DES PLAINES FIRE DEPARTMENT

2011

ANNUAL REPORT

FIRE CHIEF'S LETTER

Mayor Martin Moylan

Members of the City Council

Des Plaines Citizens and City Staff Members

I am pleased to present to you the Des Plaines Fire Department's Annual Report for the 2011 calendar year. As you will see, the Department and City can look back on 2011 with pride on the many accomplishments that were made possible by the dedicated and professional members of the agency.

Amazingly, the level of activity continues to grow every year. 2011 brought the most number of ambulance calls ever in the City's history, was second only to 2008 in terms of total emergency responses, and was third to 2010 and 1996 in total structure fire responses (pages 14,15, and 43).

During the year, we fully-implemented the ongoing structure change in the Fire Prevention Bureau, moving from full-time inspectors to part-time inspectors. This created some efficiencies, reduced costs, and allowed for increased knowledge of fire prevention and building principles by more of the emergency responders. A special thanks to those individuals who stepped-up to serve as fire inspectors, increasing both their knowledge and the benefit to the organization.

With support of the City Council, the Department was able to increase revenue while decreasing out-of-pocket costs to Des Plaines residents for ambulance service. While service fees in this area were raised to levels similar to our neighbors, and more reflective of the actual costs of service, co-pays and deductibles that would normally have to be paid by the patients were waived for local residents, with recognition of the payment of local taxes by residents as the copays and deductibles that would otherwise be owed.

Summer brought a wonderful addition to the Department and City, as well as a lovely tribute to a local hero that served the community in the 1950s and 60s, and who made the ultimate sacrifice doing so. Max Jacobs, a local boy scout, decided to pay tribute to Firefighter Robert Coombs, who lost his life in the line of duty in 1962. For his community service project toward the rank of Eagle Scout, Max decided to construct a memorial rose garden in honor of Firefighter Coombs. Max planned the entire project, raised funds, and led the construction. The results are truly inspiring, and provide a most fitting tribute to this fallen firefighter. We appreciate Max's creativity, initiative, and dedication to this project, and congratulate him on the wonderful results – and on attaining his Eagle Scout badge.

FIRE CHIEF'S LETTER

As summer approached, the entire City was abuzz in anticipation of the opening of the Rivers Casino in the City's southeast corner. Our responders encountered – and overcame – many challenges related to this operation, especially the first few days when unprecedented swarms of visitors descended on our community. The first few weeks proved to be busy ones, especially for ambulance calls. Eventually, though, things stabilized. Before it was constructed, based on research we had done with other departments that have casinos in their jurisdictions, we anticipated an emergency call every other day. By year-end, the Department was responding to an average of one call every 1.4 days – a bit busier than anticipated, but manageable nonetheless.

In late 2011, the Department welcomed a very well-known figure in the fire service. Nationally-known and respected training officer Forest Reeder joined the ranks of the Department as our training officer. The addition of Division Chief Reeder to our staff will provide countless improvements to our already-excellent training programs, and we look forward to continued and boundless growth.

Unfortunately, we also bid farewell to a couple of long-standing employees. Firefighter John Schramel retired in April after nearly 27 years on the Department. Deputy Chief Ron Eilken retired in November after more than 28 years of service. I thank them both for their dedication to the Department and the citizens of the community. A special thank you to Ron for his service as Interim Chief prior to my arrival in 2009, and for all of his invaluable assistance during the transition to my new post.

As always, 2011 proved there to be no shortage of notable emergency calls in Des Plaines. A mass casualty incident occurred in May when a Metra commuter train struck a dump truck carrying concrete slabs, causing the death of the truck driver, the derailment of the train (which also caught fire), and the treatment of nearly 30 patients. This occurred on the border with Mount Prospect, and the incident proved once again the incredible values of our mutual aid systems and training programs. During Christmas weekend, a fire in a residence on Fargo led to the daring rescue and resuscitation of a child and his grandmother from a basement, with Lieutenant Mike Copeland and Firefighter/Paramedic Rob Prieto risking their own safety to advance through a wall of flame on a fire-compromised stairway to conduct a search for the victims and make the saves. These department-members, and others on the scene, showed what the DPFD is all about, and have received numerous awards and recognitions for their bravery and successes. Congratulations!!

FIRE CHIEF'S LETTER

2011 saw the growth of our citizen volunteer programs through the City's Emergency Management Agency/Department of Homeland Security. Most notably, the Citizen Fire Corps program developed and became more active, providing support for the Fire Department both on the scenes of emergency incidents and at special events. We look forward to the continued growth of the program, and further integration of the Corps into Departmental activities.

Des Plaines is well known as an outstanding fire department, and, in my mind, the reason is clear: it is because of the outstanding abilities, unending dedication, and continual passion of our personnel to be the best and provide the best service. I am very proud of our employees and their continued efforts to excel at what we do best – provide our community with outstanding firefighting, rescue, emergency medical, and safety services.

Similarly, we could not be so successful without the support of the community and its public officials. Thanks to our residents and business-owners that so frequently express their appreciation and backing. Additionally, a special thank you to the Mayor, City Clerk, and Aldermen for their ongoing support. I also appreciate the collaborative and supportive spirit in which the City Manager and other City department-heads and Staff have approached their work with us.

As we look forward to 2012, we promise to continue to provide excellent professional services in the most efficient manner possible. We are excited for the additional growth and opportunities that the next year will bring. As always, if you have any questions or suggestions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

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MISSION STATEMENT

To protect life, property and the environment by providing services that make a positive difference every day.

MOTTO Trained, Equipped, Prepared

VISION STATEMENT Become the finest fire service organization possible by utilizing and developing our members to their fullest potential, maximizing the resources available to us, and being responsive to the growth of our community and changing needs of our customers. We will excel by honoring our values, accomplishing our mission, and achieving our vision.

CORE VALUES We are the men and women of the Des Plaines Fire Department. We consider the following characteristics to be of great value in our personal and professional development and in the overall accomplishment of the Department mission:

TOLERANCE We acknowledge, encourage and respect the ethnic and cultural diversity in our Department and community. We strive for a sensitivity and an understanding of this diversity.

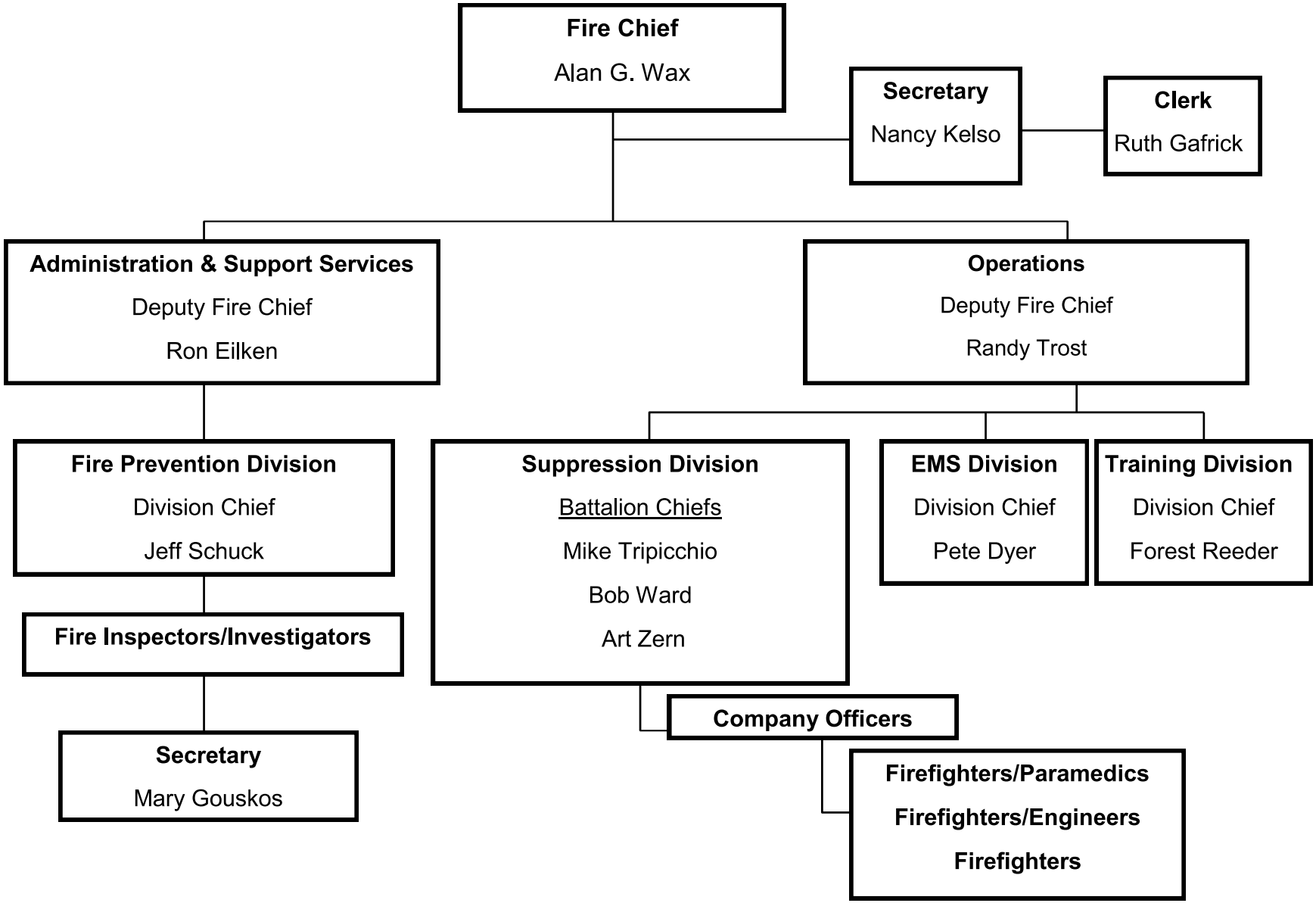
HONESTY We acknowledge that trust in our leadership, political body and each other is vital and begins with the individual.

INTEGRITY We will work hard everyday to maintain the highest professional standards and to earn the public trust through our actions.

LOYALTY We believe each member shall be loyal to and speak positively of fellow firefighters, the Department, employer and oath.

PROFESSIONALISM A commitment to quality customer service, possessing a positive attitude, having pride in our work and giving our best.

ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



PERSONNEL

FIRE DEPARTMENT ROSTER - 2011

FIRE CHIEF ALAN G. WAX

DEPUTY CHIEF RON EILKEN
SECRETARY NANCY KELSO

DEPUTY CHIEF RANDY TROST
CLERK RUTH GAFRICK

BLACK SHIFT	RED SHIFT	GOLD SHIFT
Batt. Chief Mike Tripicchio	**Batt. Chief Bob Ward**	**Batt Chief Art Zern**
Lt. Mike Copeland	Capt. Scott Pierson	Lt. Steve Ehas
Lt. Jim Hall	Lt. Ken Palenik	Lt. Guy Miller
Lt. Dave Macri	Lt. Duane Owen	Lt. Rich Gross
Lt. Gary Despaltro	Lt. Tom Lewis	Lt. Greg Brown
Lt. Mike Iorio	Lt. Jeff Vallee	Lt. Chris Wozny
Lt. Brad Butler	Engr. Andy Swierczynski	Engr. Mike Klausing
Engr. Bob Johnson	Engr. John Foy	Engr. Terry Dillon
Engr. Colin Carroll	Engr. Jim Mulvihill	Engr. Brandon Hatch
Engr. William Butenschoen	Engr. Jeff Gove	Engr. Jim Utinans
Engr. Kevin Felde	Engr. Mike Donovan	Engr. Tim Lynch
Engt. Bill Szmergalski	FF/PM Eric Suevel	FF/PM Tony Zulfer
FF/PM Russ Olish	FF/PM Mike Kiskowski	FF/PM Eddie Mazzei
FF/PM Minas Kikas	FF/PM Roger Wormley	FF/PM Rich Schumann
FF/PM Max Verlinsky	FF/PM Dave Bedrich	FF/PM Jason Rychlik
FF/PM Sean Schielie	FF/PM Bill Rice	FF/PM Lance Harm
FF/PM Mark Pawlyk	FF/PM Dan Hauser	FF/PM Scott Korona
FF/PM Eric Chipman	FF/PM Matt Matzl	FF/PM Jered Milton
FF/PM Kevin Murphy	FF/PM Sam Foster	FF/PM Ted Lee
FF/PM Ed Rogers	FF/PM Frank Kubas	FF/PM Mike Mueller
FF/PM Nick Mardirosian	FF/PM Shawn Quigel	FF/PM Brian Hoffman
FF/PM Robert Prieto	FF/PM Collin Moon	FF/PM Brian Kinnare
FF/PM Michael Kirchoff	FF/PM Michael DeLuca	FF/PM Chris Bolsoni
FF/PM Robert McLaren	FF/PM Mike Shaughnessy	FF/PM Michael King
FF/PM Brian Rieger	FF/PM Ian Carroll	FF/PM Lukasz Szerlag
FF/PM Mike Rioch	FF/PM Nicholas Ciaburri	FF/PM Joseph Ciraulo
FF/PM Steve Berndt	FF/PM Eric Zack	FF/PM Chris Moran
FF/PM Ryan Petty	FF/PM Kevin Jones	FF/PM Adam Rejowski
FF Brian Carmicheal	FF Dave Zitzer	FF Frank Graham

Fire Prevention Division - *Division Chief Jeff Schuck*

Inspector Dave Schuman	Inspector Edward Rogers
Mary Gouskos	Inspector Jeff Gove
Inspector Matt Matzl	Inspector Ken Palenik
Inspector Bill Rice	Inspector Lukasz Szerlag
Inspector Jim Utinans	Inspector Tim Lynch

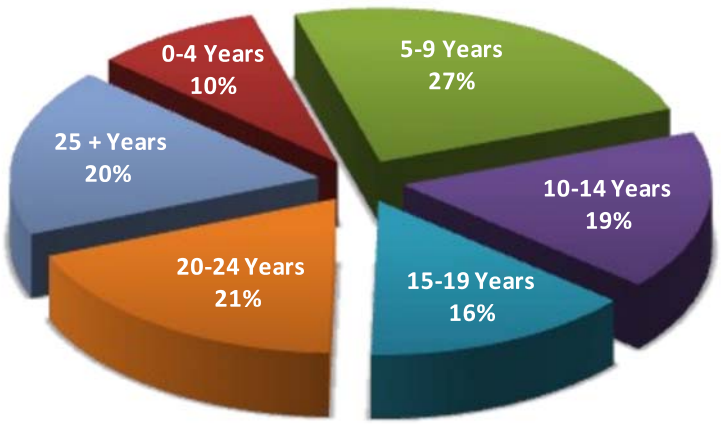
EMS Division

Division Chief Pete Dyer

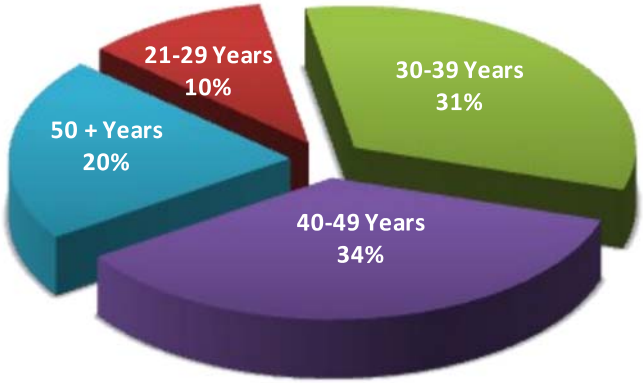
Training Division

Division Chief Forest Reeder

YEARS OF SERVICE



AGES OF EMPLOYEES



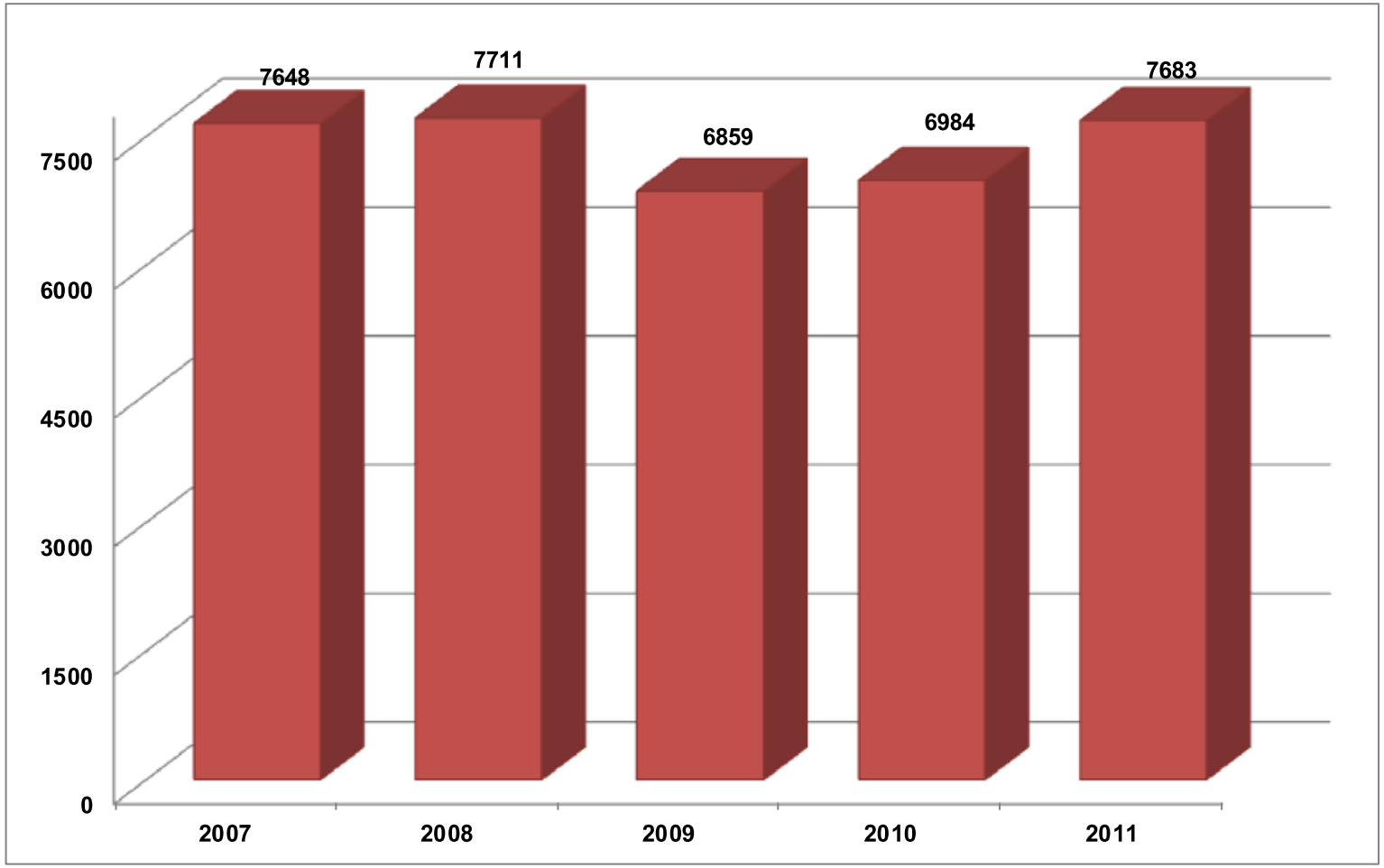
PERSONNEL CHANGES

Personnel	Change	Date
Bill Rice	Hired as P/T Fire Inspector	1/11/11
Jim Utinans	Hired as P/T Fire Inspector	1/13/11
Ed Rogers	Hired as P/T Fire Inspector	1/14/11
Jeff Gove	Hired as P/T Fire Inspector	2/7/11
Wayne Hoffman	Retired as FF/Paramedic	4/1/11
Brian Carmicheal	Re-assigned to FF	4/11/11
Ken Palenik	Hired as P/T Fire Inspector	4/11/11
Lukasz Szerlag	Hired as P/T Fire Inspector	4/19/11
Art Zern	Promoted to Battalion Chief	4/22/11
John Schramel	Retired as FF	4/30/11
Tim Lynch	Hired as P/T Fire Inspector	6/3/11
Brad Butler	Re-assigned to Lieutenant on Shift	9/26/11
Forest Reeder	Hired as Division Chief of Training	9/26/11
Kevin Jones	Hired as P/T Fire Inspector	10/11/11
Ron Eilken	Retired as Deputy Chief	11/16/11

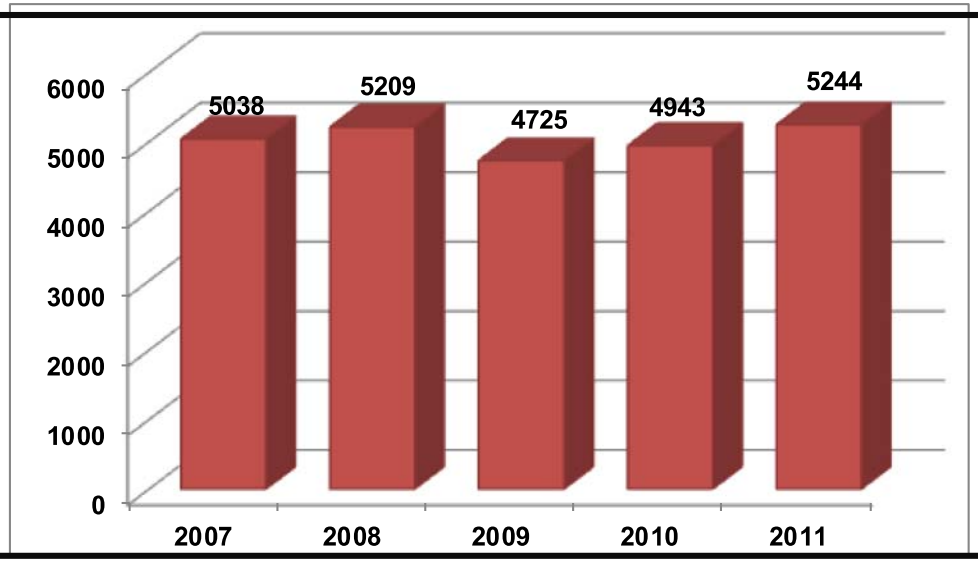
RESPONSE

FIVE YEAR HISTORY OF FIRE DEPARTMENT RESPONSES

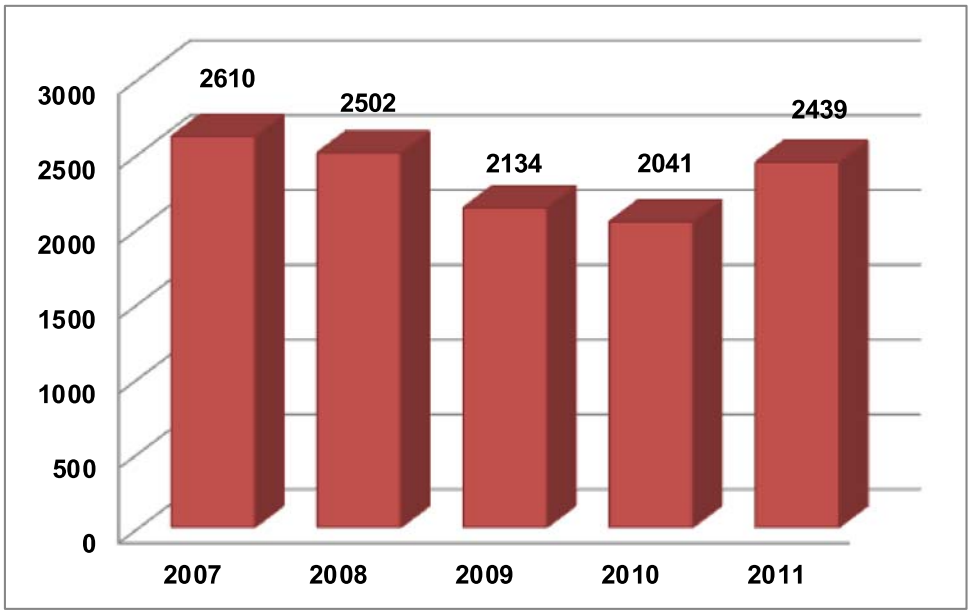
2011 TOTAL RESPONSES - 7,683



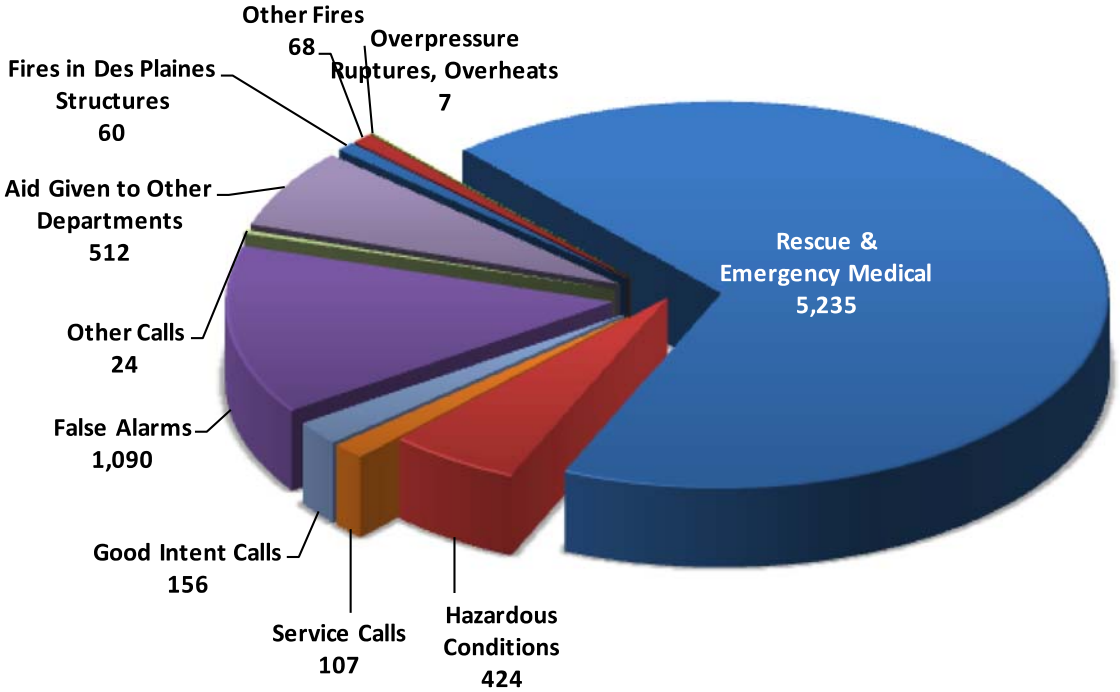
MEDICAL RESPONSES



FIRE & NON–MEDICAL RESPONSES

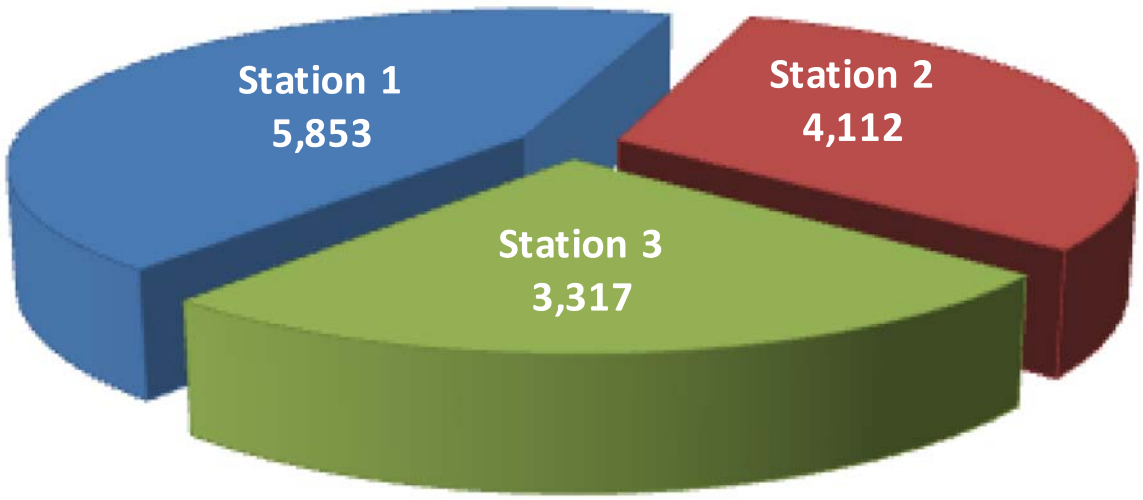


TOTAL RESPONSE BREAKDOWN



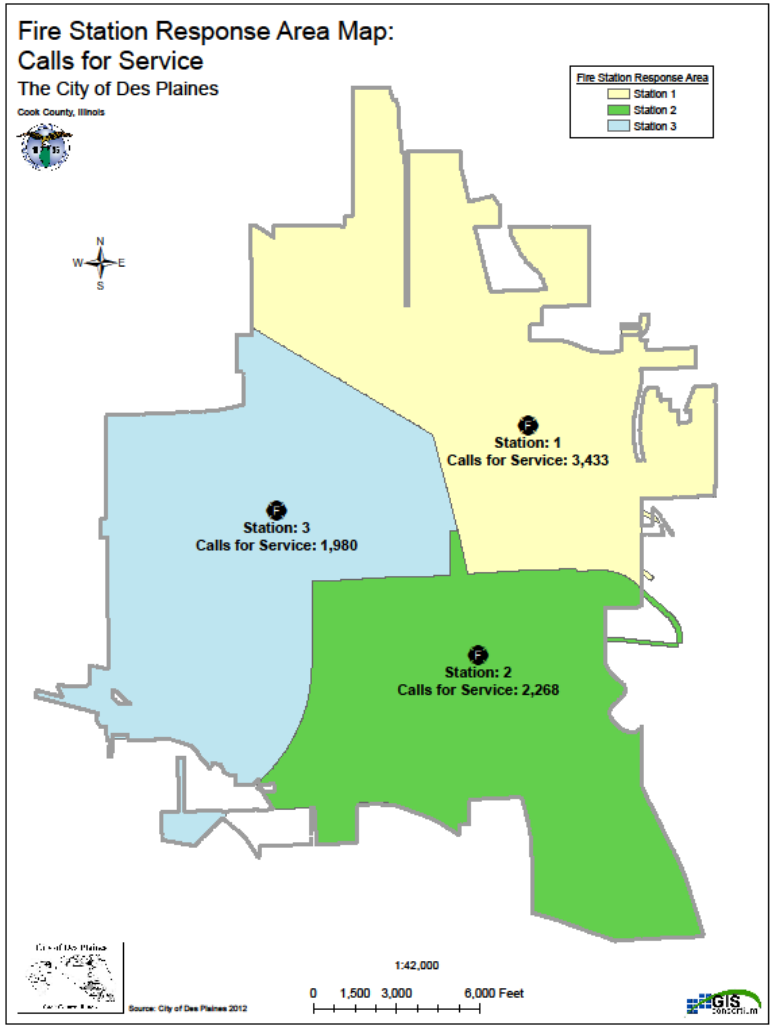
Incident Description	Number of Incidents
Fires in Des Plaines Structures	60
Other Fires in Des Plaines	68
Overpressure Ruptures, Overheats in Des Plaines	7
Rescue & Emergency Medical in Des Plaines	5,235
Hazardous Conditions in Des Plaines	424
Service Calls in Des Plaines	107
Good Intent Calls in Des Plaines	156
False Alarms in Des Plaines	1,090
Other Calls	24
Aid Given to Other Departments	512
Total	**7,683**

STATION RESPONSE TOTALS



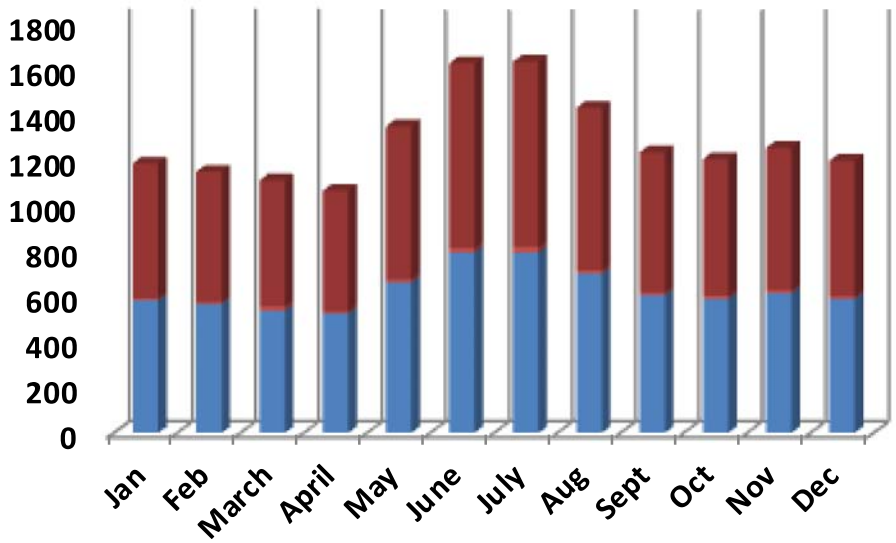
Total station responses exceed the total number of alarms since certain alarms require more than one station to respond; e.g. a reported fire requires two engines, one ladder truck, two ambulances and a Battalion Commander to respond. This results in at least two fire stations responding to one alarm.

CALLS FOR SERVICE BY DISTRICT



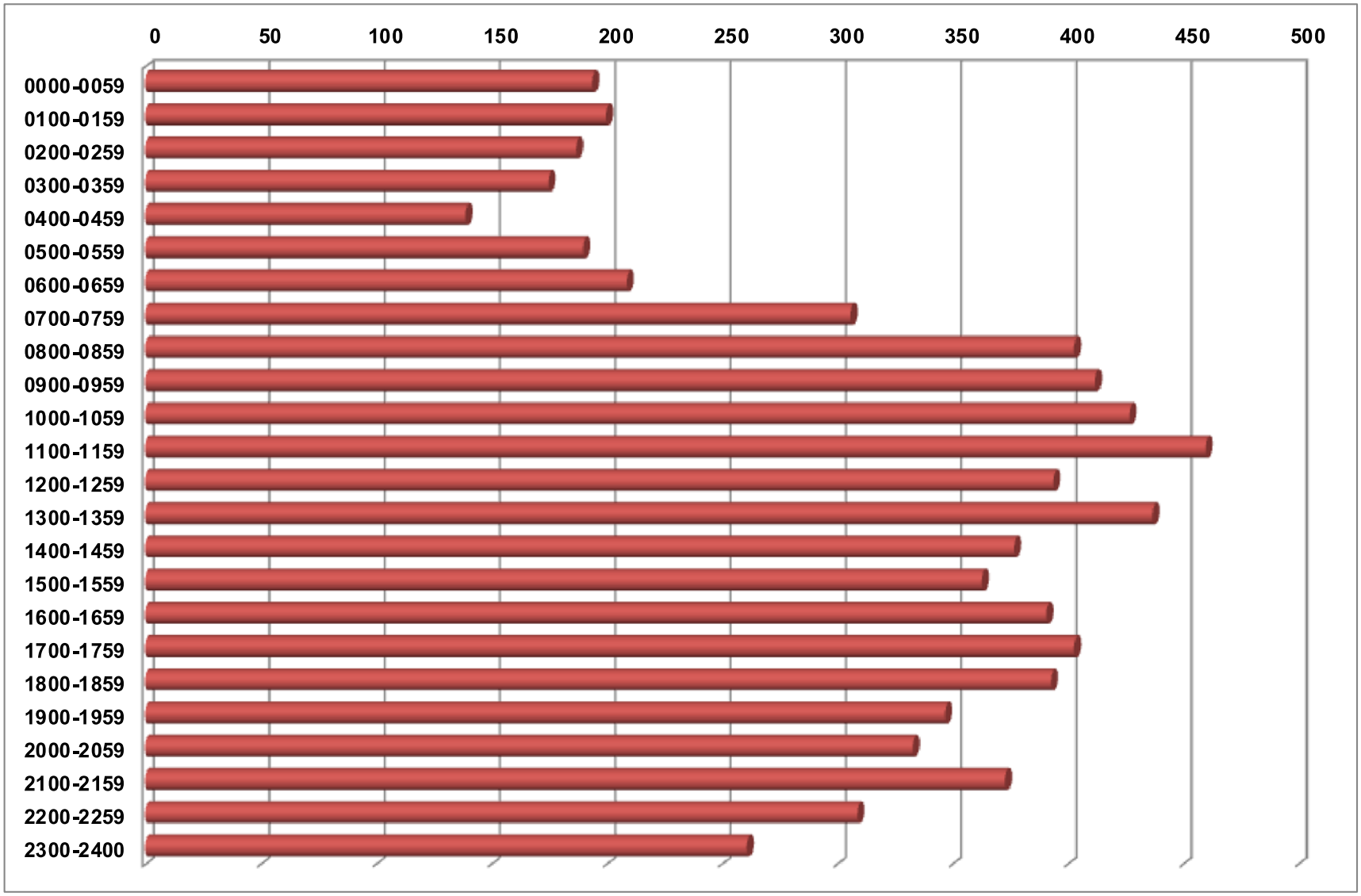
This map illustrates the calls that occurred in each station's district. If the stations were already committed on a call, another station or fire department may have handled the call.

TOTAL DEPARTMENT MONTHLY RESPONSES

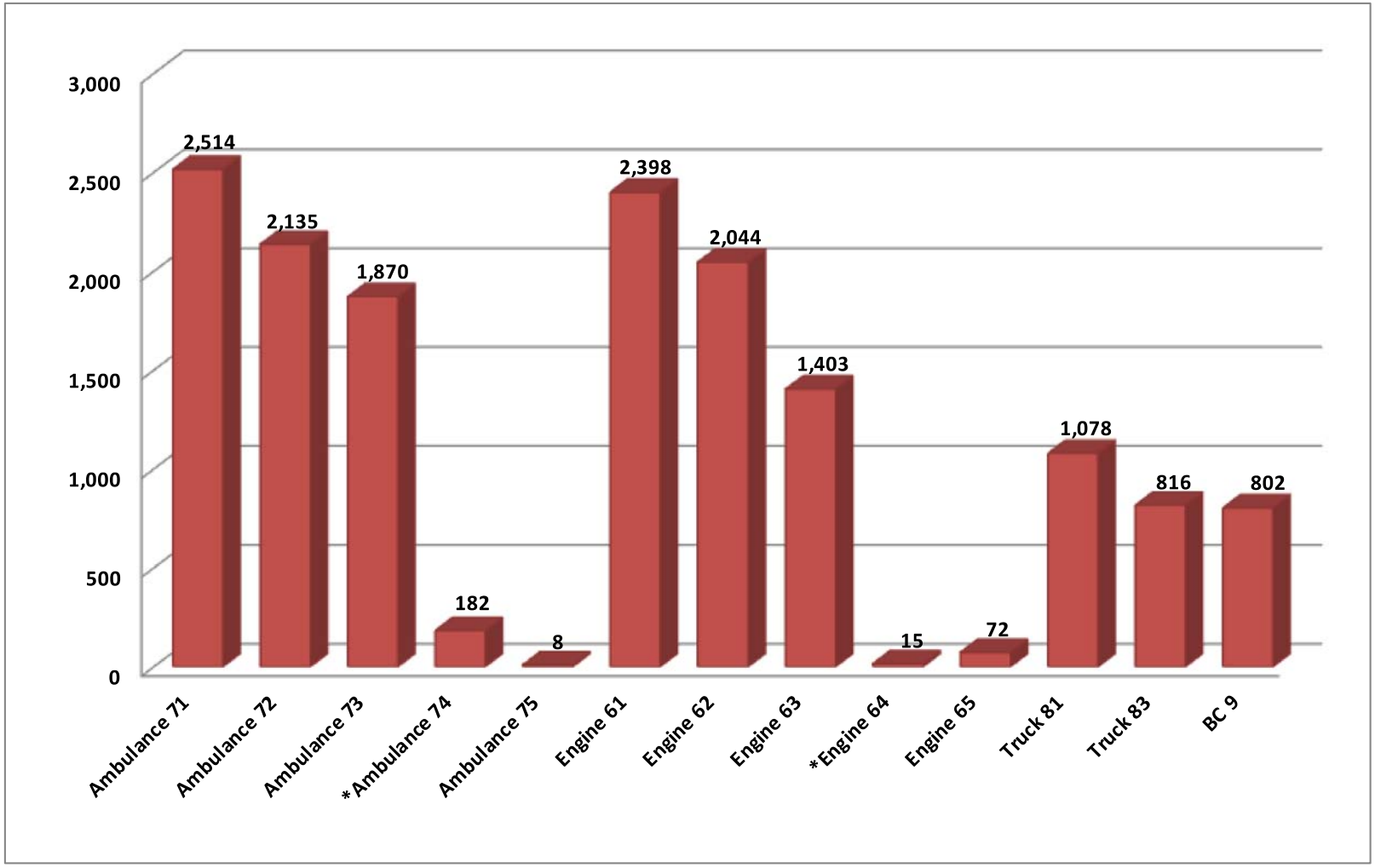


Monthly Responses	Medical/Rescue	Fire & Other	Total
January	410	180	590
February	377	195	572
March	396	157	553
April	419	111	530
May	444	227	671
June	434	375	809
July	485	328	813
Aug	493	219	712
September	452	162	614
October	423	176	599
November	455	169	624
December	456	140	596
Totals	**5,244**	**2,439**	**7,683**

ALARM BREAKDOWN BY HOUR



2011 TOTAL RESPONSES PER RESPONSE VEHICLE

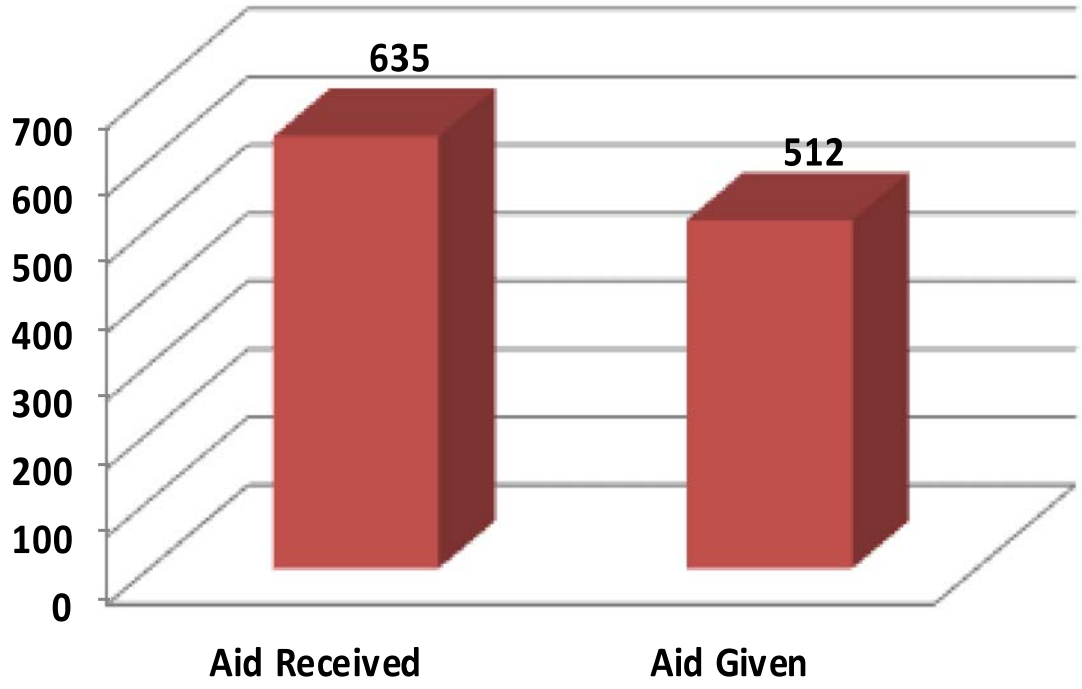


*** Reserve/Backup Vehicles when placed in-service not as a back-up.**

AUTOMATIC & MUTUAL AID RESPONSES

The City of Des Plaines Fire Department has participated in automatic aid (additional unit response on a call regardless of jurisdictional boundaries) and mutual aid (request for additional resources for large incidents or due to multiple simultaneous incidents) agreements for decades. Citizens of all communities benefit from this sharing of resources and regionalized approach.

In 2011, the Des Plaines Fire Department received assistance 635 times and provided assistance 512 times.



AUTOMATIC & MUTUAL AID RESPONSE

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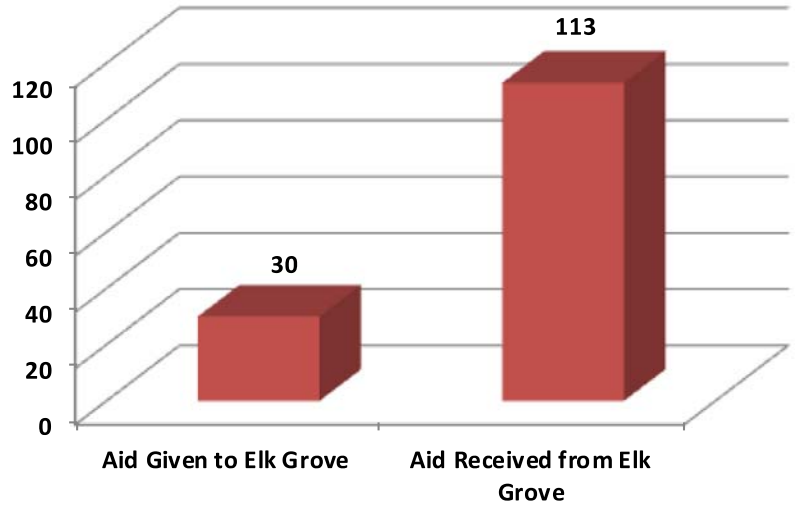
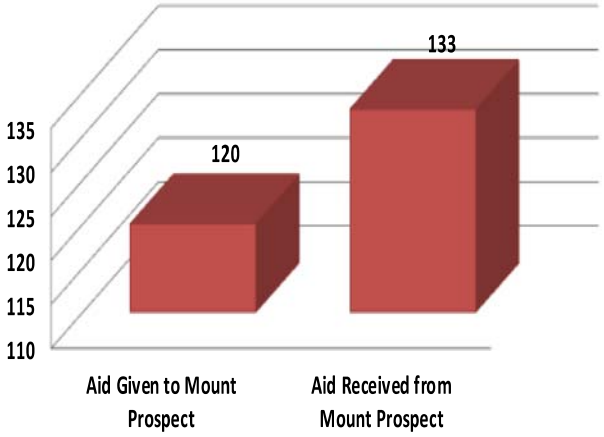
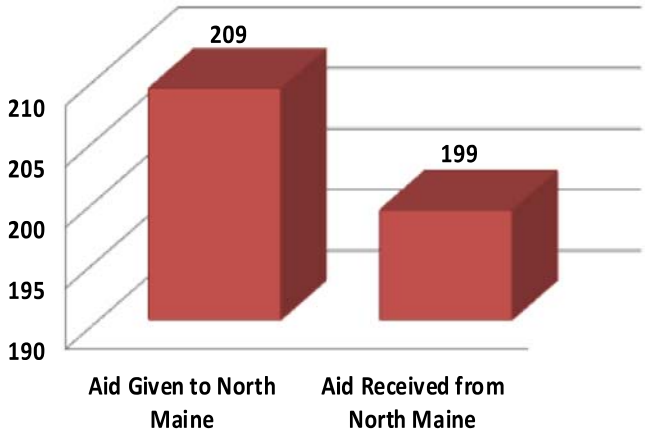


MOUNT PROSPECT



NORTH MAINE



AUTOMATIC & MUTUAL AID RESPONSES

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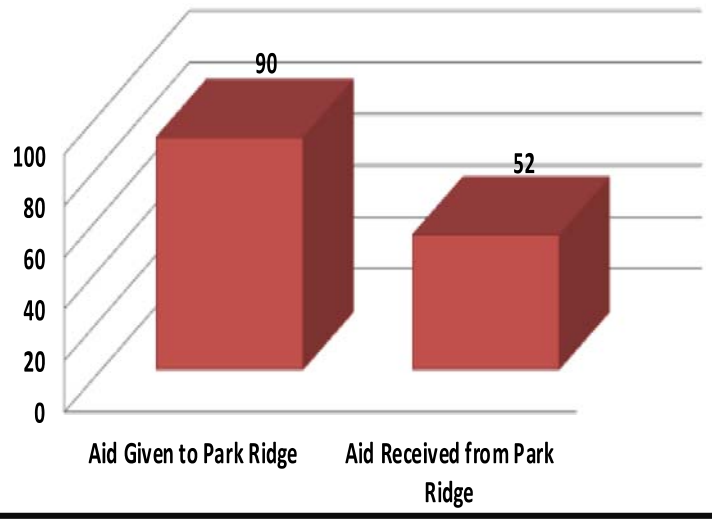

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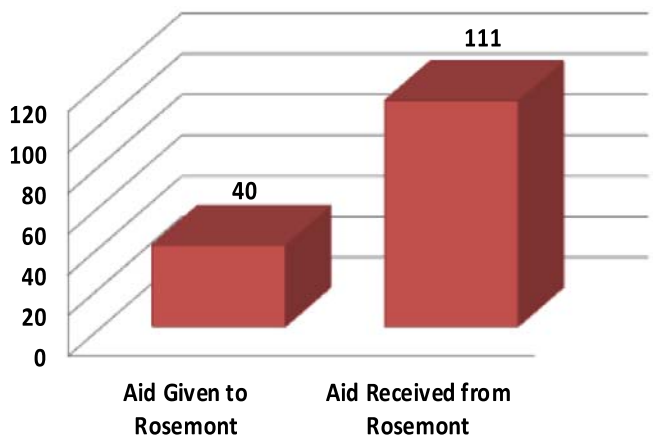

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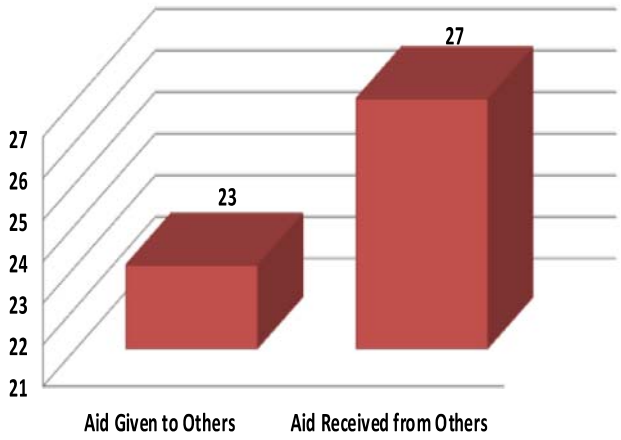


EMERGENCY MEDICAL RESPONSE

RESIDENT- ADVANCED LIFE SUPPORT

Nature of Call	Number of Pts.	Refusals	No Pt. Contact	To ABMC	To Glenbrook	To LGH	To NWCH	To RES	Other
Assault	2	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
Bicycle	7	1	0	0	0	6	0	0	0
Bite/Sting	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Burn	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Cardiac	198	0	0	13	0	151	30	1	3
Chemical Abuse	78	0	0	0	0	66	12	0	0
Fall	173	2	0	7	0	136	27	1	0
Invalid Assist	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Medical	1,460	3	0	64	4	1,109	268	11	1
Motorcycle	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
OB	11	0	0	0	0	11	0	0	0
Pedestrian	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
Psychological	46	0	0	1	0	37	8	0	0
Shooting	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Stabbing	3	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	1
Trauma	62	0	0	4	0	47	11	0	0
Triple O	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
Vehicle Accident	31	8	0	19	0	19	2	0	1
Resident ALS Totals	**2,084**	**15**	**0**	**90**	**4**	**1,589**	**362**	**13**	**11**

EMERGENCY MEDICAL RESPONSE

RESIDENT - BASIC LIFE SUPPORT

Nature of Call	Number of Pts.	Refusals	No Pt. Contact	To ABMC	To Glenbrook	To LGH	To NWCH	To RES	Other
Assault	30	20	0	0	0	8	2	0	0
Bicycle	5	4	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Bite/Sting	5	3	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Burn	4	1	0	0	0	3	0	0	0
Cardiac	20	16	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
Chemical Abuse	71	10	0	1	0	56	3	0	1
Fall	387	239	0	7	0	104	17	2	18
Invalid Assist	175	96	1	0	0	0	1	0	77
Medical	723	295	1	14	1	287	49	2	74
OB	7	1	0	1	0	3	0	0	2
Pedestrain	4	3	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Psychological	205	11	0	5	0	150	30	1	8
Trauma	91	23	0	2	0	50	12	0	4
Triple O	69	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	69
Vehicle Accident	209	154	0	0	0	44	3	0	2
Resident BLS Totals	**1,999**	**876**	**2**	**30**	**1**	**707**	**118**	**5**	**260**
Resident ALS / BLS Totals	**4,083**	**891**	**2**	**120**	**5**	**2,296**	**480**	**18**	**271**

EMERGENCY MEDICAL RESPONSE

NON-RESIDENT - ADVANCED LIFE SUPPORT

Nature of Call	Number of Pts.	Refusals	No Pt. Contact	To ABMC	To Glenbrook	To LGH	To NWCH	To RES	Other
Assault	2	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Bicycle	2	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Bite/Sting	3	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	0
Cardiac	60	0	0	4	0	52	4	0	0
Chemical Abuse	37	0	0	0	0	35	2	0	0
Fall	18	2	0	0	0	15	1	0	0
Medical	304	3	0	15	1	252	32	1	0
Motorcycle	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
OB	10	0	0	0	0	9	1	0	0
Pedestrian	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Psychological	8	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	1
Stabbing	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Trauma	20	0	0	3	0	14	3	0	0
Triple o	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Vehicle Accident	66	10	0	1	0	47	6	2	0
Non- Resident ALS Totals	**534**	**17**	**0**	**23**	**1**	**438**	**51**	**3**	**1**

EMERGENCY MEDICAL RESPONSE

NON-RESIDENT - BASIC LIFE SUPPORT

Nature of Call	Number of Pts.	Refusals	No Pt. Contact	To ABMC	To Glenbrook	To LGH	To NWCH	To RES	Other
Assault	13	6	0	0	0	7	0	0	0
Bicycle	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Burn	2	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Cardiac	6	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Chemical Abuse	43	5	1	2	0	30	4	0	1
Fall	46	21	0	2	0	19	1	1	2
Invalid Assist	8	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
Medical	191	101	1	5	0	51	13	1	19
Motorcycle	5	3	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
OB	5	3	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Pedestrian	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0
Psychological	71	3	0	0	0	54	10	0	4
Stabbing	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Trauma	66	22	0	4	1	33	5	0	1
Triple O	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8
Vehicle Accident	500	374	0	7	1	83	25	0	10
Non- Resident BLS Totals	**969**	**546**	**2**	**20**	**2**	**281**	**60**	**3**	**55**
Non-Resident	**1,503**	**563**	**2**	**43**	**3**	**719**	**111**	**6**	**56**

APPARATUS

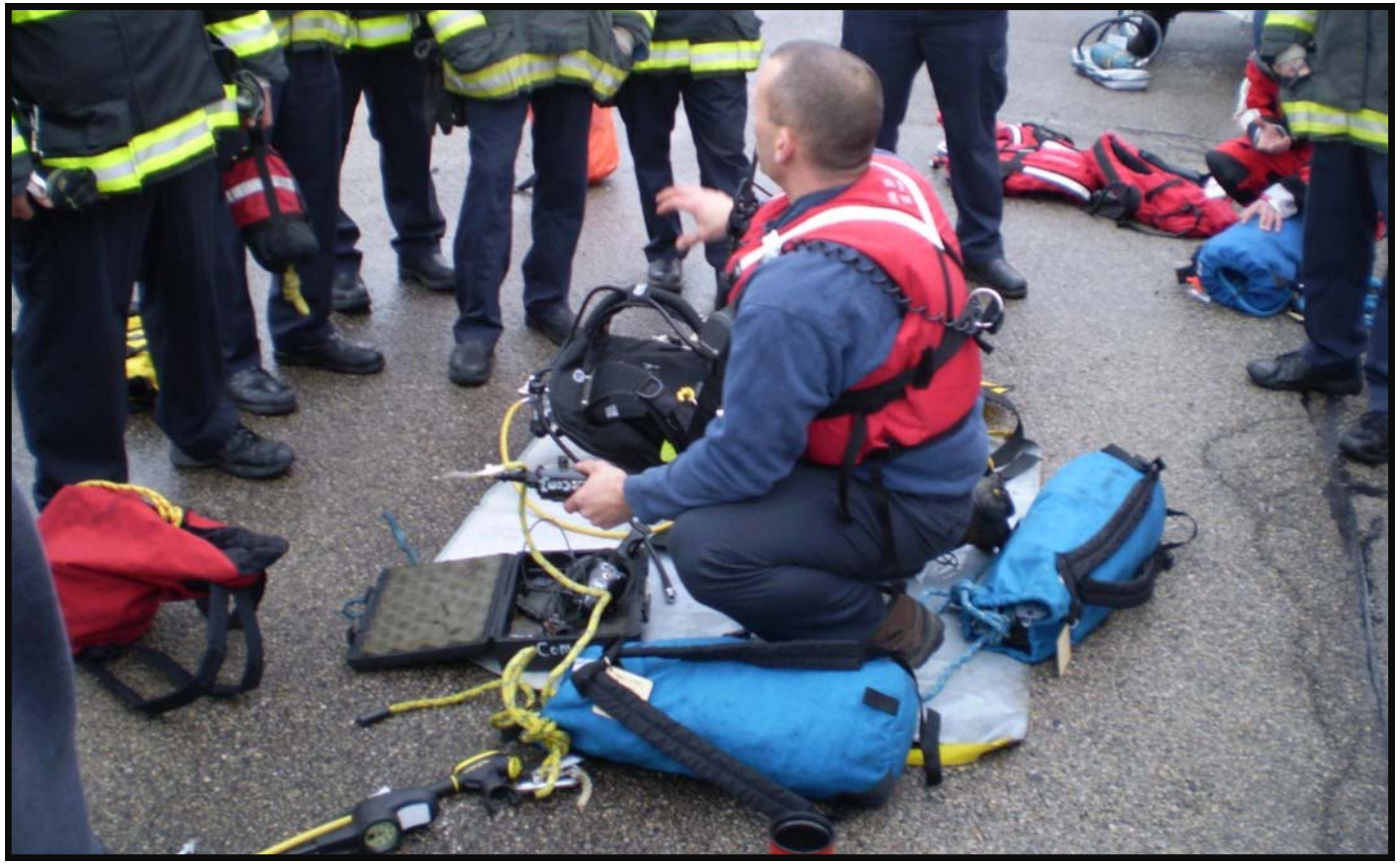
FIRE DEPARTMENT VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENT

ASSIGNED	RADIO #	VEHICLE
	MOBILE INTENSIVE CARE UNITS	
Station #1	71	2008 Ford E-450
Station #1	74	2005 Ford E-450
Station #2	72	2006 Ford E-450
Station #3	73	2007 Ford E-450
Reserve	75	2000 Ford E-350
	ENGINES	
Station #1	61	2005 Pierce
Station #2	62	2005 Pierce
Station #3	63	2009 Pierce
Reserve	64	1995 E One
	TRUCKS	
Station #1	81	2006 Pierce
Station #3	83	1990 Simon LTI
	SPECIALIZED VEHICLES	
Station #3	79H	2008 Haz Mat Trailer
Station #3	79	2008 Ford F-350
Station #1	78	1995 E450 (Dive Squad)
Station #3	59	1995 Chevy Pick-up (Fuel Truck)
Station #1	Battalion 9R	2004 Excursion
Station #1		2010 Patten Boat & Trailer
Station #1	56	1999 Dodge Pick-up
Station #1	Battalion 9	2008 Ford Expedition
Fire Prevention Division	54	1997 Ford E-350 Fire Investigation

FIRE DEPARTMENT VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENT (cont.)

ASSIGNED		VEHICLE
	ADMINISTRATION AUTOMOBILES	
Administration	60	2007 Ford Explorer
Administration	70	2005 Ford Explorer
Administration	80	2006 Ford Explorer
Fire Prevention	85	2001 Chevy Impala
Fire Prevention	87	2006 Ford Explorer
Fire Prevention	FPB	1996 Jeep Cherokee
Administration	93	2006 Ford Explorer
Administration/EMS	94	2005 Ford Explorer
Administration/Training	95	2006 Ford Explorer

TRAINING DIVISION



TRAINING DIVISION

In - Service Training /Activity - Firefighter Continuing Education

Month	Topic	Training Hours
January	Building Familiarization, Image Trend **Div. III - Pool/Basic Skiils, Ice Dive, Haz Mat**	4032.69
February	Building Familiarization, Image Trend, Skill Set **Div. I & III Ice Dive, Haz Mat, Rope, Inventory**	4049.82
March	Building Familiarization, Metra Train Awareness, Hydraulics, Fire Prevention & Inspection **Div. I & III - Confined Space , ResPulse, Lake Ops/Ice**	4355.90
April	Building Familiarization, Apparatus Training, Fall Protection, MDT, Hydrant Testing **Div. III - Trench, Sonar, HazMat Response, Night Dive, Multi-Company , RAE Training**	4700.03
May	Building Familiarization, Hydrant Testing, Engineer Training, Dive Boat **Div. III - Multi- Company Training, RAE Training, Team Drill, Sonar , Trench, Swift Water Rescue**	4361.75
June	Building Familiarization, Company Inspections, MDT, Tank Farm, Ground Ladder **Div I & III - Course Training, Team Drill, Boat & Lake Ops, Response Drill**	4155.79
July	River's Casino Familiarization, Ground Ladder **Div. III - Rope, Com. Units, Inventory**	4393.35
August	Building Familiarization, Ground Ladder, Hose Testing **Div. III - Rope, Boat & Lake Ops, Team Drill**	4462.65
September	Building Familiarization, Water Treatment Tour, Hose Testing **Div. I & III - Confined Space, Sonar Tech, Team Drill, Collapse: Shoring, Multi-Company Training**	3884.30
October	Building Familiarization, Fire Prevention Week, Pump Testing, Aerial Ladder Testing, Slope Evacuation **Div. I & III - Structural Collapse, Night Dive**	3756.25
November	Building Familiarization, Pump Testing , Aerial Ladder Testing **Div. I & III Vehicle Stabization, Shore Patterns, TRT, HazMat**	3301.74
December	Building Familiarization, Officer Training, Survival 2012,, Ice Rescue , Field Bridge, Ground Ladder **Div. I & III Vehicle Stabilization, Response Drill**	3859.26
	Total In-Service Training/Activity Hours	**49,313.53**

TRAINING DIVISION

OUT OF DEPARTMENT TRAINING - 2,148 Hours

Firefighter & Officer - Continuing Education

Acting Officer Boot Camp
Art of Reading Smoke
Fire Apparatus Engineer
Fire & Arson Investigation I
Fire & Arson Investigation II
Fire & Arson Investigation III
Fire Ground Command Officer
Fire Prevention Principles
Fire Service Leadership
High Rise Standpipe Operations
Incident Command Boot Camp
Incident Safety Officer
Infection Control Officer
Instructor I
Instructor II
Leadership Company Level
Level II EMS Instructor
Management I
Management II
Management III
Management VI
NFPA Compliant Inspections & Cleaning
Rope Operations
Smoke Divers
Structural Collapse Technician
Tactical Decision Making
Tactics & Strategy I
Tactics & Strategy II
Technical Rescue Awareness
Vehicle & Machinery Operations
Vehicle & Machinery Technician
Wind Driven Fires

Office of the State Fire Marshal Certifications

Firefighter III
Fire Prevention Principals
Leadership/Management I, II, III
Fire Instructor I, II
Fire Inspector I
Fire Officer I
Tactics & Strategy I & II
Fire Dept. Incident Safety Officer
Fire Investigator
Arson Investigator
Haz Mat Incident Command
Technical Rescue Awareness
Vehicle/Machinery Operations
Vehicle/Machinary Technician
Rope Operations
Dive Rescue

TRAINING DIVISION

EMS TRAINING

Paramedic Training (EMT-P)

Month	Topic	Independent Study	Total Training Hours per Month
January	Field Bridge Report Training	114 hrs	280.5hrs
February	Cardiac Arrest Management	113 hrs	322.50 hrs
March	MVI/MCI	160 hrs	333.75
April	SOP Review	106 hrs	362.25 hrs
May	Independent Study	24 hrs	24 hrs
June	Independent Study	6 hrs	6 hrs
July	Trauma Case Studies	88 hrs	187 hrs
August	Stroke	92 hrs	180.75 hrs
September	Trauma Assessment	104 hrs	221.4 hrs
October	Pediatrics	102 hrs	212.50 hrs
November	Airway Practical Exam	102 hrs	212 hrs
December	Field Bridge Refusal Documentation		4 hrs
	Total	**1011 hrs**	**2346.65 hrs**

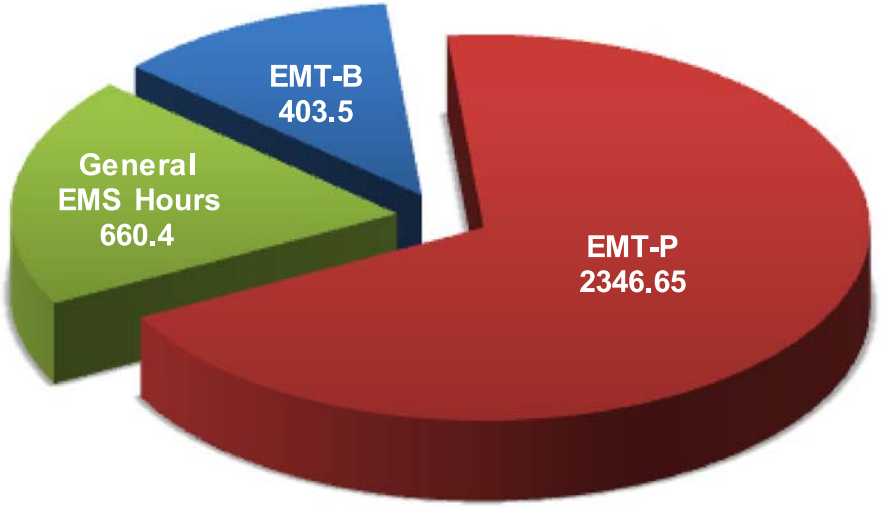
EMT- General/Basic Training (EMT-B)

January	General EMS	20.25 hrs
February	Cardiac Arrest Management- Mass Casualty	18.7 hrs
March	MVI/MCI - Mass Casualty	70 hrs
April	SOP Review - Mass Casualty	14 hrs
May	Water Rescue/ CPR Recertification	336 hrs
June	CPR Recertification	24.5 hrs
July	Respiratory Problems/ CPR Recertification/	197.1 hrs
August	Deaf & Hard of Hearing Responder Awareness/Mass Casualty	109.35 hrs
September	EDD Update - Adult AED/Mass Casualty	123 hrs
November	Responder Wellness & Fitness/Mass Casualty	87 hrs
December	General EMS/Mass Casualty	64 hrs
	Total	**1063.9 hrs**

TRAINING DIVISION

Topic	Total Training Hours per Topic
Mass Casualty	67.5 hrs
Annual CPR Recertification	231 hrs
General EMS Training	361.90 hrs
EMT - Basic Continuing Education	403.5 hrs
EMT P - Independent Study	1,011 hrs
EMT P - Continuing Education	1,282.65 hrs
EMT P - Practical	53 hrs
Total	**3,410.55 hrs**

TOTAL ANNUAL HOURS OF EMS TRAINING - 3,410.55

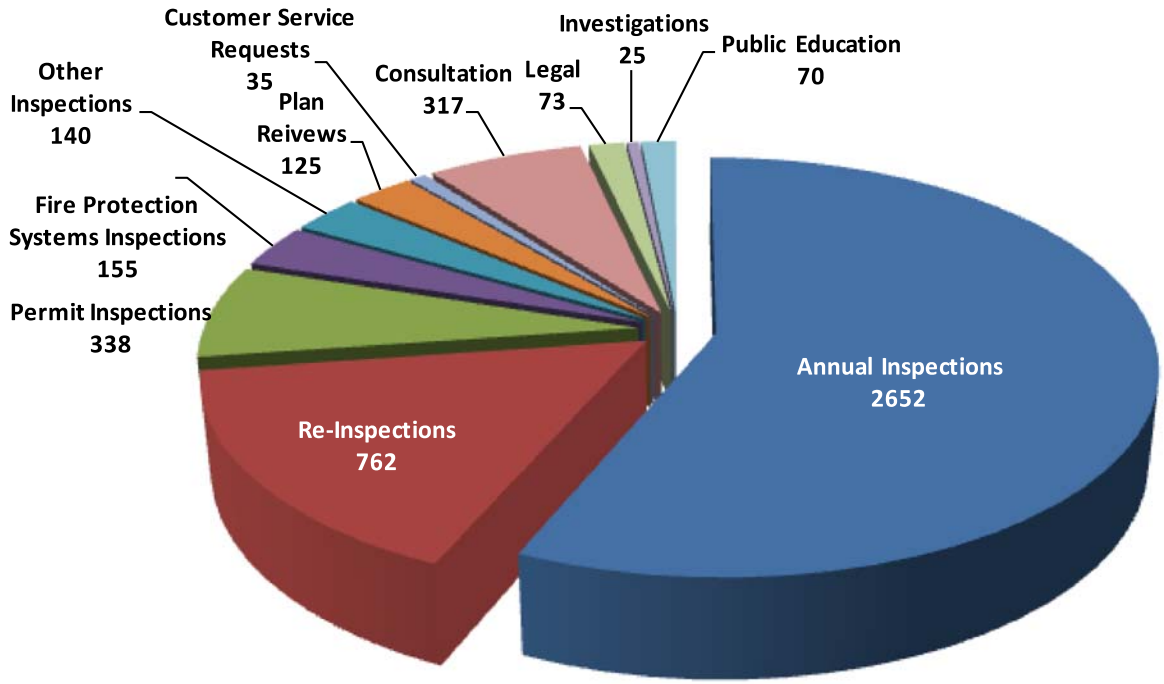


FIRE PREVENTION DIVISION

FIRE PREVENTION DIVISION ACTIVITIES

Annual Inspection	Inspection of Commercial, Institutional and Multi-Family Dwellings	2,652
Re-Inspections	Re-inspection of Commercial, Institutional and Multi-Family Dwellings	762
Permit Inspections	Rough/Temporary Occupancy/Final Inspection Business License/ Fire Protection System Inspection	338
Other Inspections	Storage Tank Removal/Fire Lane Survey/Residential Rental/Key Box/ Other	140
Plan Reviews	General/Site/Fire Protection/Fire Alarm/Sprinkler System/Building/Structural/ Mechanical/Permit/Other	125
Customer Service Requests	General/Citizen/Department/Fire/Housing Safety/Other	35
Consultation	Fire Protection/Fire Alarm/Sprinkler System/Building/Hazardous Operations/Permit/ License/Assembly/Other	317
Legal	Citation/Court Appearance/Freedom of Information/Other	73
Investigations	Fire Cause & Origin/Other	25
	160 Hours of Public Education Activities	70
	TOTAL FIRE PREVENTION DIVISION EVENTS	4,692

2011 FIRE PREVENTION DIVISION ACTIVITY BREAKDOWN



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Re-Inspections	762
Permit Inspections	338
Fire Protection Systems Inspections	155
Other Inspections	140
Plan Reviews	125
Customer Service Requests	35
Consultation	317
Legal	73
Investigations	25
Public Education Activities	70

FIRE LOSS

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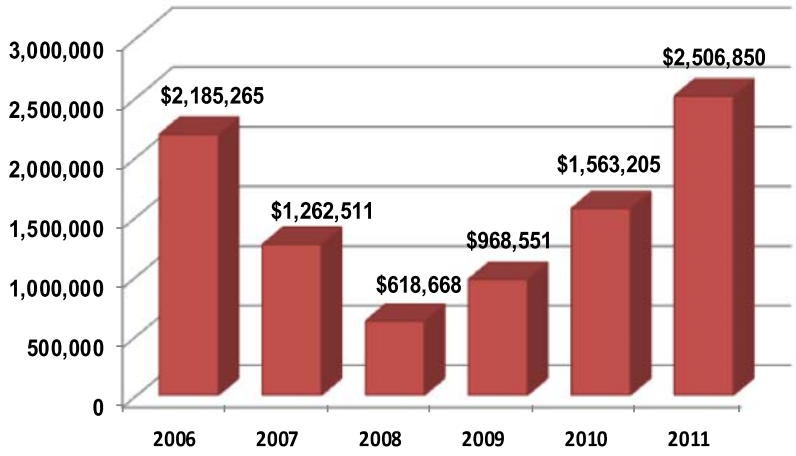
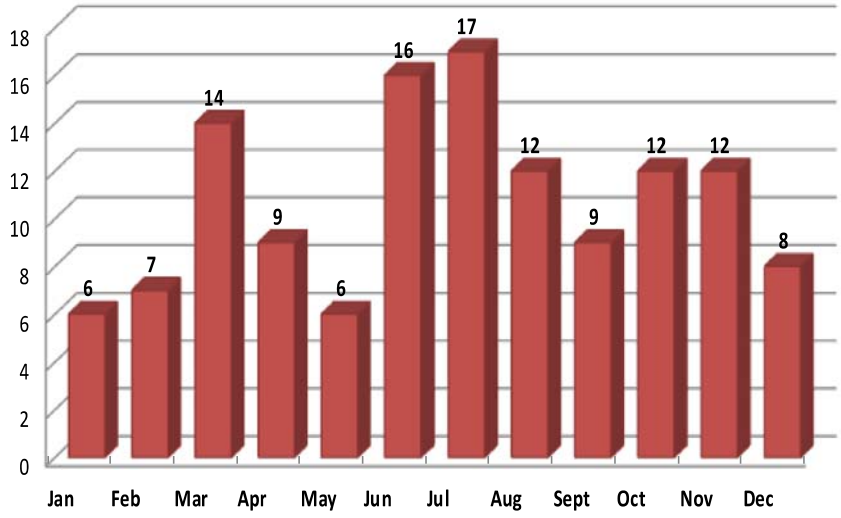
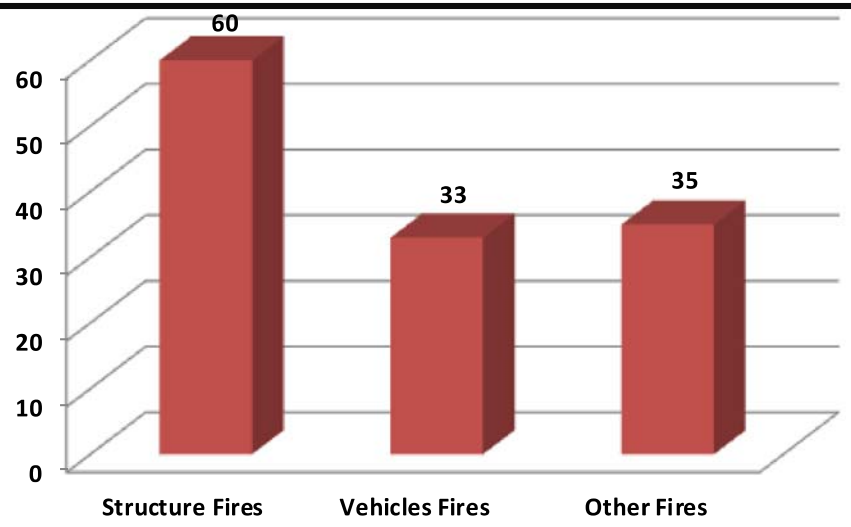
HISTORY OF ESTIMATED FIRE LOSS



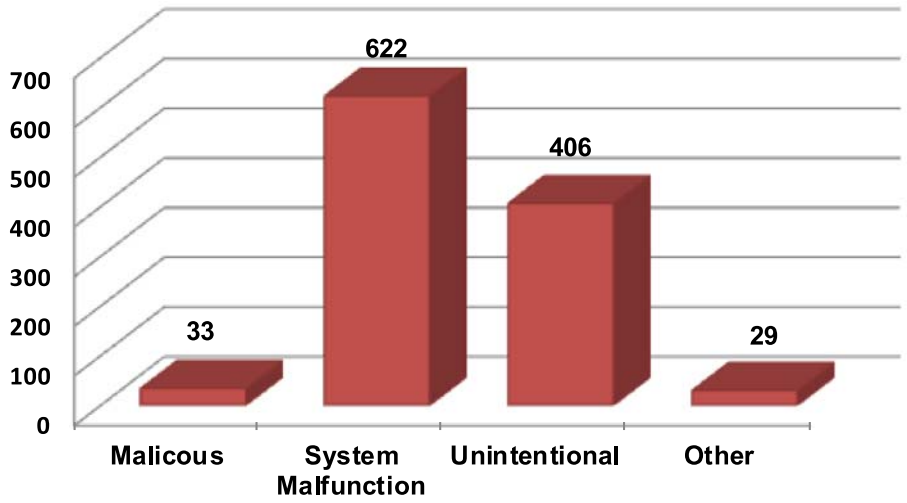
MONTHLY ACCOUNT OF FIRES



FIRES BY TYPE OF SITUATION



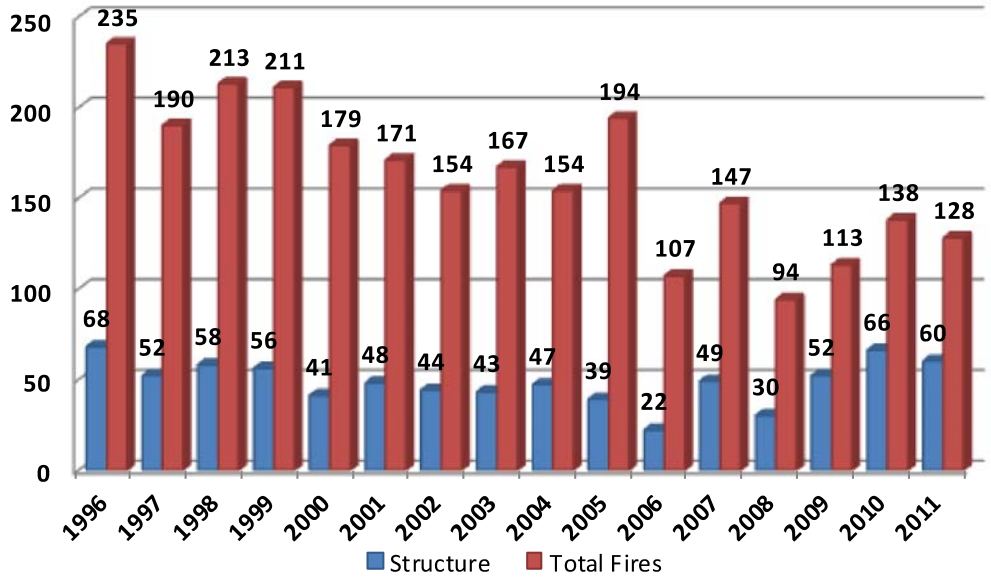
CAUSES OF FALSE FIRE ALARMS IN DES PLAINES - 1,090 TOTAL



FIRES WITH THE GREATEST LOSS

Location	Property Type	Loss
Northwest Hwy & Mt Prospect Rd	Railroad	$1,510,000
75 Bradrock	Manufacturing, Processing	$400,000
1372 Fargo	Single Family	$100,000
213 Ardmore	Single Family	$55,000
555 Howard	Manufacturing, Processing	$40,000
803 Beau Dr.	Single Family	$40,000

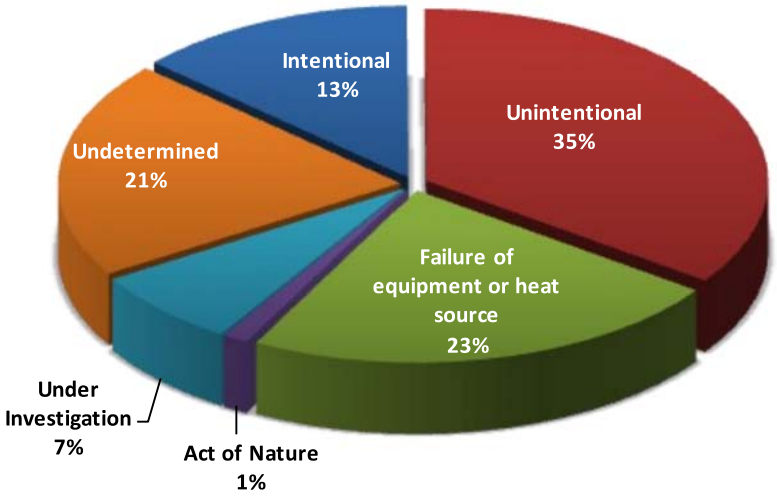
HISTORY OF FIRE INCIDENTS



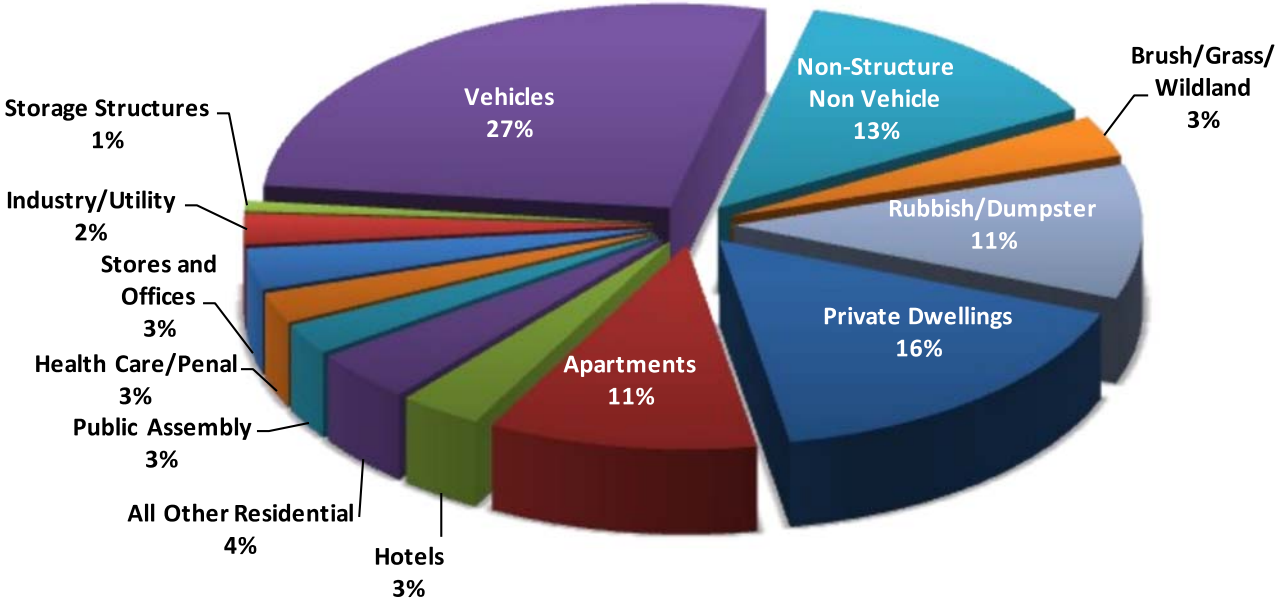
FIRE RELATED INJURIES TO CITIZENS BY STRUCTURE TYPE

Industrial Fires	3
Residential Structures	4

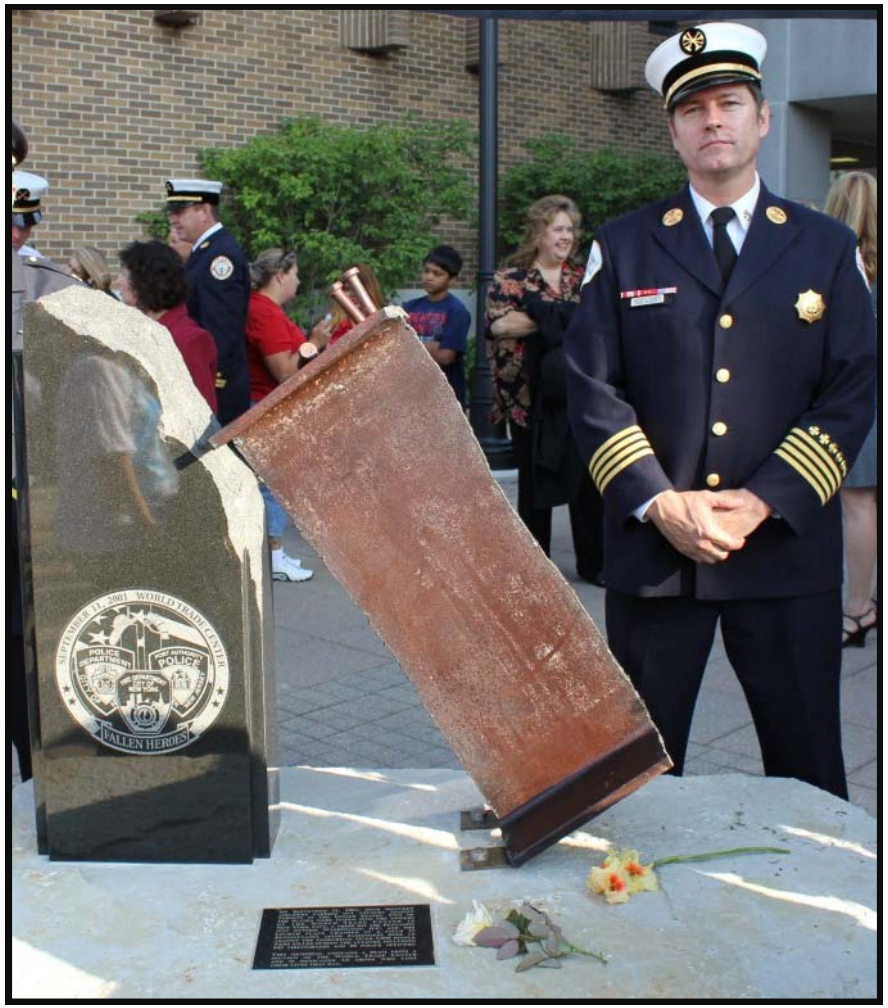
CAUSE OF FIRES



TYPES OF OCCUPANCIES WHERE FIRES OCCURED

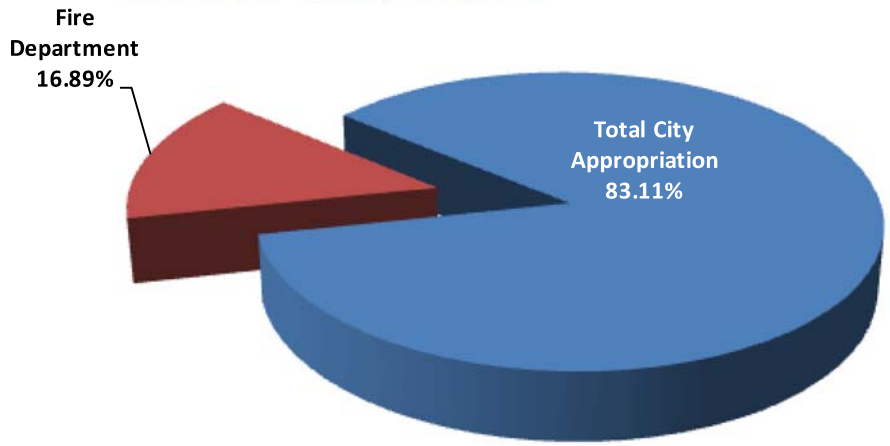


BUDGET

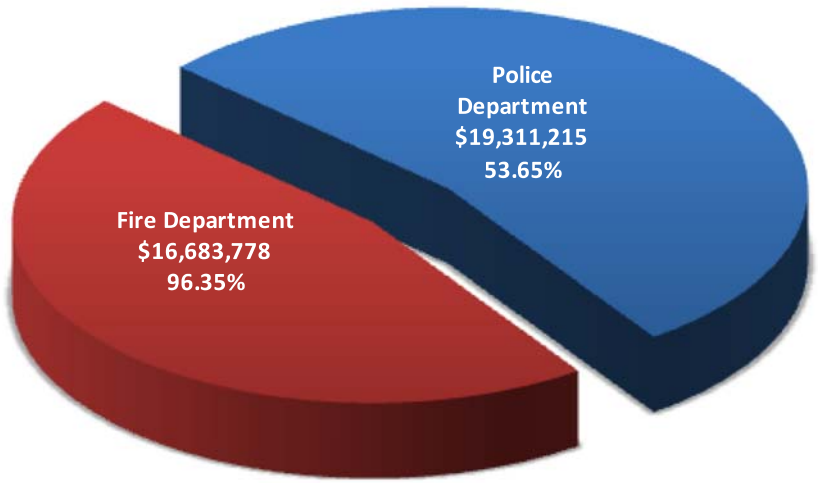


BUDGET COMPARISON

TOTAL CITY APPROPRIATION - $98,753,198

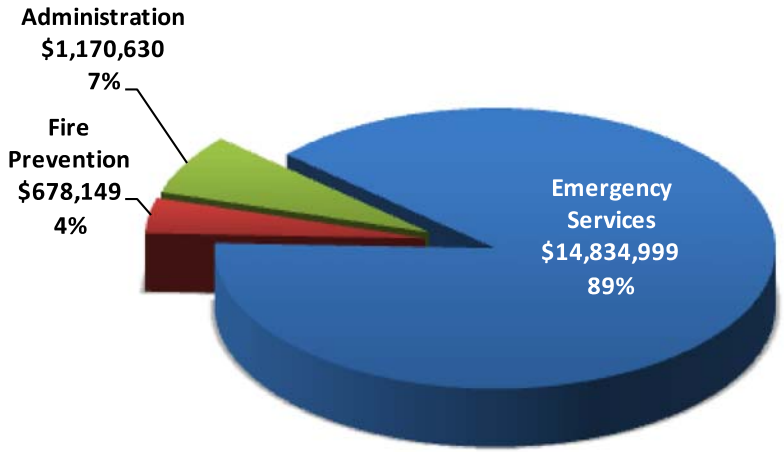


PUBLIC SAFETY BUDGET - $35,994,993

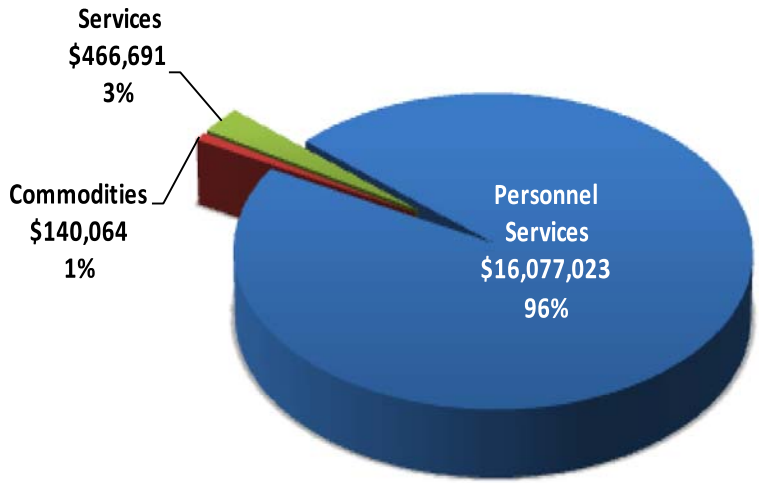


BUDGET COMPARISON

FIRE DEPARTMENT DIVISIONS - $16,683,778



FIRE DEPARTMENT BUDGET



FIRE DEPARTMENT REVENUE & GRANTS

Donations to Fire Department and Educational Fund by Individuals, Companies and Organizations		$600.00
American Water Grant		$1,500.00
	Donations	
Mid- States Recycling, Inc	$300.00	
Mrs. Peggy Goulding	$100.00	
Buchholz Family	$200.00	
	$600.00	
Copy Charges		$335.00
State School Reimbursement (schools from 1/1/11 to 12/30/11)		$3,242.96
False Alarms		$32,312.50
Foreign Fire Insurance Tax		$90,052.87
USAR Reimbursement		$17,733.93
HazMat Reimbursement		$1,084.49
MABAS Reimbursement		$1,075.95
CPR Reimbursement		$1,115.74
Ambulance Fees		$1,281,387.00
Total		**$1,428,940.44**

BOARD OF FIRE AND POLICE COMMISSIONERS

COMMISSIONER ARTHUR LUKOWICZ (CHAIRMAN)

COMMISSIONER DEBRA LESTER

COMMISSIONER MICHAEL ALBRECHT

BOARD OF FIRE AND POLICE COMMISSIONERS

The objective of the Des Plaines Board of Fire and Police Commissioners is to provide the citizens of the City of Des Plaines with professional Fire and Police Departments through fair and impartial hiring, promotion and disciplinary processes

The Board is composed of three volunteer members, appointed by the Mayor with the approval of the City Council. The Board is responsible for administering the testing processes and selection and hiring of new recruits, as well as promotions within the sworn ranks of the Fire and Police Departments. It is also responsible for maintaining Rules and Regulations, as well as implementing changes that may be required. The Board also conducts hearings for suspension and termination of sworn members of the departments.

In 2011 the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners hired four police officers and promoted four officers to the rank of Sergeant in the Police Department.

The Board of Fire and Police Commissioners hired four firefighter/paramedics, and no promotions were made to the rank of Lieutenant in the Fire Department

The Board worked closely with the Fire and Police Departments to revise the Rules and Regulations due to new legislation. The Board also held disciplinary hearings for two Police Department employees in 2011.

The Board of the Fire and Police Commissioners would like to thank Mayor Moylan and the City Council for the trust and responsibility given them for the hiring and promoting of the best candidates to serve the City of Des Plaines.

Respectfully Submitted,

Arthur F. Lukowicz

Chairman