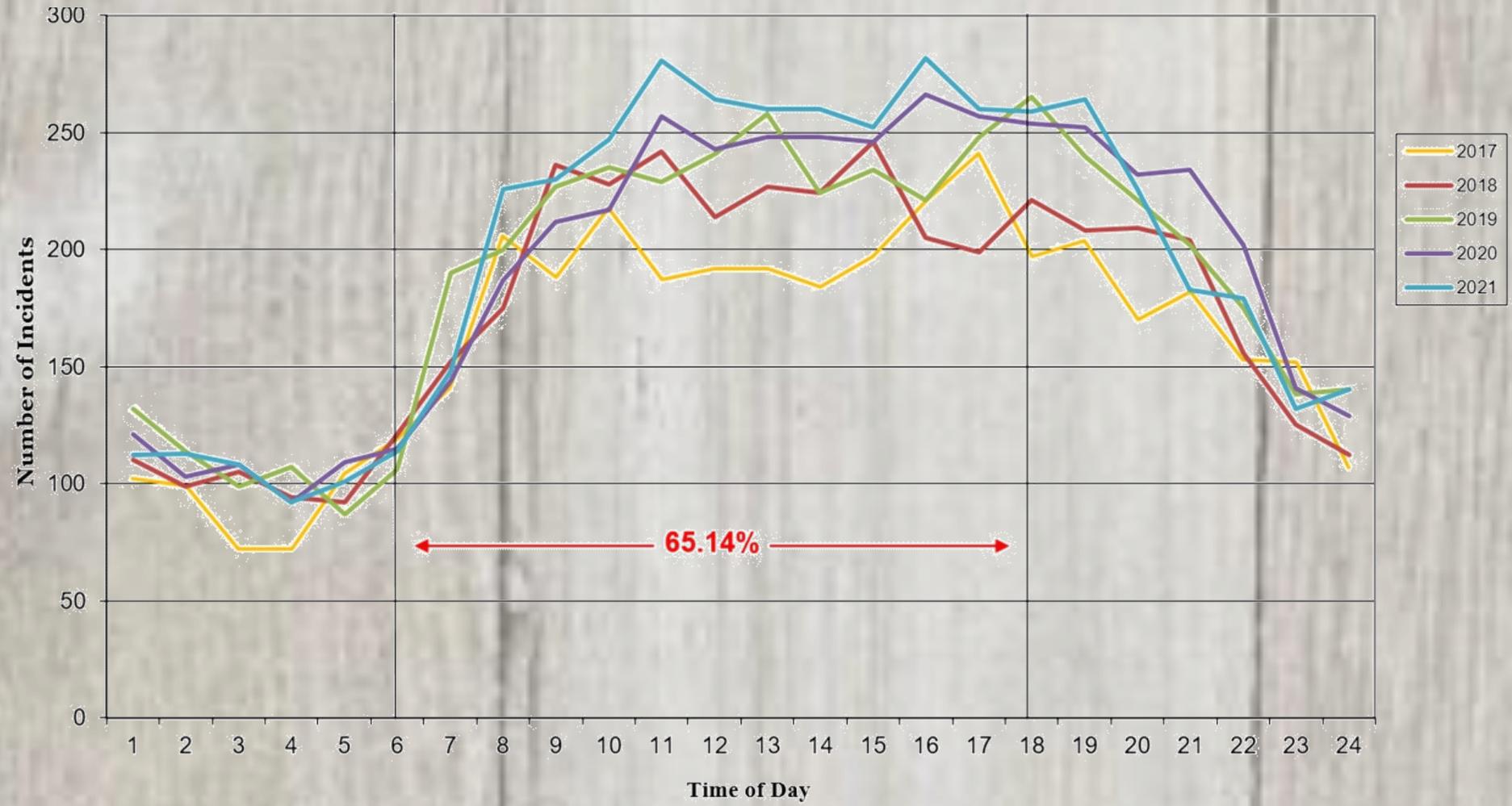
**TOTAL AID  
485**





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**ALARM  
ACTIVITY  
BY  
TIME  
OF  
DAY**

65.14% of our call volume occurs during the time period of 6 a.m. - 6 p.m. This is the time frame where our Paid On Call Division has limited or no availability due to their full-time job commitments.



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**ALARM  
ACTIVITY  
BY  
MONTH**





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**4,733  
CALLS FOR SERVICE**



**RECORD SETTING  
YEAR**



**994  
TOTAL  
FIRE  
RESPONSES**

**2021 CALL VOLUME  
AT-A-GLANCE**



**3,739  
TOTAL  
EMS  
RESPONSES**

**BUSIEST  
DAY OF THE WEEK  
FRIDAY  
716 CALLS**



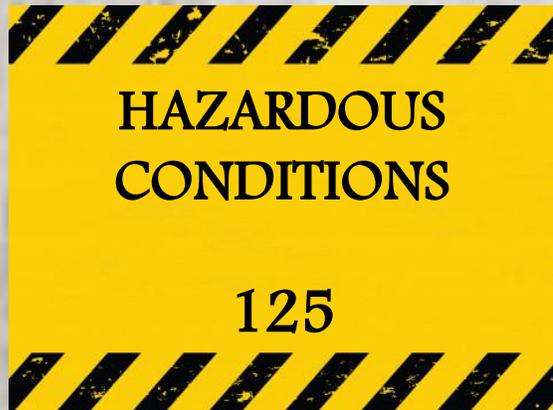
**BUSIEST  
MONTH OF THE YEAR  
NOVEMBER  
441 CALLS**



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**994 FIRE CALLS**





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**COOKING FIRES ~ 6**



**VEHICLE FIRES ~ 6**



**STRUCTURE FIRES ~ 44**

### **FIRE CALLS BREAKDOWN**



**RUBBISH FIRES ~ 16**



**OTHER FIRES**

1



**GRASS FIRES ~ 5**



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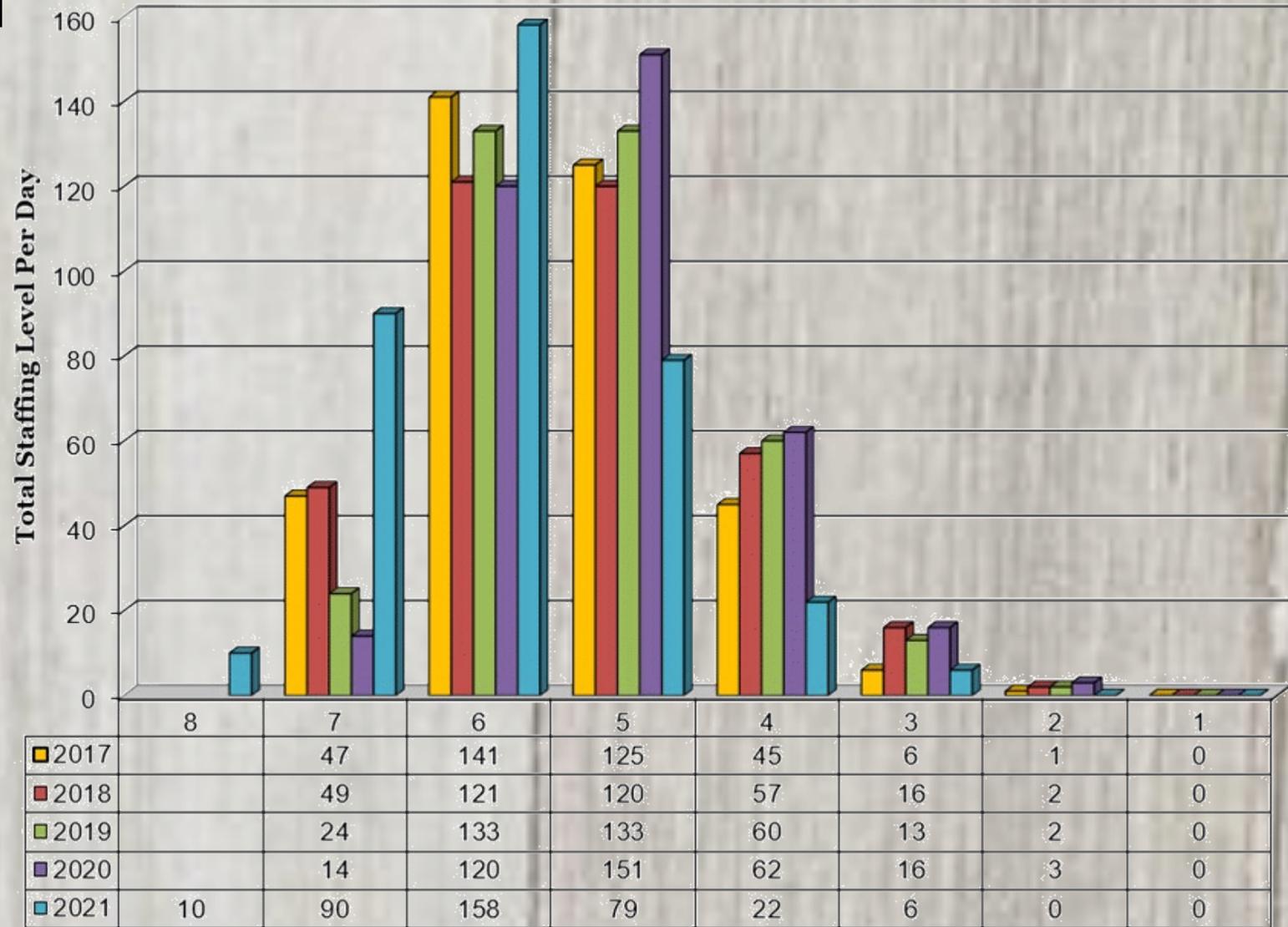
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### DAILY STAFFING LEVELS

The daily minimum staffing level has been at 5 since the late 1990s. In 2021, thanks to a SAFER Grant, we were able to increase shift staffing from 7 to 8 and daily minimum staffing from 5 to 6.

On any day where there are less than 6 shift members present, the department is required to pay overtime to bring the minimum staffing level to 6.

In 2021 this occurred 107 times; an increase of 26 occurrences over the 81 in 2020.

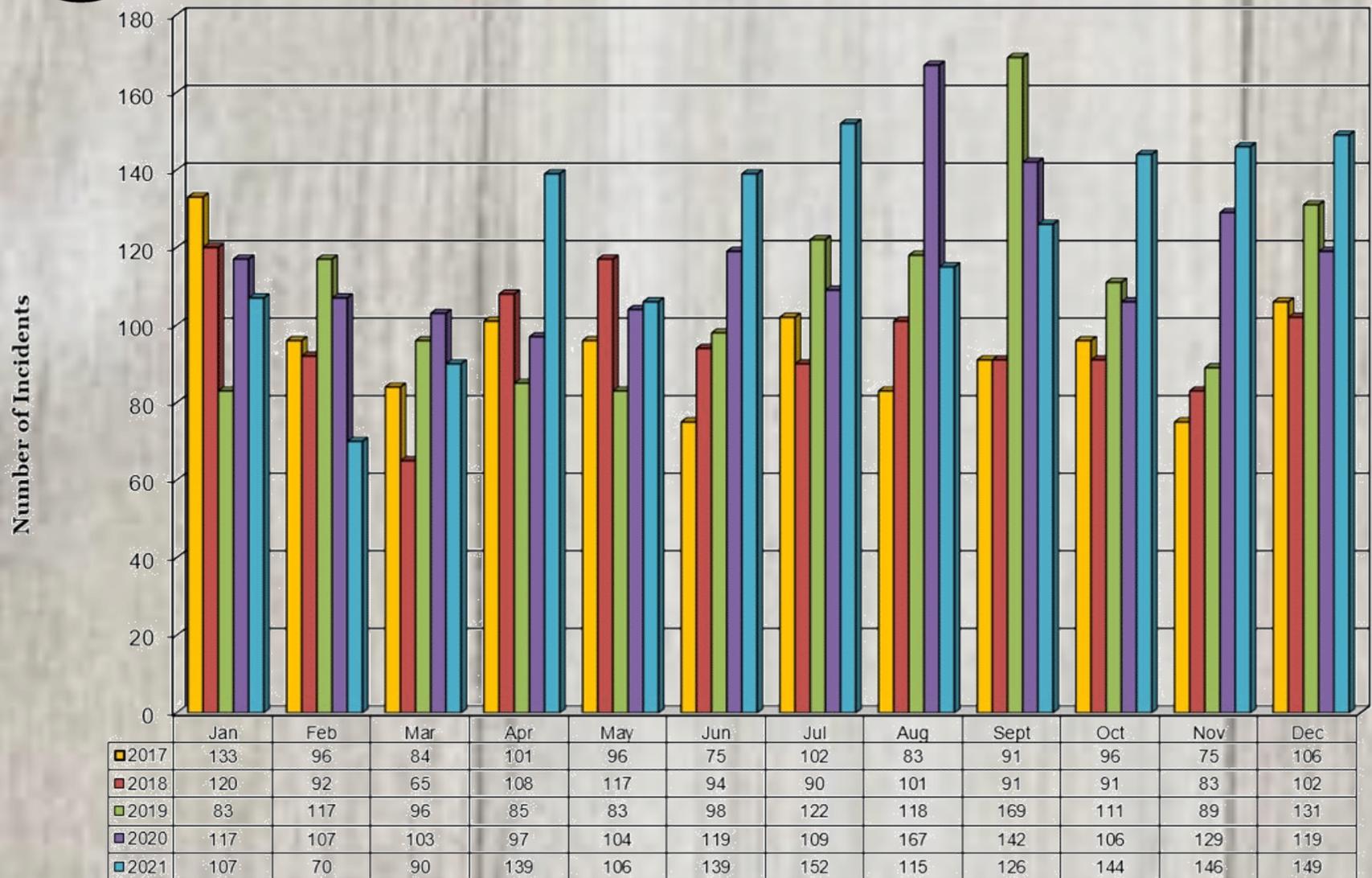


Shift Personnel on Duty Per Day



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**CONCURRENT  
CALLS  
BY MONTH  
1,483 INCIDENTS**

Of the 4,733 incidents the fire department responded to in 2021, 1,483 of them (or 31.3%) were concurrent/overlapping calls.

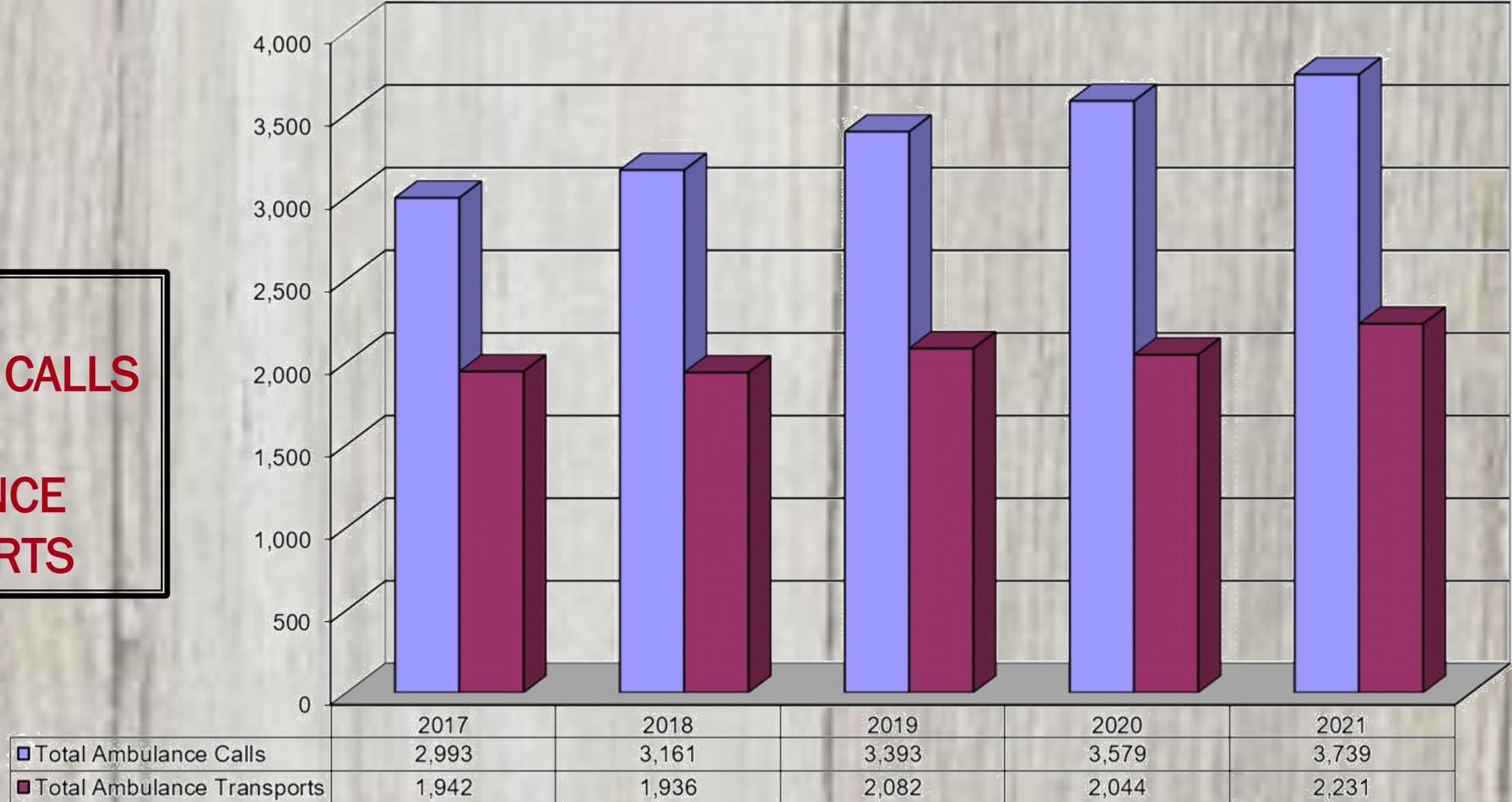


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**TOTAL  
AMBULANCE CALLS  
VS.  
AMBULANCE  
TRANSPORTS**



Note: 59.7% of the total ambulance calls resulted in the transportation of a patient to the emergency room.



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**AMBULANCE TRANSPORTS BREAKDOWN**

PSYCHIATRIC  
159

MOTOR VEHICLE  
ACCIDENT ~ 68

CARDIAC  
108

**MEDICAL  
EMERGENCY**  
1536  
CALL 911

P  
R  
E  
G  
N  
A  
N  
C  
Y  
10

CHEMICAL ABUSE  
18

TRAUMA  
25

ACCIDENTS ~ 84

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H  
E  
R  
  
223



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### Which hospitals will the Park Forest Fire Department transport to?

**By ordinance, the only hospital the Park Forest Fire Department is authorized to transport patients to is Franciscan Health Olympia Fields.**

### When should I call 9-1-1 for an ambulance?

**When there is any life-threatening illness or injury.**

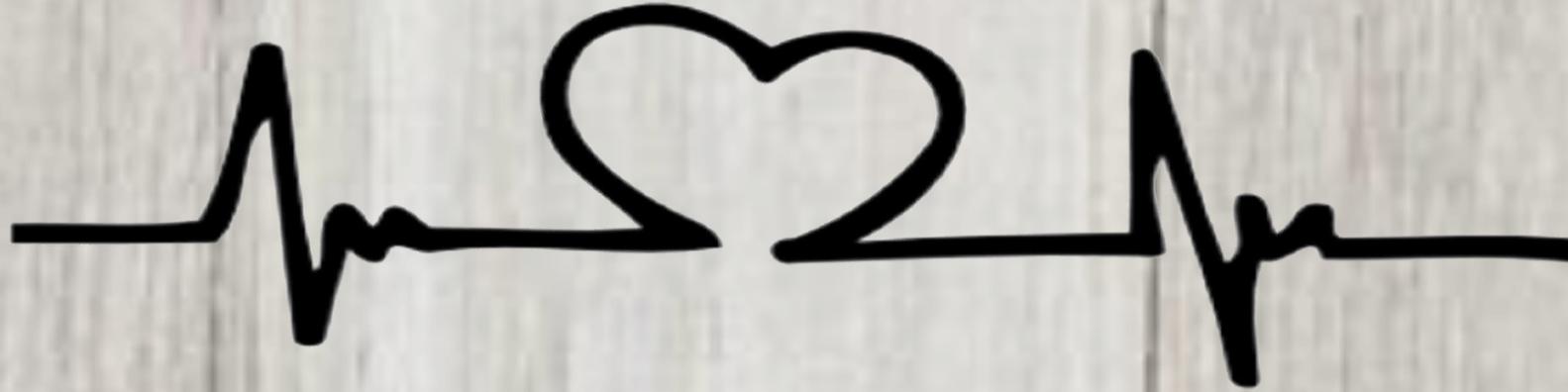
- **Suspected heart attack**- symptoms may include chest discomfort or pressure, severe palpitations, heavy perspiration and shortness of breath. Chest discomfort is not always present - especially in women.
- **Suspected stroke**- symptoms are sudden and may include numbness or weakness of the face, arm or leg, especially on one side of the body; confusion, trouble speaking, understanding, or walking; loss of balance or coordination; severe headache with no known cause.
- **Severe Bleeding** with weakness or drowsiness - even if bleeding has stopped.
- **Severe pain**
- **Burn** larger than 2 to 3 inches around involving all layers of skin or that appears black or dry & white
- **Severe allergic reaction or asthma attack**
- **Poisoning** - but only if the victim is comatose or having difficulty breathing, otherwise call the National Poison Control Center first at 800-222-1222.
- **Severe traumatic injuries**
- *When you are not sure if an ambulance should be called, call!*





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### Personal Protective Equipment used (approximate)

**14,924** pairs of gloves

**11,193** surgical masks

**7,462** gowns

**7,462** N95 masks





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### GRANTS



FOUNDED BY FIREMEN

The Department received a Firehouse Subs grant which funded the purchase of two Lucas Cardiac Tools. This tool provides hands free chest compressions while doing CPR.



The Department received an OSFM small tool grant funded at \$22,805. This grant will provide five sets of turn out gear for our staff. The PPE will include bunker gear, helmets, gloves, hoods and boots.



### FEMA

The SAFER grant received covers salary and benefit costs for the hiring of two new firefighters. This is a 3-year grant program which began in January, 2021. This grant was funded at \$785,748 and the match obligation was waived by FEMA.



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Park Forest has 4 outdoor weather warning sirens:

- Talala School
- Winnebago (near the dog park)
- Western Avenue (at the railroad tracks)
- Western Avenue at Steger Rd.

The sirens are tested on the first Tuesday of every month at 10 a.m.

Don't worry if you aren't able to hear them indoors. The sirens are used to alert people outside that severe weather is coming and to seek shelter indoors.

### Important Information About Tornado Sirens

Sirens are for OUTDOOR warning purposes and are not meant to be heard indoors.

Hearing a siren is a signal to get indoors and seek additional information.

It does NOT mean the threat has ended when the sirens stop sounding.

Sirens are activated by city or county officials, not the National Weather Service.





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### SPECIAL TEAMS



#### Mission Statement

“MABAS-Illinois serves local fire agencies, MABAS Divisions, State of Illinois Departments, and Cook County UASI-DHSEM by providing a systems-based resource allocation and distribution network of robust traditional and non-traditional fire-EMS-rescue and special operations teams for emergency and sustained response within and outside of the State of Illinois. Accomplishment of services requires cooperation, standardization, reliability, partnering, brokering and ongoing communication and compliance with customer specifications and expectations. Customer trust and reliance on the MABAS system is built upon personal relationships, credibility, and ongoing customer support.”



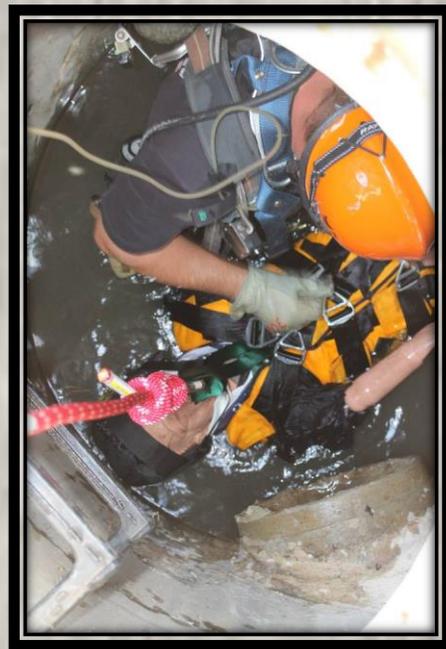
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### SPECIAL TEAMS



#### Mission:

The Combined Agency Response Team (CART) exists to provide highly trained responders to specialized rescue incidents in a quick, efficient manner. CART responds to rescue incidents with a multi-million dollar cache of member owned and CART supplemented equipment to support the efforts of the technical rescuers. There are over 400 Rescue Technicians who are annually tested by the CART organization.





### SPECIAL TEAMS



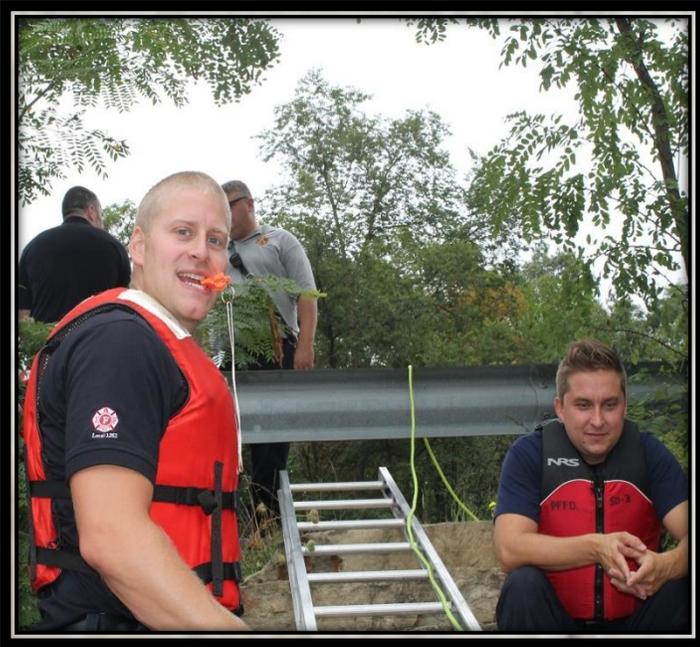
Members of the MABAS 27 Hazardous Materials Response Team are responsible to be trained and certified to the Illinois Office of the State Fire Marshal Hazardous Materials Technician B level. The team is comprised of approximately 40 members and advisors.

This team is responsible for responding to hazardous materials incidents and acts of terrorism in the South Suburbs, when called upon by a department of MABAS 27 or 24.

The purpose of the Haz-Mat Team is to provide a team of personnel with specialized hazardous materials training and equipment when the need arises. The team is capable of responding to hazardous materials incidents in order to contain and/or control the incident and to prevent further damage to life and property.



### SPECIAL TEAMS



The mission of the MABAS Division 27/24 Dive Team is to provide a professional response to water rescue and/or recovery incidents to the Villages located within both Divisions.



Due to the variety of waterways in the area (lakes, rivers, ponds, drainage ditches, etc.) the Dive Team must be prepared for multiple types of water rescue situations.

- Evidence Recovery - assist law enforcement agencies in crime scene investigations and evidence recovery operations.
  - River Diving - rescue or recovery of victims using underwater search patterns in a moving water environment.
- Surface Water Rescue - rescue of accident victims while they are still on the surface of lakes, ponds, and other types of still water.
  - Swift-water Rescue - rescues performed anywhere near rivers and other types of moving water.
- Underwater Rescue - SCUBA divers performing underwater search patterns to locate near-drowning victims.



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The Mission of the AFFI Honor Guard shall be to promote the Associated Firefighters of Illinois, the Locals therein, and the fire service as a whole, to the public, in a positive and proper fashion. To provide, as a line of duty death benefit, dignified, honorable services for fallen AFFI members, their surviving family members, and union brothers and sisters through organization of and participation in funeral and memorial services.





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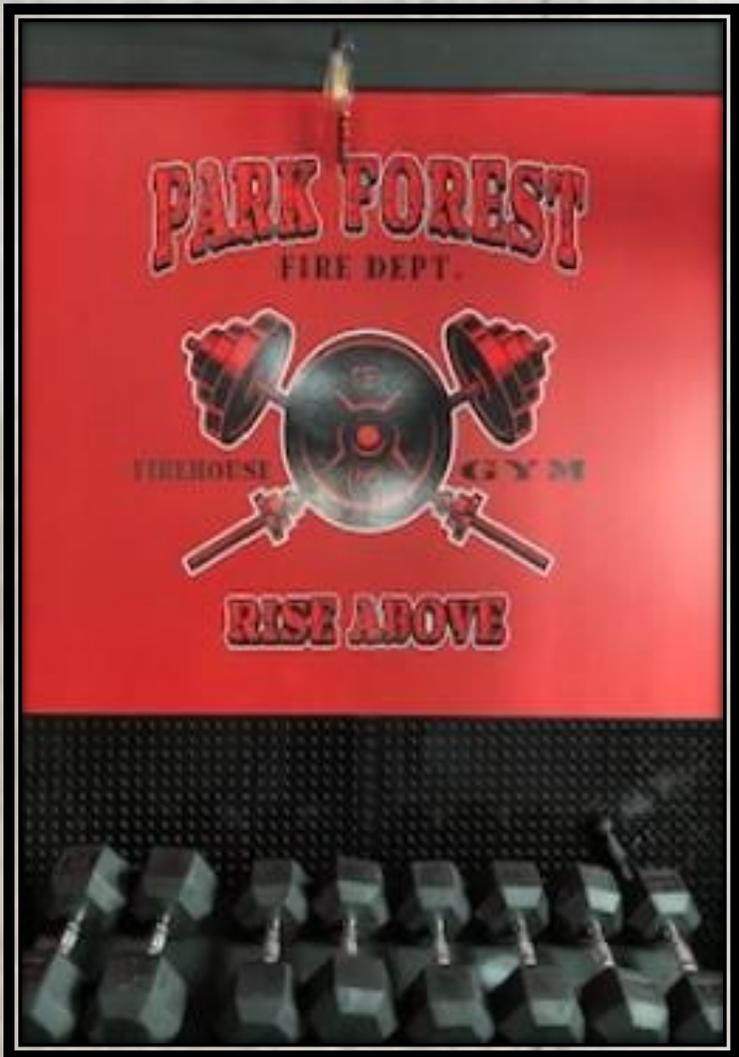


The primary goal of the Will-Cook-Grundy County Fire Investigation Task Force is to provide training, education, support, and assistance to local municipalities by investigating and determining the origin and cause for large loss fires, multiple fire fatalities and providing staffing assistance within stricken jurisdictions throughout Will, Cook and Grundy County.



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The International Association of Firefighters (IAFF) and the International Association of Fire Chiefs (IAFC) worked together to create the Fire Service Joint Labor Management Wellness-Fitness Initiative's Peer Fitness Trainer Program. This program provides a certificate program provided by the American Council on Exercise (ACE). The purpose of the IAFF/IAFC/ACE PFT certification program is to provide a fitness trainer standard consistent with the health and fitness needs of the Fire Service throughout the United States and Canada. The Park Forest Fire Department has a certified Peer Fitness Trainer on each of our three shifts.



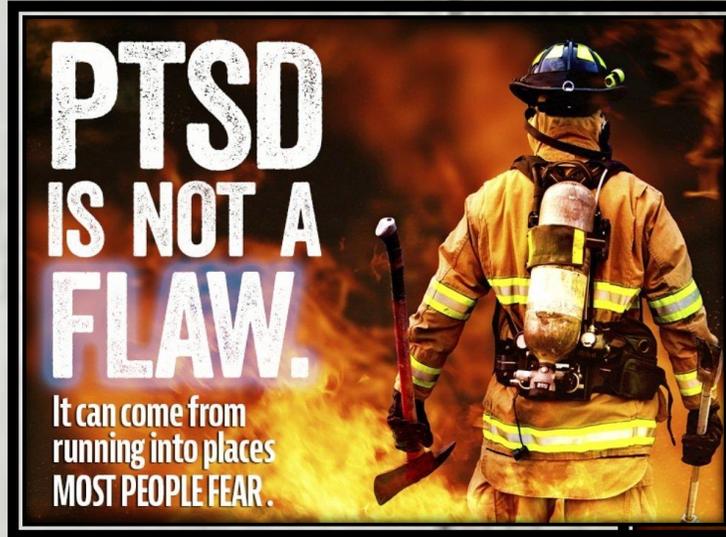


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**DANGER**



## 1 in 5 Firefighters and Paramedics

Will suffer from post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) in their career



\*Journal of Occupational Health Psychology



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**Hazardous**

**JOB**



Firefighters are at a greater risk than other workers in developing these cancer:

- Testicular cancer 102%
- Multiple myeloma 53%
- Non-Hodgkin lymphoma 51%
- Skin cancer 39%
- Brain cancer 32%
- Prostate cancer 28%
- Stomach cancer 22%
- Colon cancer 21%

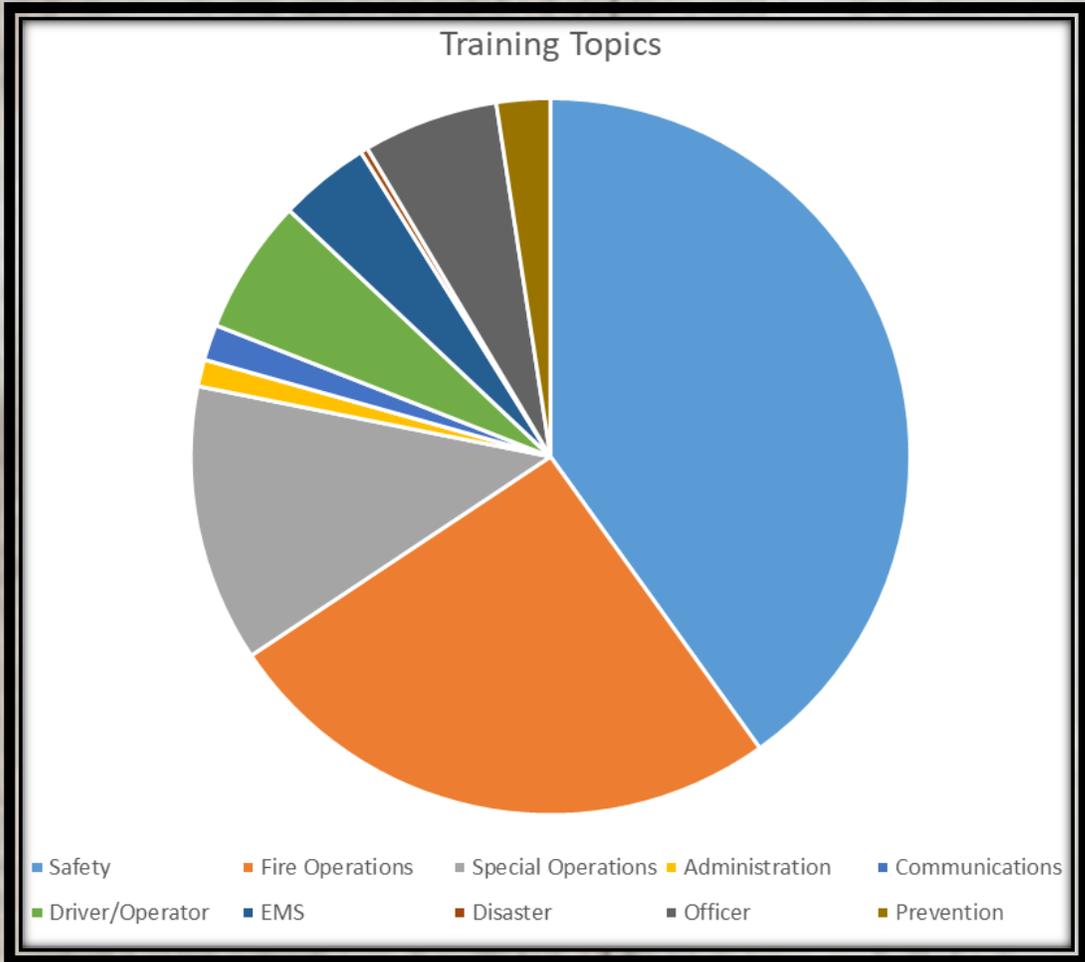
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Count of Classes and People by Class Category with Class Hours and Man Hours for Date Range  
 Passed/Failed: Both Passed and Failed | Start Date: 01/01/2021 | End Date: 12/31/2021

	CLASS COUNT	TOTAL CLASS HOURS	COUNT OF PEOPLE	TOTAL MAN HOURS
Administration	6	12:30	48	105:00
Communications	6	19:00	43	140:00
Driver/Operator	49	93:00	269	529:00
EMS	27	94:00	155	356:00
Fire Disaster Management	12	12:00	29	29:00
Fire Officer	47	93:30	154	529:15
Fire Operations	185	344:00	1198	2271:15
Fire Prevention	18	47:15	104	210:00
Safety	561	664:00	3486	4140:00
Special Operations	47	298:15	254	1088:00
<b>GRAND TOTALS:</b>	<b>958</b>	<b>1677:30</b>	<b>5740</b>	<b>9397:30</b>



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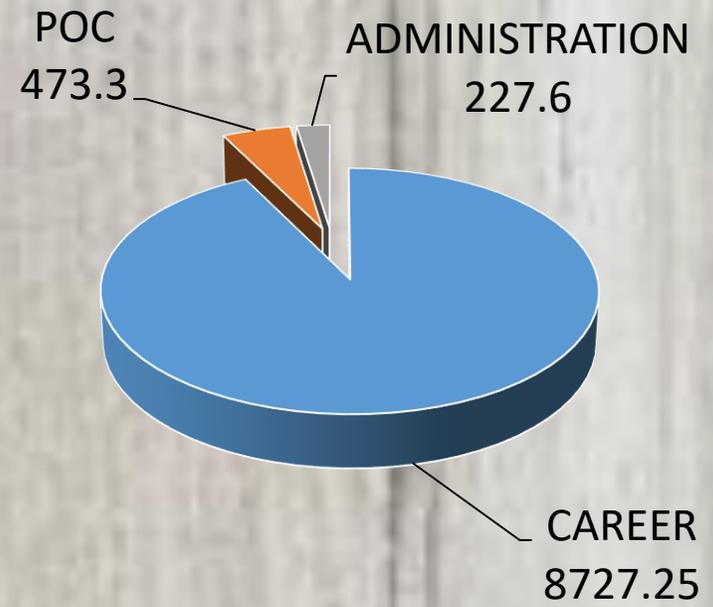
Required Classes	Hours
Basic Operations Firefighter <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Courage To Be Safe</li><li>• NIMS 100 and 700</li><li>• Hazardous Materials Awareness</li><li>• Technical Rescue Awareness</li></ul>	360 Hours
Rope Operations	40 Hours
Confined Space Operations	40 Hours
Fire Service Vehicle Operator	24 Hours
Hazardous Materials Operations	40 Hours
Blue Card Command	64 Hours
EMT-Basic	96 Hours
EMT-Paramedic	950 Hours



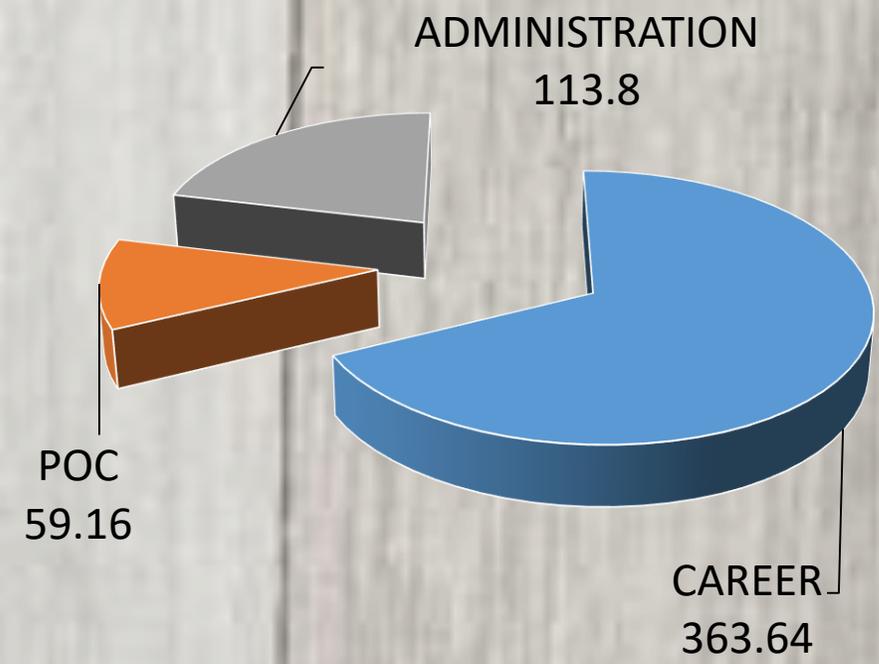
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#### TOTAL TRAINING HOURS



#### AVERAGE TRAINING HOURS PER PERSON



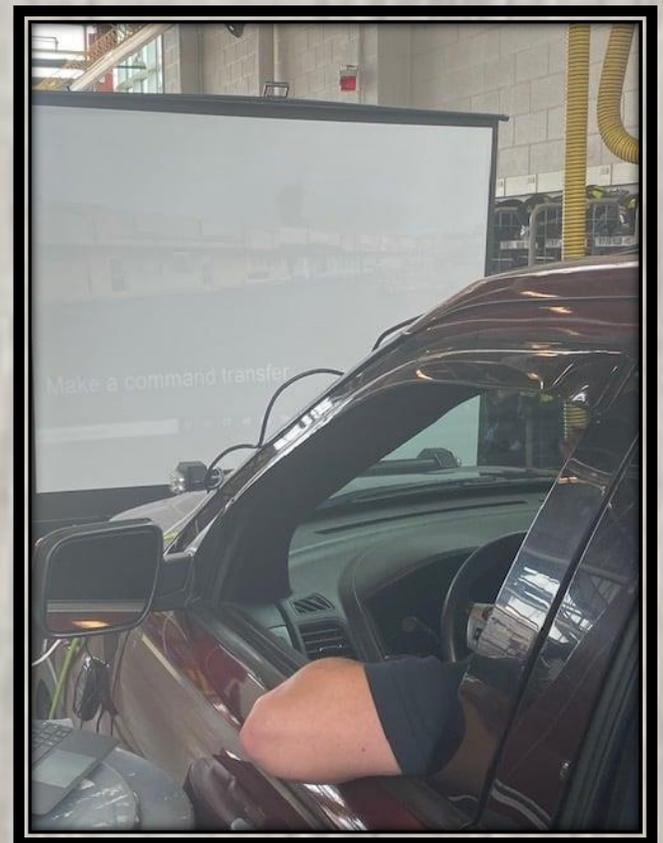


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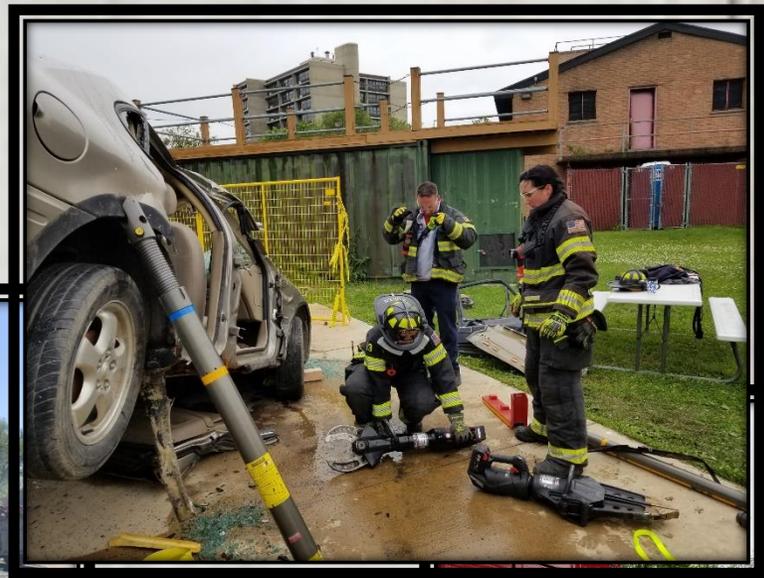


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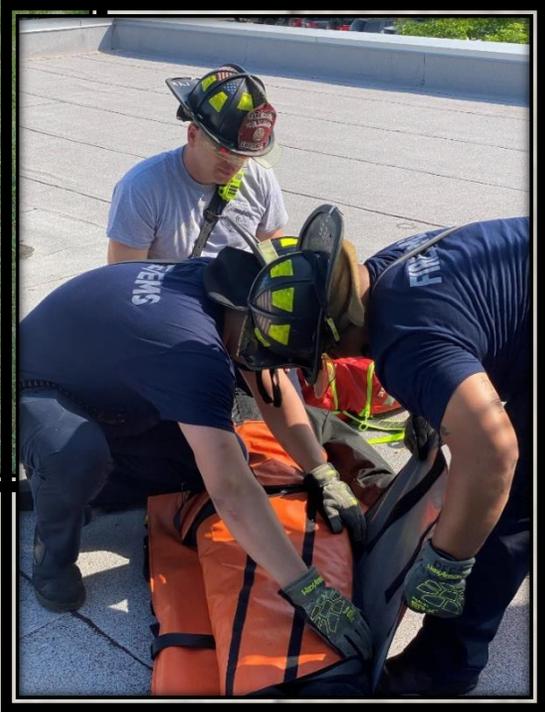
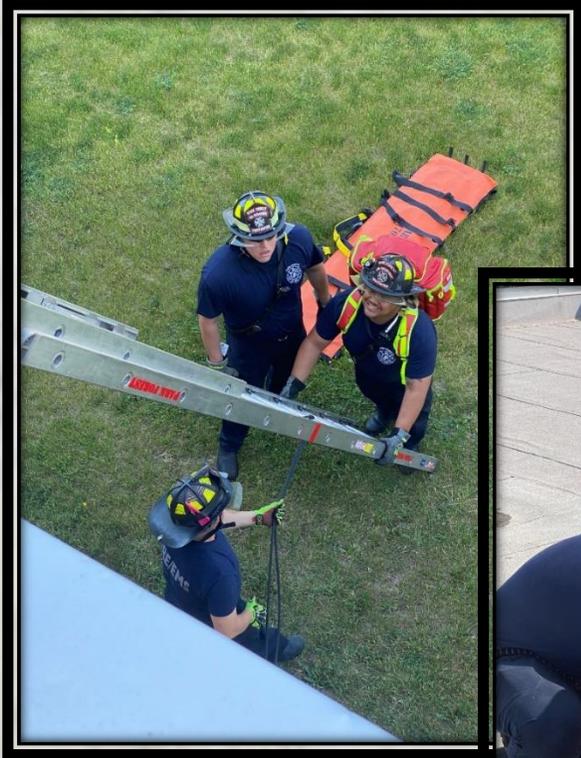


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### FIRE PREVENTION BUREAU

The Fire Prevention Bureau is lead by Captain Phil Myers and is responsible for:

- Inspection services
  - Annual business inspections. (145 inspections completed in 2021)
  - Plan reviews.
  - Residential sprinklers.
- Public education
  - School programs.
  - Senior programs.
  - Community outreach.
- Safety outreach
  - CPR classes.
  - Car seat installations.
  - Fire Extinguisher training.





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#### Common Violations



Smoke detectors save lives!! Any property with sleeping quarters is required to have smoke detectors on each floor of the property. It is recommended that a smoke detector be installed in each bedroom and is required by the current fire code if you update your home. Additional detectors may be required based on the layout of the property. In properties that the PFFD inspects, these detectors must be tested and documented on an annual basis.

Any property with sleeping quarters and fuel burning appliances (furnace, hot water heater, stove) is required have a CO detector within 15 feet of the sleeping areas.



If the property is equipped with exit signs, they must be illuminated at all times, point in the direction of the exit, and the battery backup should re-illuminate the sign when the “test” button is pushed.

It is recommended that every home have a fire extinguisher in the kitchen. Fire extinguisher are required in every commercial/business, mixed use and multi- family residential properties. The number of extinguishers is dependent on the layout of the property and no more than 75 feet of travel distance in most businesses. Extinguishers in businesses must be serviced on a yearly basis by a certified by a fire extinguisher technician.



Electrical issues rank among the top causes of fires. Caution should be taken when using power strips and extension chords. Power strips should be used properly by being plugged into a grounded outlet and never overloaded. Extension cords should never be used in place of permanent wiring, ran through walls, under doors, fastened to walls or ceilings or used for items that are of continuous use.