Des Plaines Fire Department

2013
ANNUAL REPORT

FIRE CHIEF'S LETTER

Mayor and Aldermen
Des Plaines Citizens
Fellow Staff Members

I am pleased to present the 2013 Annual Report for the Des Plaines Fire Department. The Department continues to move forward in developing and implementing initiatives that serve to enhance the services provided to the community. This report demonstrates the accomplishments of the organization during this past year. I hope you find it to be enjoyable and informative.

Emergency call volumes in 2013 remained relatively steady when compared to 2012. I am pleased to report, however, that structure fires and fire losses were reduced 14% and 57%, respectively. Fire losses were at the lowest level since 2008. It appears that our efforts in fire prevention are having a positive effect, much to the community's benefit.

Please note all the activity that occurred in the various divisions and special teams of the Department during the year. This activity is testament to the dedication and professionalism of our personnel. I am appreciative of their unending efforts — and congratulate them on their many accomplishments. Our personnel are the reason that this Fire Department is so successful and well-regarded. I thank them, and am very proud of them.

In April, we said farewell to long-time member Engineer Colin Carroll after nearly 29 years of service. His positive influence has been felt throughout the organization in many ways for many years, and his impact will remain. He will be sorely missed, but never forgotten. We thank him for his devotion to the City, Department, and fellow members — and we congratulate him on his retirement. We admire him as he continues to devote his life to service and faith as a missionary overseas. Our prayers are with you, Colin.

Congratulations also go to our members with milestone anniversaries, as shown on pages ?? to ??. Additionally, we welcomed Firefighters Daniel Garhan, Patrick Tennant, Edward Wilson, Thomas Bauer, and Paul Miller. We are glad to have them on the team, and we wish them well in their careers. Also, we welcome Pastor David Haley as the new Des Plaines Fire Department Chaplain. We appreciate Chaplain Haley's willingness to dedicate his personal time to serving our Department and the citizens of Des Plaines, and we look forward to his assistance and service.

We in the Des Plaines Fire Department are thrilled to be able to serve the citizens of this City. We thank Mayor Bogusz and the Aldermen for the opportunity to continue to provide excellent service efficiently and effectively. Their continued support of our organization provides us with the motivation and resources to be the best and provide the best service. Special thanks also are in order to City Manager Michael Bartholomew and the other City department heads for their continued support and collaboration. And most of all, thank you to the members of the community — our citizens who are so supportive of the Department and its members, and who frequently express their appreciation and backing. You are the reason we are here, and it is an honor to serve you.

Alan G. Wax

Alan G. Wax, Fire Chief

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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.

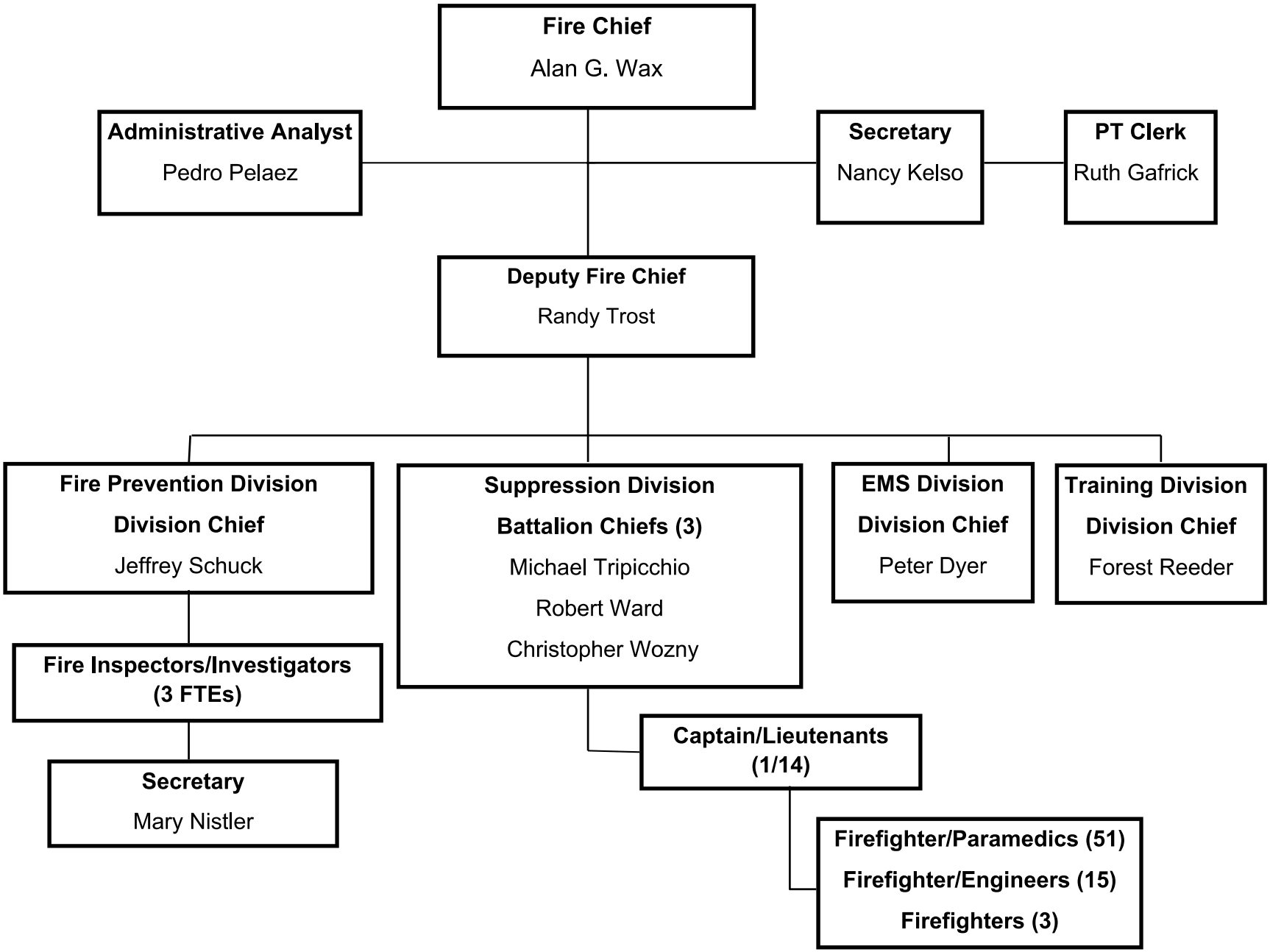
INTEGRITY We will work hard everyday to maintain the highest professional standards and to earn the public trust through our actions.

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.

PERSONNEL

ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



COMMAND STAFF

Fire Chief Alan G. Wax

Deputy Fire Chief Randy Trost

EMS Division Chief Pete Dyer

Training Division Chief Forest Reeder

Fire Prevention Division Chief Jeff Schuck

Battalion Chief Michael Tripicchio

Battalion Chief Robert Ward

Battalion Chief Christopher Wozny

FIRE DEPARTMENT ROSTER - 2013

ADMINISTRATION

Fire Chief Alan G. Wax

Deputy Chief Randy Trost

Secretary Nancy Kelso

Administrative Analyst Pedro Pelaez

P/T Clerk Ruth Gafrick

OPERATIONS

BLACK SHIFT	RED SHIFT	GOLD SHIFT
Battalion Chief Mike Tripicchio	Battalion Chief Bob Ward	Battalion Chief Chris Wozny
LT Greg Brown	CAPT Scott Pierson	LT William Butenschoen
LT Steve Ehas	LT Gary Despaltro	LT Brad Butler
LT Jim Hall	LT Richard Gross	LT Mike Iorio
LT Duane Owen	LT Tom Lewis	LT Dave Macri
LT Ken Palenik	LT Jeff Vallee	LT Guy Miller
ENGR Kevin Felde	ENGR Terry Dillon	ENGR John Foy
ENGR Bob Johnson	ENGR Mike Donovan	ENGR Jeffrey Gove
ENGR Matthew Matzl	ENGR Ted Lee	ENGR Brandon Hatch
ENGR Andy Swierczynski	ENGR Timothy Lynch	ENGR Jered Milton
ENGR Jim Utinans	ENGR James Mulvihill	ENGR Bill Szmergalski
FF/PM Tom Bauer	FF/PM Nicholas Ciaburri	FF/PM Steven Berndt
FF/PM Dave Bedrich	FF/PM Joseph Ciraulo	FF/PM Chris Bolsoni
FF/PM Ian Carroll	FF/PM Daniel Garhan	FF/PM Eric Chipman
FF/PM Michael DeLuca	FF/PM Lance Harm	FF/PM Brian Kinnare
FF/PM Sam Foster	FF/PM Chris Jannusch	FF/PM Michael Kirchoff
FF/PM Dan Hauser	FF/PM Mike Kiskowski	FF/PM Minas Klikas
FF/PM Brian Hoffman	FF/PM Robert McLaren	FF/PM Paul Miller
FF/PM Kevin Jones	FF/PM Christopher Moran	FF/PM Collin Moon
FF/PM Scott Korona	FF/PM Kevin Murphy	FF/PM Mike Mueller
FF/PM Eddie Mazzei	FF/PM Mark Pawlyk	FF/PM William Rice
FF/PM Russ Olish	FF/PM Shawn Quigel	FF/PM Brian Rieger
FF/PM Ryan Petty	FF/PM Jason Rychlik	FF/PM Edward Rogers
FF/PM Robert Prieto	FF/PM Sean Schielie	FF/PM Michael Shaughnessy
FF/PM Adam Rejowski	FF/PM Rich Schumann	FF/PM Eric Suevel
FF/PM Michael Rioch	FF/PM Lukasz Szerlag	FF/PM Patrick Tennant
FF/PM Daniel Schmidt	FF/PM Roger Wormley	FF/PM Max Verlinsky
FF/PM Edward Wilson	FF/PM Tony Zulfer	FF/PM Eric Zack
FF Dave Zitzer	FF Brian Carmichael	FF Frank Graham

Fire Prevention Division

Division Chief Jeff Schuck

Secretary Mary Gouskos

F/T Fire Inspector David Schuman

P/T Fire Inspector Joseph Cirualo

P/T Fire Inspector Jeffrey Gove

P/T Fire Inspector Kevin Jones

P/T Fire Inspector Timothy Lynch

P/T Fire Inspector Matthew Matzl

P/T Fire Inspector Ken Palenik

P/T Fire Inspector Williams Rice

P/T Fire Inspector Edward Rogers

P/T Fire Inspector Jim Utinans

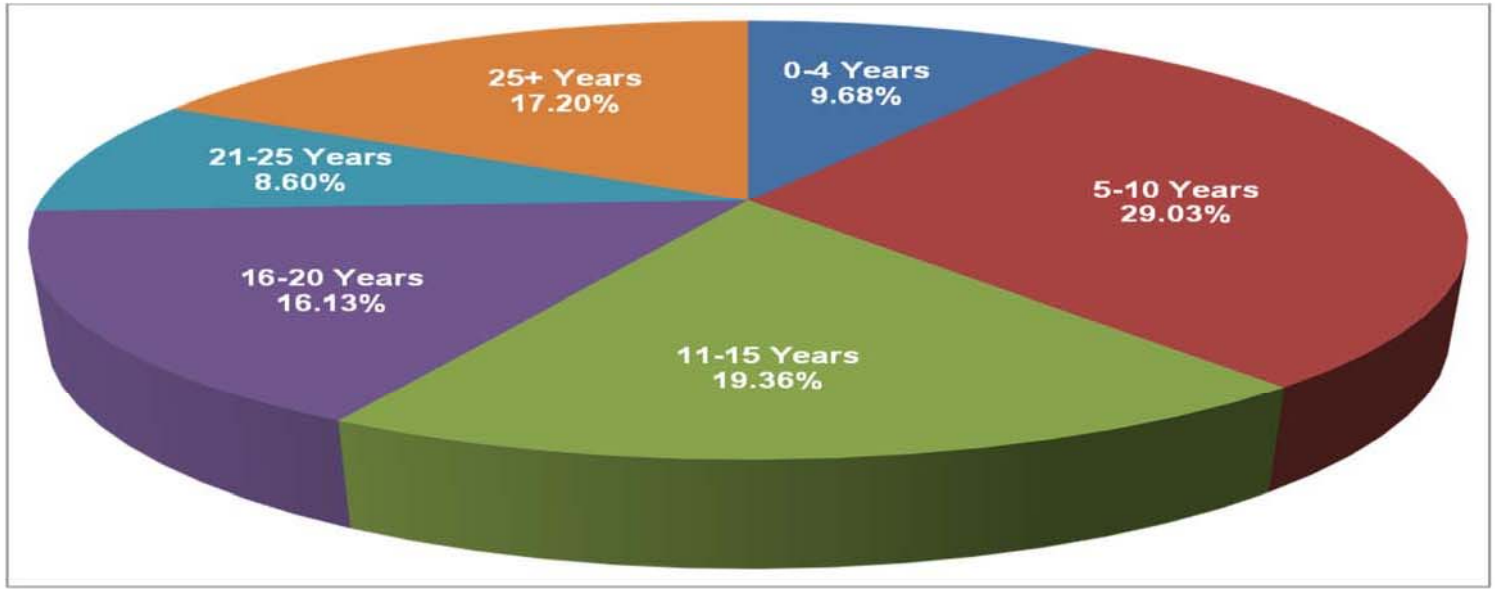
EMS Division

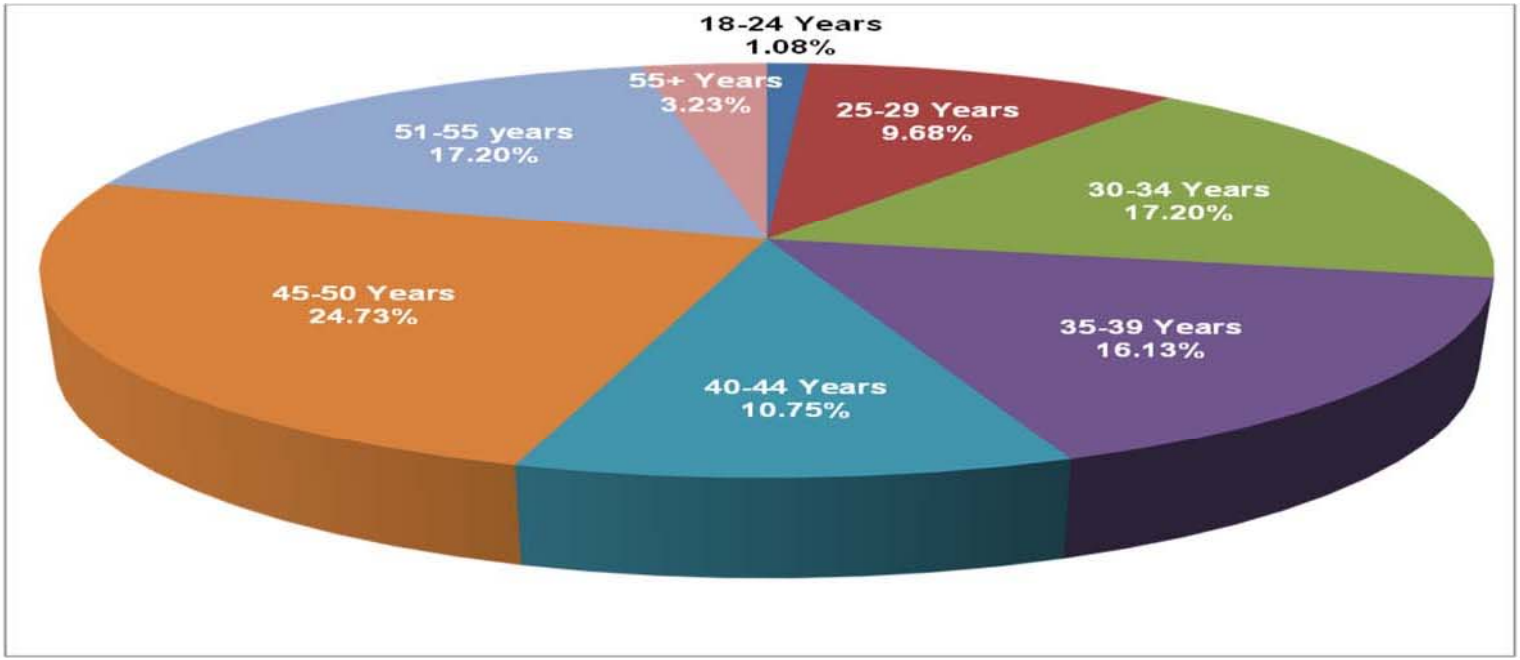
Division Chief Pete Dyer

Training Division

Division Chief Forest Reeder

YEARS OF SWORN PERSONNEL SERVICE





PERSONNEL CHANGES AND MILESTONES

Personnel	Change	Date
Daniel Garhan	Hired as FF/PM	January 2, 2013
Patrick Tennant	Hired as FF/PM	January 2, 2013
Edward Wilson	Hired as FF/PM	January 2, 2013
Brian Hoffman	Appointed Department Liaison to the Fire Corps	January 14, 2013
David Bedrich	Fifteen (15) Year Anniversary	February 17, 2013
Dan Hauser	Fifteen (15) Year Anniversary	February 17, 2013
Minas Klikas	Fifteen (15) Year Anniversary	February 17, 2013
Russ Olish	Fifteen (15) Year Anniversary	February 17, 2013
William Rice	Fifteen (15) Year Anniversary	February 17, 2013
Sam Foster	Ten (10) Year Anniversary	March 3, 2013
Scott Korona	Ten (10) Year Anniversary	March 3, 2013
Bob Johnson	Thirty (30) Year Anniversary	March 14, 2013
Jeffrey Cielocha	Resigned as FF/PM	April 11, 2013
Eric Willis	Resigned as FF/PM	April 11, 2013

PERSONNEL CHANGES AND MILESTONES (continued)

Personnel	Milestone	Date
Collin Carroll	Retired as Engineer	April 16, 2013
Ted Lee	Appointed as Engineer	May 5, 2013
Richard Gross	Twenty-Five (25) Year Anniversary	May 9, 2013
Terry Dillon	Twenty (20) Year Anniversary	May 10, 2013
Tom Bauer	Hired as FF/PM	July 1, 2013
Paul Miller	Hired as FF/PM	July 1, 2013
Randy Trost	Twenty-Five (25) Year Anniversary	July 18, 2013
David Haley	Appointed as Department Volunteer Chaplain	September 3, 2013
Mike Kiszkowski	Twenty (20) Year Anniversary	September 27, 2013
Roger Wormley	Twenty (20) Year Anniversary	September 27, 2013

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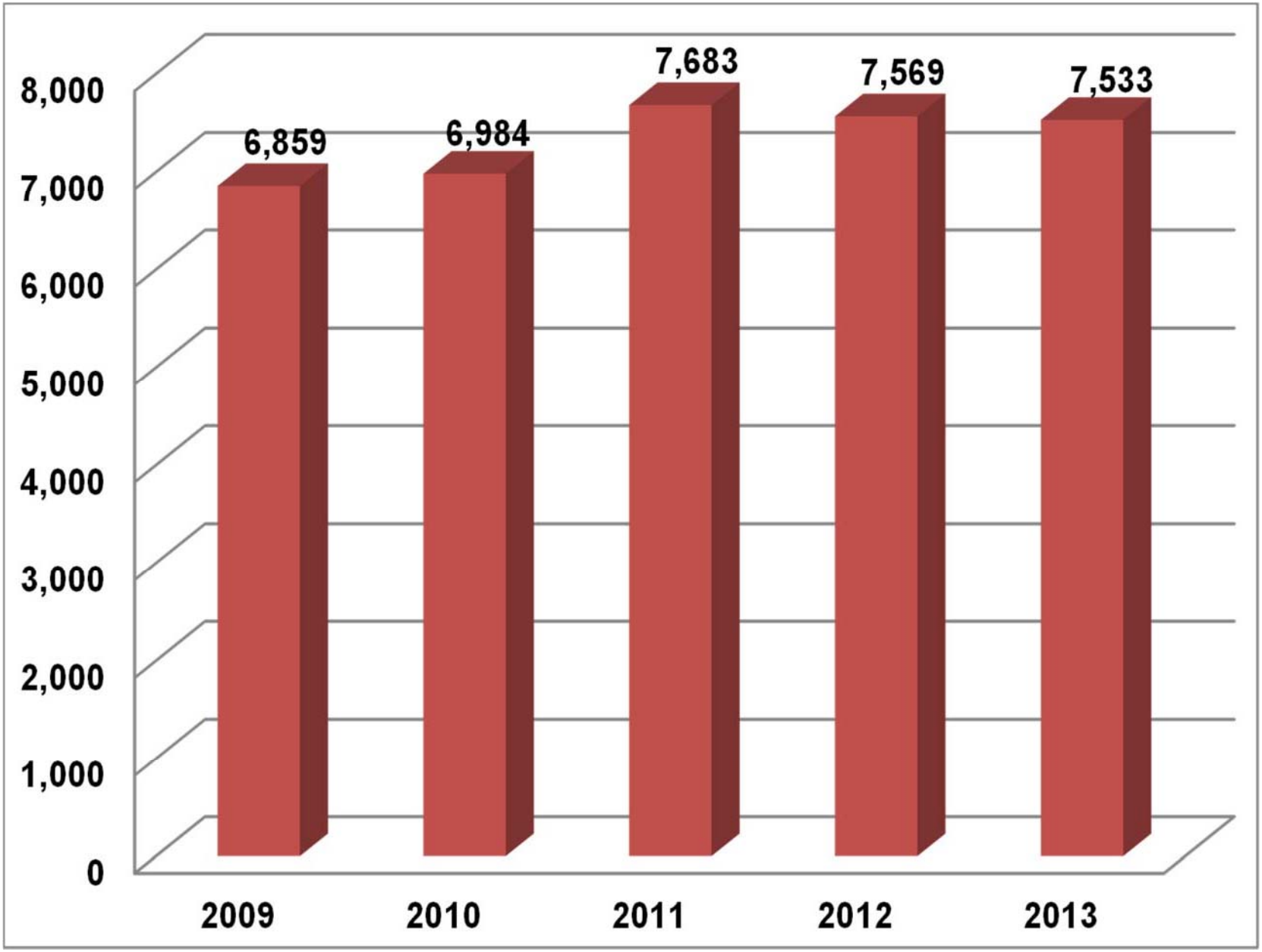
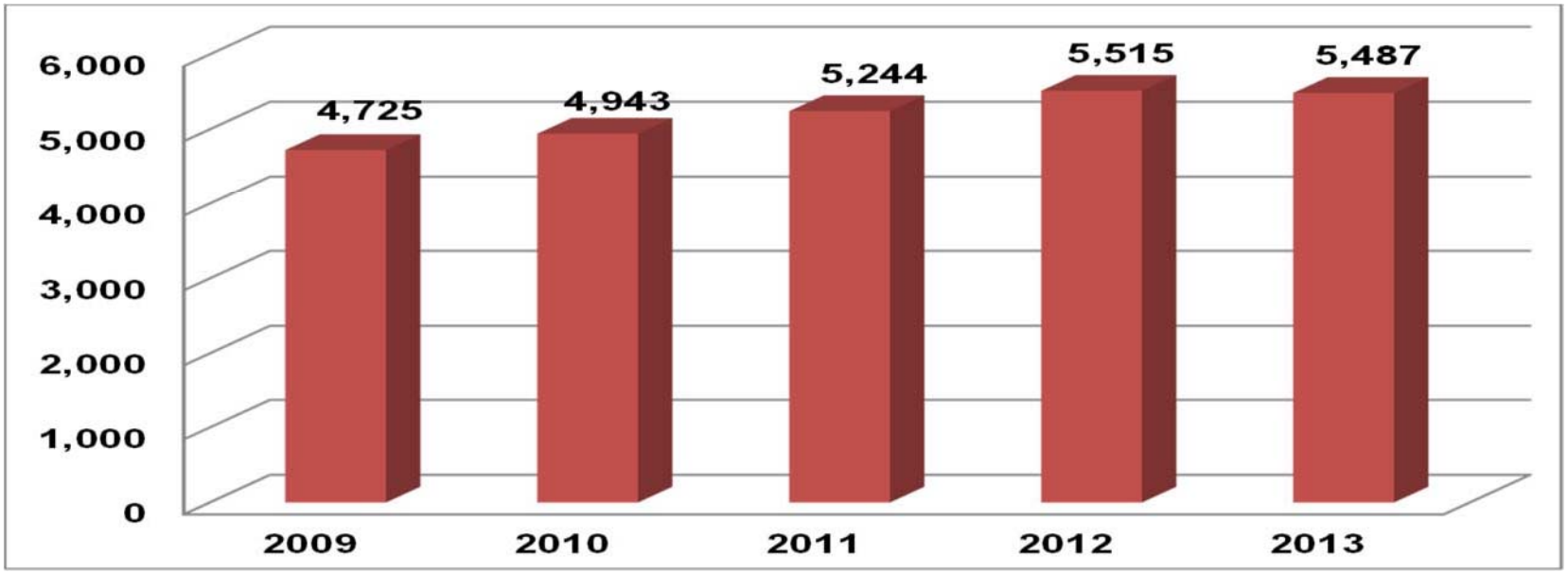
FIVE YEAR HISTORY OF RESPONSES

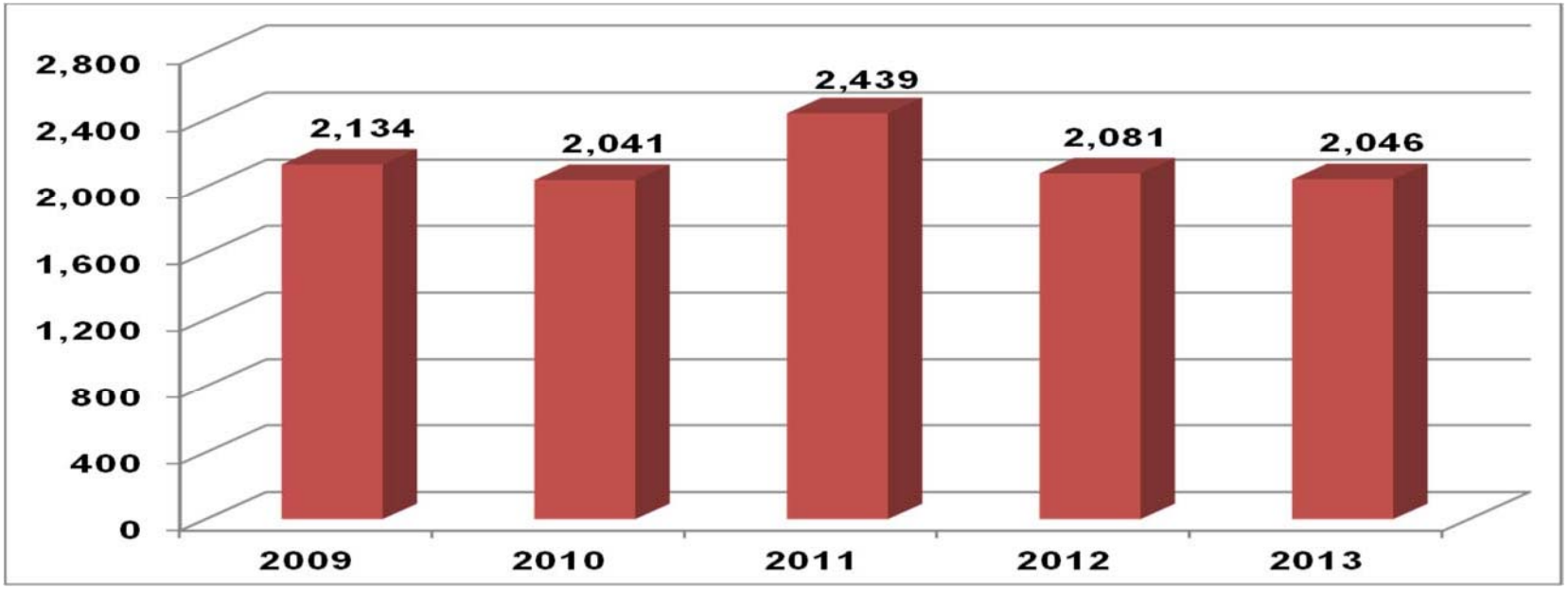
2013 TOTAL RESPONSES — 7,533



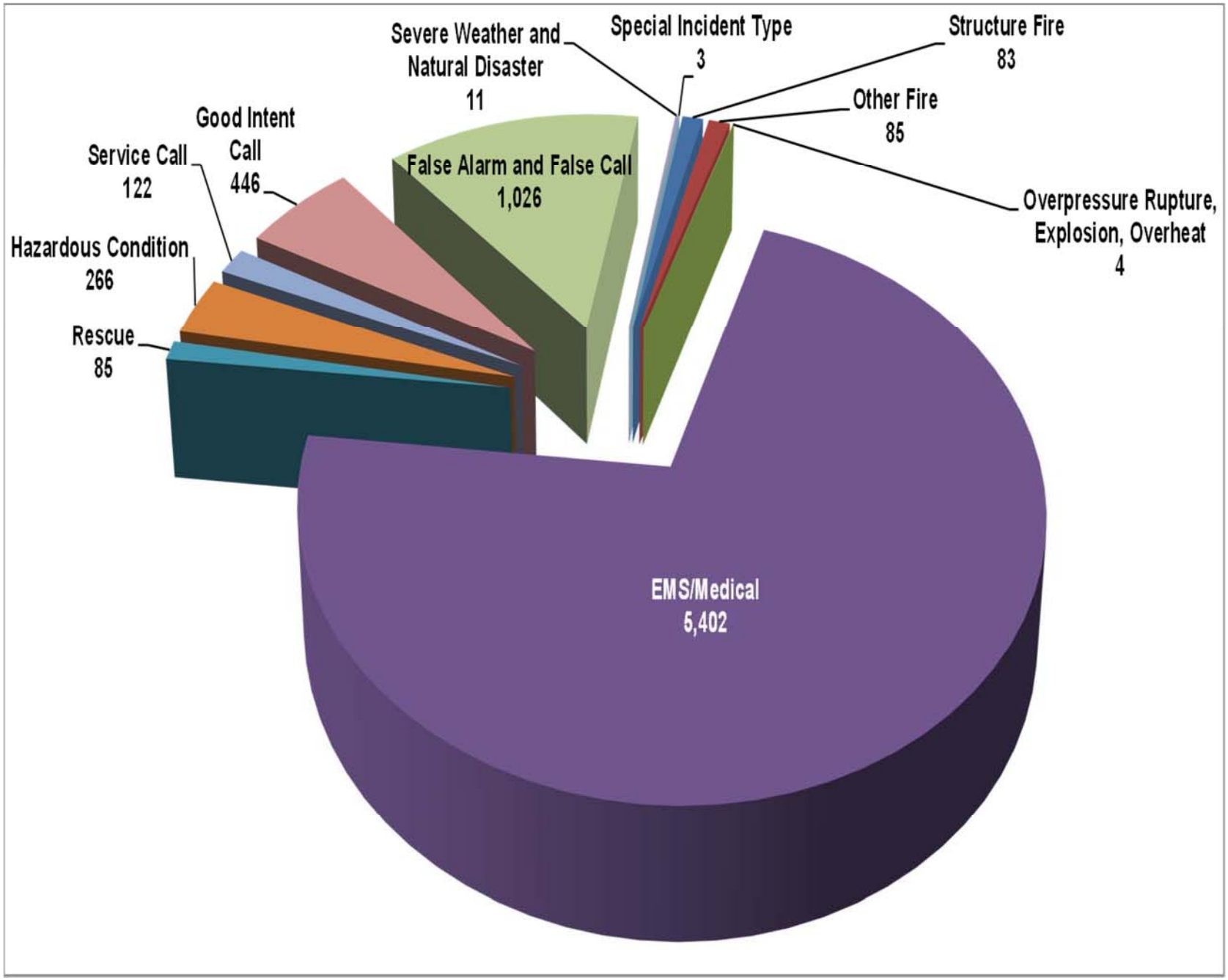
FIVE YEAR HISTORY OF FIRE DEPARTMENT RESPONSES

2013 MEDICAL RESPONSES — 5,487

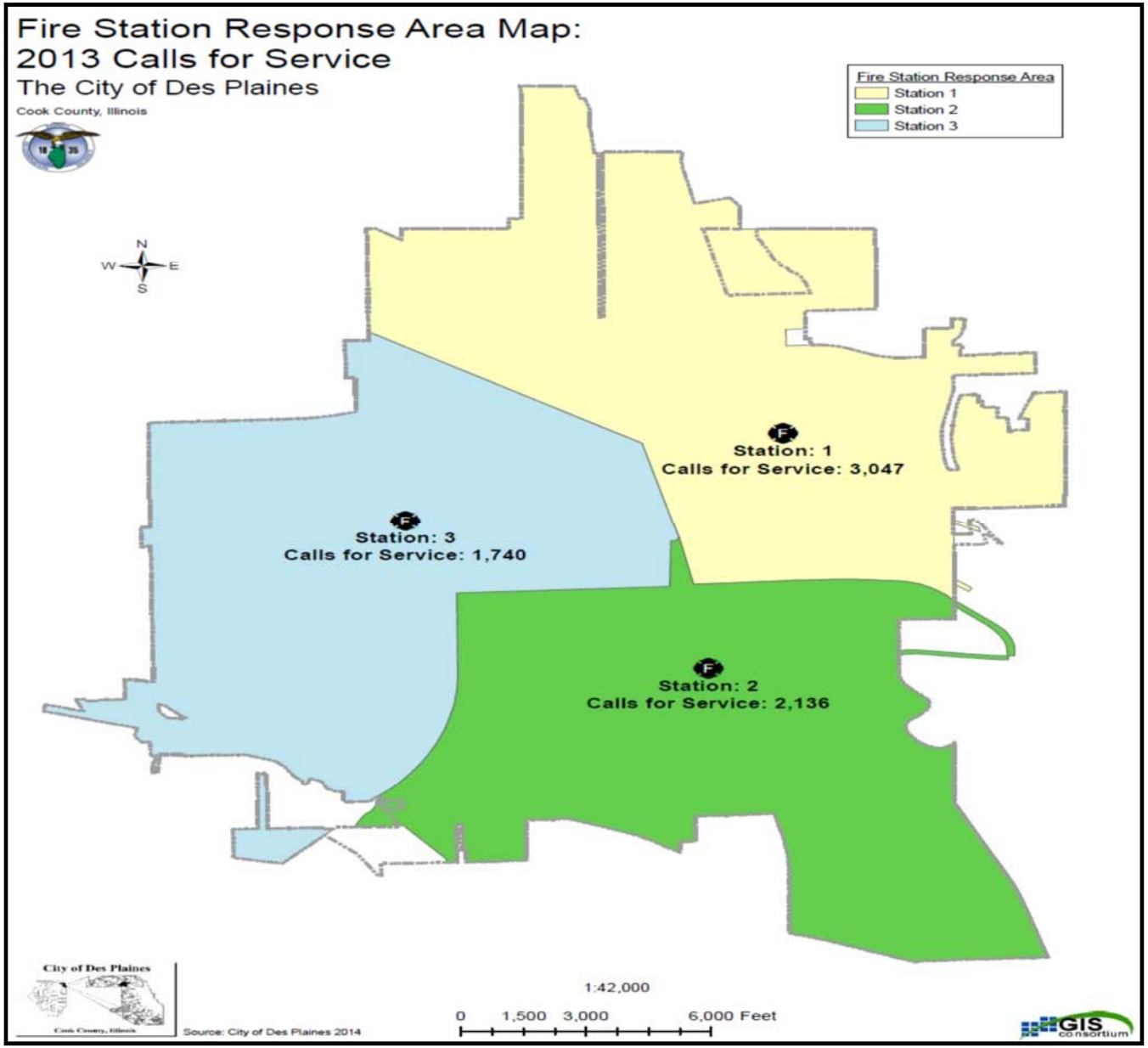




TOTAL RESPONSE TYPE BREAKDOWN

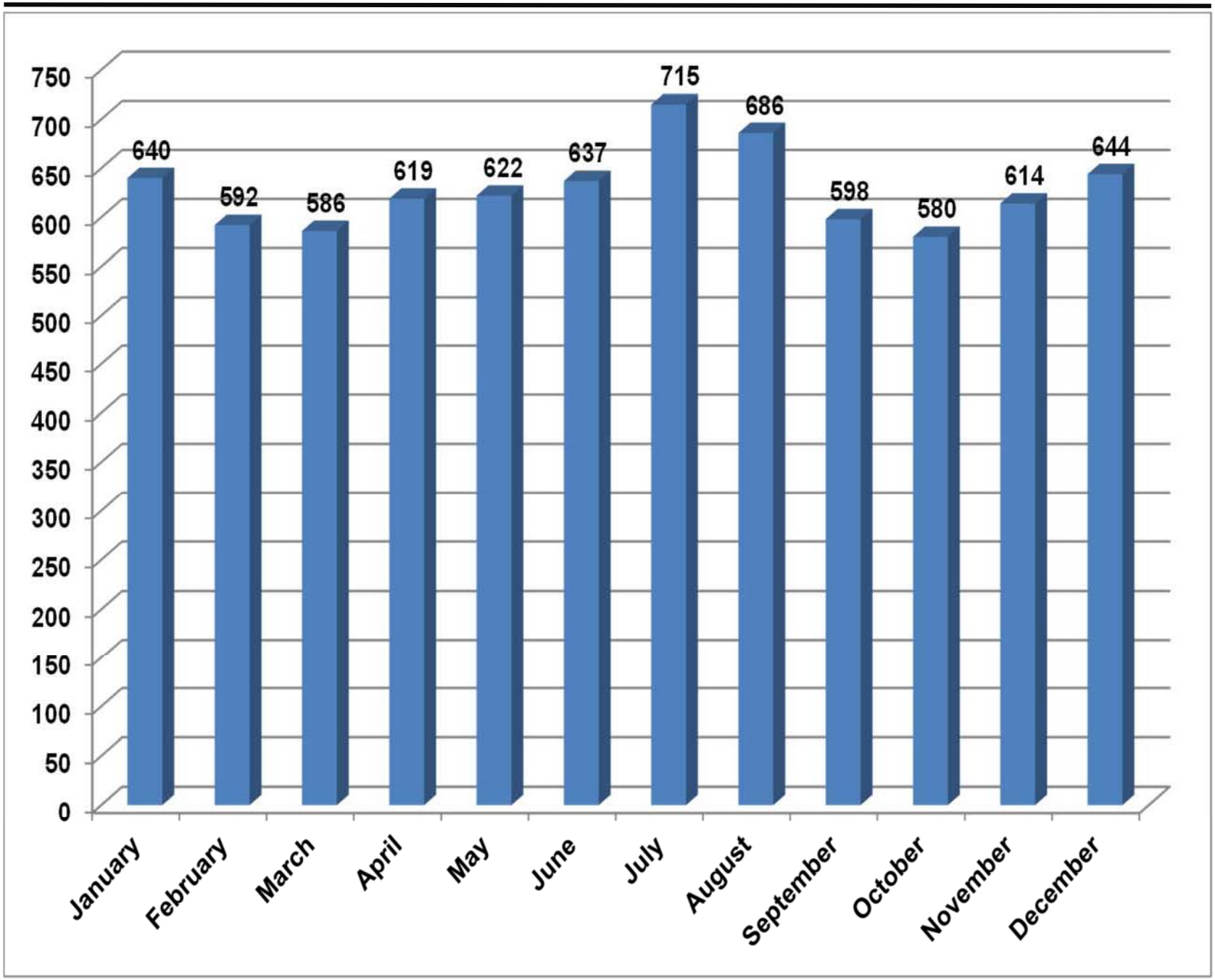


CALLS FOR SERVICE BY STATION BOUNDARY

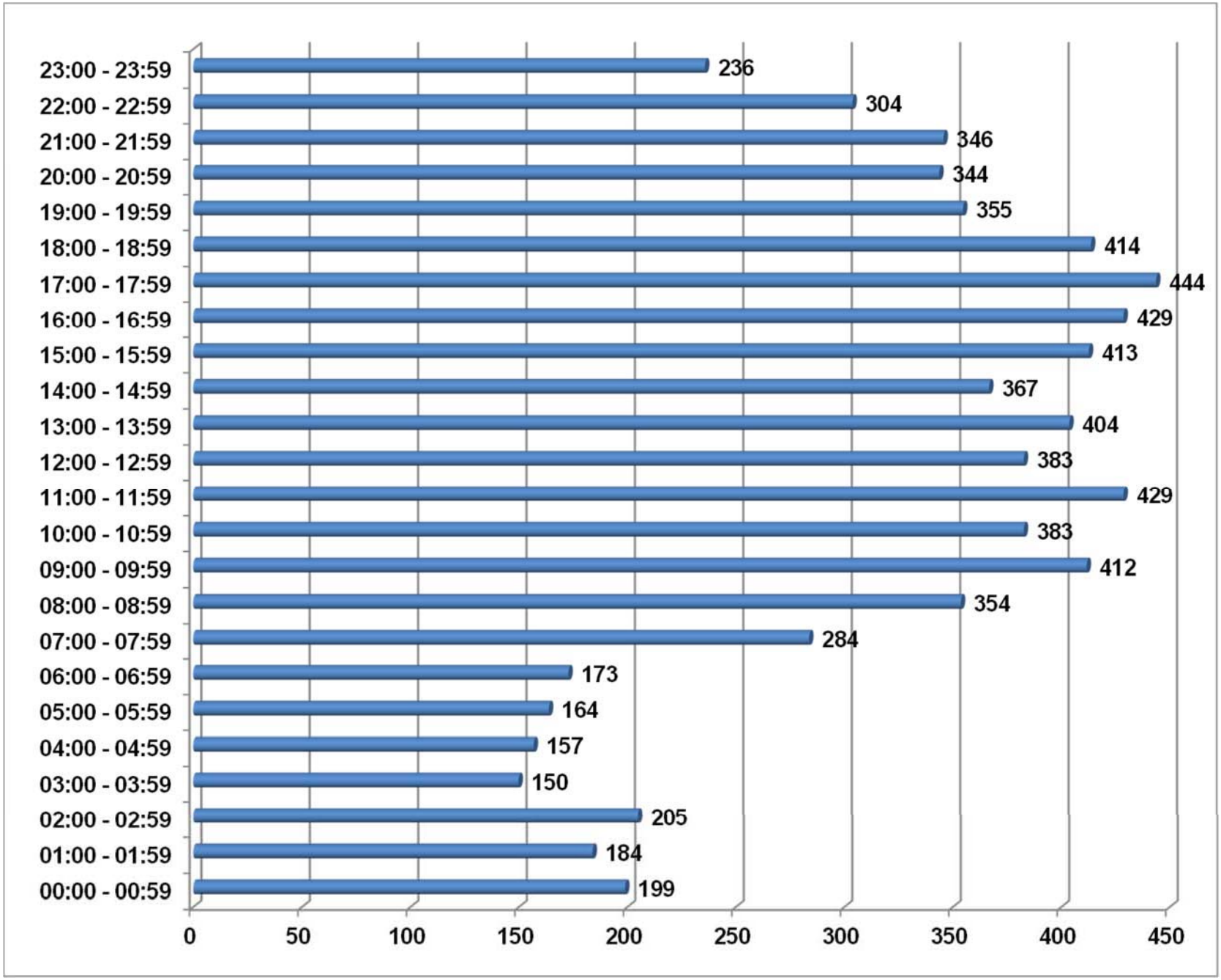


This map illustrates the calls that occurred in each station's response district. If the stations were already committed on a call, another station or fire department may have handled the call.

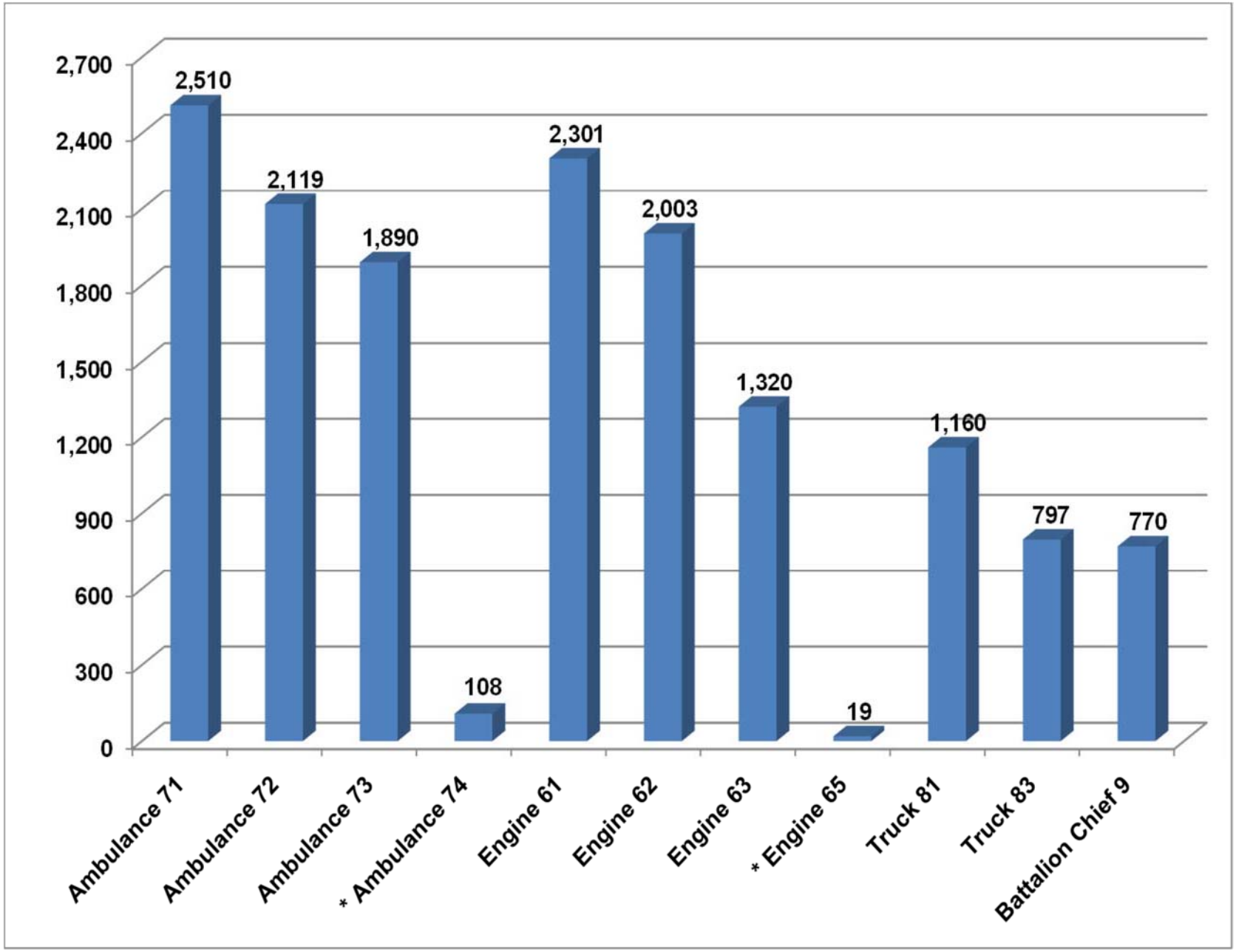
TOTAL DEPARTMENT MONTHLY RESPONSES



ALARM BREAKDOWN BY HOUR



TOTAL RESPONSES BY RESPONSE VEHICLE

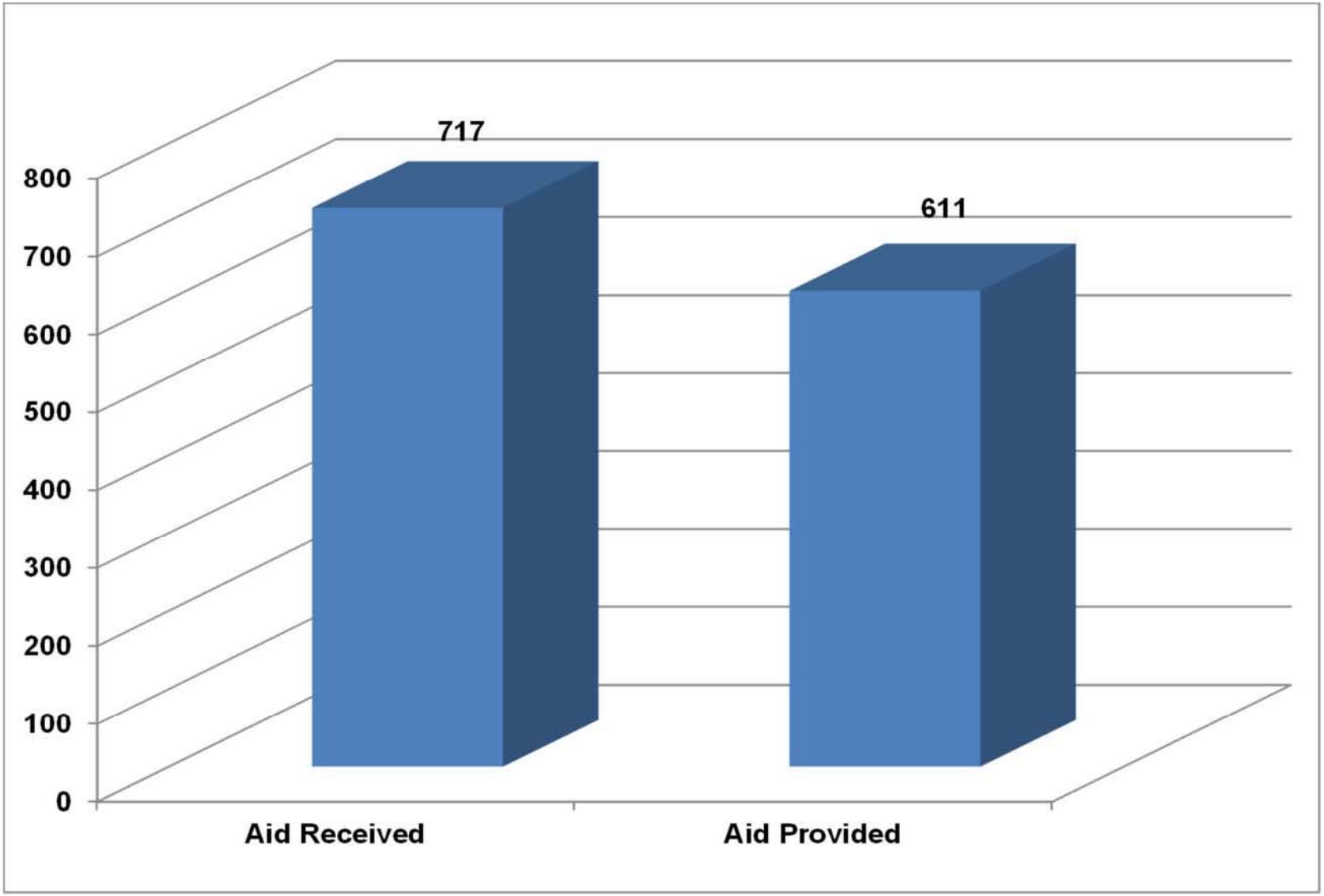


*** = Reserve unit placed into service when front-line unit out of service**

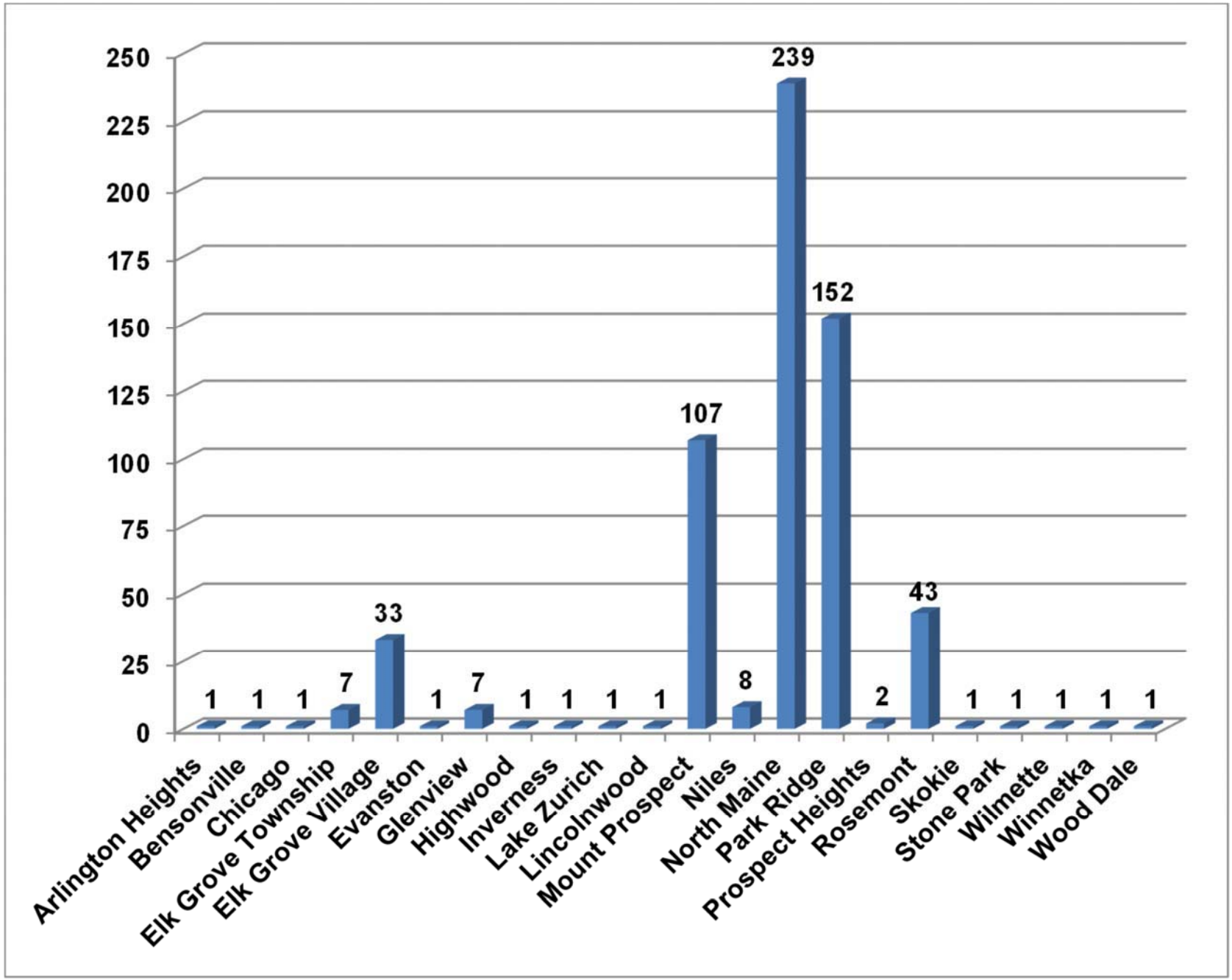
AUTOMATIC AND MUTUAL AID RESPONSES

The 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) agreements for decades with surrounding fire departments. Citizens of all communities benefit from this sharing of resources and regionalized approach.

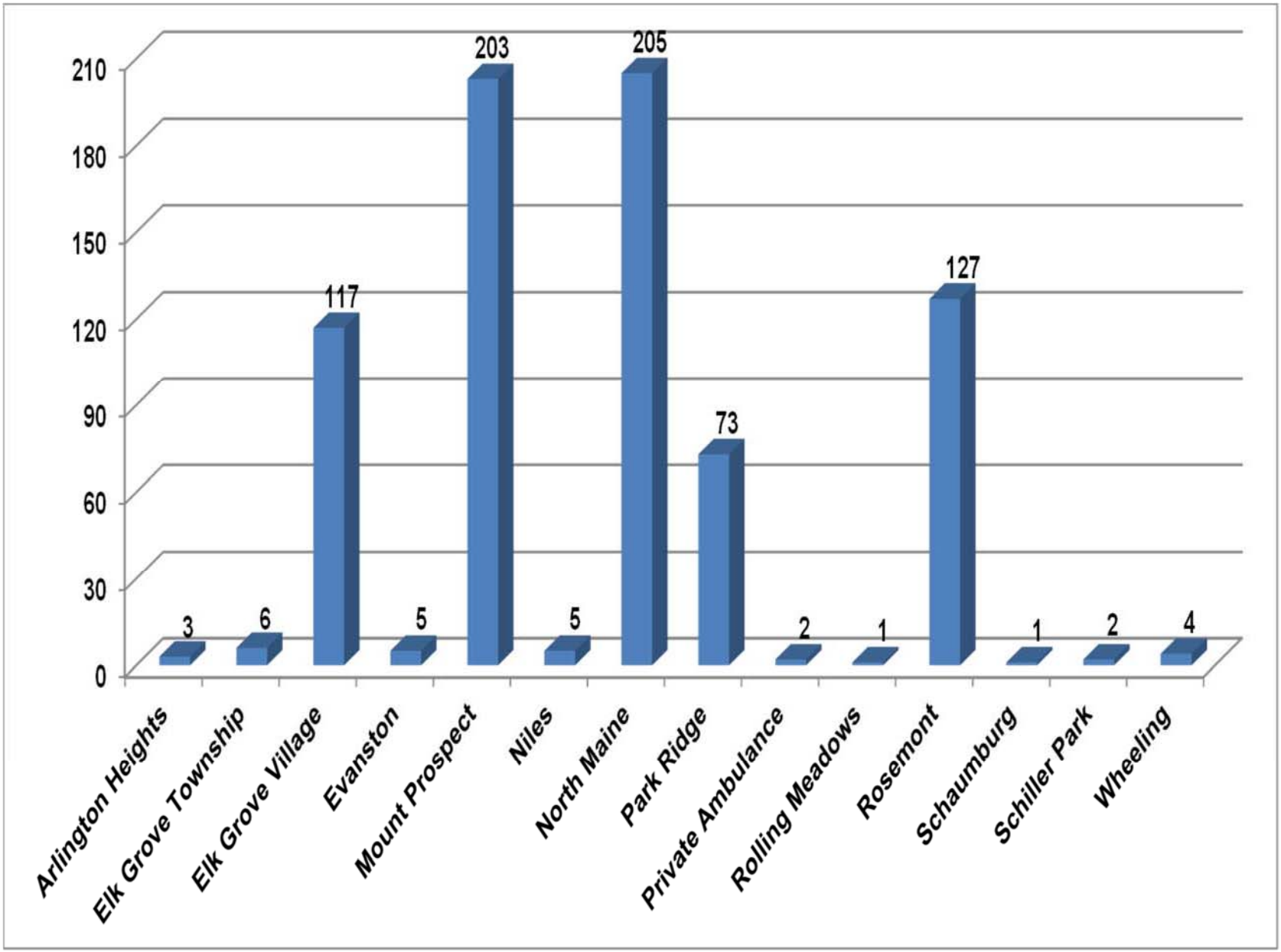
In 2013, the Des Plaines Fire Department received assistance on 717 incidents and provided assistance on 611 incidents.



AUTOMATIC AND MUTUAL AID PROVIDED — BY FIRE DEPARTMENT



*AUTOMATIC AND MUTUAL AID RECEIVED — BY FIRE DEPARTMENT



* The number of fire departments providing automatic and/or mutual aid to Des Plaines is greater than the 717 incidents at which the Des Plaines Fire Department received automatic and/or mutual aid because more than one department provided aid on each of several incidents.

APPARATUS

FIRE DEPARTMENT VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENT

ASSIGNED	RADIO #	VEHICLE
	MOBILE INTENSIVE CARE UNITS	
Station #1	71	2008 Ford E-450
Station #2	72	2006 Ford E-450
Station #3	73	2007 Ford E-450
Station #1	74	2005 Ford E-450
Reserve	75	2000 Ford E-450
	ENGINES	
Station #1	61	2005 Pierce
Station #2	62	2005 Pierce
Station #3	63	2009 Pierce
Reserve	64	1995 E One
Reserve	65	1996 Darley Engine
	TRUCKS	
Station #1	81	2007 Pierce
Station #3	83	2000 Pierce
Reserve	84	1991 Simon LTI
	SPECIALIZED VEHICLES	
Station #1	Battalion 9	2008 Ford Expedition
Station #1	Battalion 90	2004 Ford Excursion
Fire Prevention Division	54	1997 Ford E-350 (Fire Investigation)
Station #3	55	1967 6x6 (Squad)
Station #1	56	1999 Dodge Pick-Up (Training)
Station #3	59	1995 Chevy Pick-up (Fuel Truck)
Station #1	78	1995 E350 (Dive Squad)
Station #3	79	2008 Ford F-350
Station #3	79H	2008 HazMat Trailer
Station #1	78B	2010 Patten Boat & Trailer

TRAINING DIVISION

IN-SERVICE TRAINING/ACTIVITY (38,913 TOTAL HOURS)

January

Tactical Walk-Thru Training
Weekly Skill Drills
Company Tool Assignments
Company Readiness
Apparatus Operator Introduction
Fire Behavior
RIC Evolution - Firefighter Ice Rescue

February

Tactical Walk-Thru Training
Weekly Skill Drills
Ice Rescue Evolutions
Company Readiness
SCBA Module A
Building Construction - Terms and Principals
PPE Inspections

March

Tactical Walk-Thru Training
Weekly Skill Drills
MABAS Division 3 TRT Drills
Building Construction Types
Truck 83 Training
SCBA Module A
MABAS Division 1 Dive and HazMat Drills

April

Tactical Walk-Thru Training
Weekly Skill Drills
MABAS Division 3 TRT - Vertical
Truck 83 - Pump Operations
Truck 83 - Emergency Operations
Truck 83 Make-Up Deployment
Engineer Reviews - Driving
CPR Recertification

May

Tactical Walk-Thru Training
Weekly Skill Drills
Engineer Reviews - Engineer Ops
NFPA 1410 Engineer/Truck Scenario
Engineer Refresher - Driver Evaluation
CPR Refresher
MABAS Division 3 - TRT Collapse
Quick Water Attack

June

Tactical Walk-Thru Training
Weekly Skill Drills
Quick Water Attack Make-Up
Quick Water Attack I - Preconnect
MABAS Division 3 - HazMat
In-House Dive Drills
Primary Search

July

Tactical Walk-Thru Training
Weekly Skill Drills
Second Engine Operations
MABAS Divisions 3 - Dive Drills
HazMat Drills
Primary Search
Fire Attack Module

August

Tactical Walk-Thru Training
Weekly Skill Drills
Initial Attack - Defensive Fire Conditions
TRT - In-House Training
Officer Training
Foam Operations
Hose Testing
Ground Ladder Testing

September

Tactical Walk-Thru Training
Weekly Skill Drills
Hose Testing
Line Advancement and Primary Search
Engineer Testing
Stokes Basket
Officer Training

October

Tactical Walk-Thru Training
Weekly Skill Drills
MABAS Division 3 Training
MABAS Division 3 - Dive Master
Truck/Engine Pump Testing
HazMat In-House Drills
SCBA Fit Testing
Self Survival and RIT Evolutions

November

Tactical Walk-Thru Training
Weekly Skill Drills
Self Survival and RIT Evolutions
Truck 84R Aerial Testing
Acquired Structure Training
Company Officer Discretion

December

Tactical Walk-Thru Training
Weekly Skill Drills
Ventilation Flow Paths
HazMat Operations Refresher
Water Rescue Operations
Tactical Walk Through

OUT-OF-DEPARTMENT TRAINING/ACTIVITY (6,645 TOTAL HOURS)

EMS Instructor	Fire Service Leadership
Fire Attack Suppression Techniques	Light and Fight
Instructor I and II	Fire Apparatus Engineer
HazMat Incident Command	Leadership I, II, III, and IV
Fire Prevention Principles	Tactics and Strategy I and II
Nozzle Forward	Rope Rescue Operations
Peer Fitness Trainer	Engine Company Operations
Vehicle Machinery Techniques	Leadership Workshop
Collapse Operations	New Fire Fight
Crossfit Trainer	Trench Operations
DiBernado Seminar	Electrical Safety
ERDI Dive Training	Blue Card Command
Designated Infection Control Officer	Open Water Diver
Solid Fuel Appliances	Training Program Manager

COMPLETED STATE CERTIFICATIONS AND COURSES

Arson Investigator

Division Chief Jeff Schuck
Fire Inspector Dave Schuman

Fire Officer I - Provisional

FF/PM Ed Rogers

HazMat Technician A and B

FF/PM Lukasz Szerlag
FF/PM Brian Reiger

Fire Officer II - Provisional

FF/PM Maksim Verlinsky

HazMat Incident Command and IMS

Battalion Chief Chris Wozny
LT Dave Macri

HazMat Portable FT-IR Operations

ENGR Jim Utinans

Basic Operations - Firefighter

FF/PM Patrick Tennant

Tactics and Strategy I

FF/PM Joe Ciraulo

Fire Prevention Principals

ENGR Terry Dillon
FF/PM Mike Kiszkowski

Blue Card Incident Command

Battalion Chief Chris Wozny

Fire Inspector I

FF/PM Joe Ciraulo

Fire Apparatus Engineer

LT Dan Hauser
FF/PM Michael Mueller
FF/PM Michael Rioch
FF/PM Ed Rogers

Tactics and Strategy II

ENGR Jeff Gove

Engine Company Operations

FF/PM Bill Rice

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (EMS) DIVISION

NUMBER OF PATIENTS BY DISPOSITION

Response Disposition Type	Number of Patients	Percentages
ALS Treat & Transport	2,535	43.42%
BLS Treat & Transport	1,549	26.53
Refused Treat/Transport	666	11.41
Treated/Refused Transport	410	7.02
Multiple Patient Release (MPR)	160	2.74
Treated/Transferred Care	155	2.66
No Patient Found	125	2.14
No Treatment Required	92	1.58
DOA/Triple Zero	75	1.29
Cancelled	26	0.45
Resuscitation Terminated – No Transport	23	0.39
Standby Only – No Patient Contact	16	0.27
Resuscitation Withheld (DNR)	6	0.10
TOTAL PATIENTS	**5,838**	**100%**

PATIENTS BY PARAMEDIC IMPRESSION

Impression Type	Number of Patients	Percentages	Impression Type	Number of Patients	Percentages
Traumatic Injury	680	11.65%	Hypertension	23	0.39%
No Apparent Illness/Injury	565	9.68	General Malaise	22	0.38
Pain	468	8.02	Diabetic Hyperglycemia	21	0.36
Unknown	361	6.18	Hypotension	21	0.36
Other Illness/Injury	358	6.13	GI Bleed	21	0.36
Behavioral/Psychiatric Disorder	339	5.81	Near Syncope	21	0.36
Chest Pain or Discomfort	290	4.97	Other GU Problem	21	0.36
Weakness	261	4.47	Poisoning/Drug Ingestion	17	0.29
Ethanal/Alcohol Drinking (ETOH) Abuse	232	3.97	Dehydration	17	0.29
Abdominal Pain/Problem	195	3.34	Other Cardiovascular Problem	17	0.29
Not Applicable	188	3.22	Transient Ischemic Attack (TIA)	15	0.26
Respiratory Distress	180	3.08	Other GI Symptoms	15	0.26
Altered Level of Consciousness	151	2.59	Diarrhea	12	0.21
Stroke/CVA	133	2.28	Airway Obstruction	11	0.19
Seizure	126	2.16	Other Abdominal/GI Problem	10	0.17
Diabetic Hypoglycemia	97	1.66	OB/Pregnancy Complication	9	0.15
Nausea/Vomiting (Unknown Etiology)	95	1.63	Respiratory Arrest	7	0.12
Syncope/Fainting	90	1.54	Patient Assist Only	7	0.12
Dizziness/Vertigo	73	1.24	Sepsis	7	0.12
Cardiac Rhythm Disturbance	69	1.18	Other CNS Problem	6	0.10
Back Pain (Non-Traumatic)	64	1.10	Migraine	6	0.10
Cardiac Arrest	50	0.86	Other OB/GYN	6	0.10
Fever	48	0.82	Cancer	4	0.07
Invalid Assist/Lifting Assist	47	0.81	OB/Childbirth	4	0.07
Obvious Death	44	0.75	Smoke Inhalation	4	0.07
Asthma	41	0.70	Bowel Obstruction	3	0.05
Headache	40	0.69	Other Endocrine/Metabolic Problem	3	0.05
Substance/Drug Abuse	32	0.55	Hypovolemia/Shock	3	0.05
Epistaxis (Non-Traumatic)	32	0.55	Sexual Assault	2	0.03
Unconscious (Unknown Etiology)	31	0.53	Hyperthermia	2	0.03
Congestive Heart Failure (CHF)	30	0.51	Heat Exhaustion/Stroke	1	0.02
Non-Asthma COPD	30	0.51	Stings/Venomous Bite	1	0.02
Allergic Reaction	29	0.50	Vaginal Hemorrhage	1	0.02
Unknown Problem	28	0.48	Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm	1	0.02
			TOTAL	**5,838**	**100%**

PATIENTS BY LOCATION TYPE

Location Type	Number of Patients	Percentages
Home/Residence	3,252	55.70%
Street or Highway	980	16.79
Business/Commercial	519	8.89
Health Care Facility	381	6.53
Public Building/Facility	328	5.62
Other Location	148	2.53
Residential Institution	127	2.17
Recreation or Sport Facility	72	1.23
Industrial Premises	18	0.31
Unspecified Place	8	0.14
Lake, River, or Other Water	3	0.05
Airport	1	0.02
Farm	1	0.02
TOTAL	**5,838**	**100%**

TRANSPORT DETERMINATION

Determination Type	Number of Patients	Percentages
Closest Facility	3,855	66.03%
Not Applicable	1,753	30.03
Patient Choice (Not Closest)	149	2.55
Family Choice (Not Closest)	51	0.87
Other	15	0.26
On-Line Medical Direction	8	0.14
Patient's Physician Choice	5	0.09
Specialty Resource Center	2	0.03
TOTAL	**5,838**	**100%**

PRIMARY CARE UNIT

Unit	Number of Patients	Percentages	Number of Transports	Percentages
Ambulance 73	1,524	26.10%	1,085	26.57%
Ambulance 72	1,461	25.03	1,158	28.35
Ambulance 71	1,194	20.45	981	24.02
Ambulance 74	814	13.94	577	14.13
Ambulance 75R	377	6.46	283	6.93
Engine 61	153	2.62	0	0.00
Engine 62	125	2.14	0	0.00
Engine 63	71	1.22	0	0.00
Unknown	43	0.74	0	0.00
Truck 81	29	0.50	0	0.00
Truck 83	24	0.41	0	0.00
Engine 65R	14	0.24	0	0.00
Engine 64	9	0.15	0	0.00
TOTAL	**5,838**	**100%**	**4,084**	**100%**

TRANSPORT HOSPITAL

Transport Hospital	Number of Transports	Percentages
Lutheran General Hospital	3,344	81.88%
Northwest Community Hospital	555	13.59
Alexian Brothers Medical Center	139	3.40
Resurrection Medical Center	23	0.56
Glenbrook Hospital	22	0.54
Other Destination	1	0.03
TOTAL	**4,084**	**100%**

EMS TRAINING HOURS

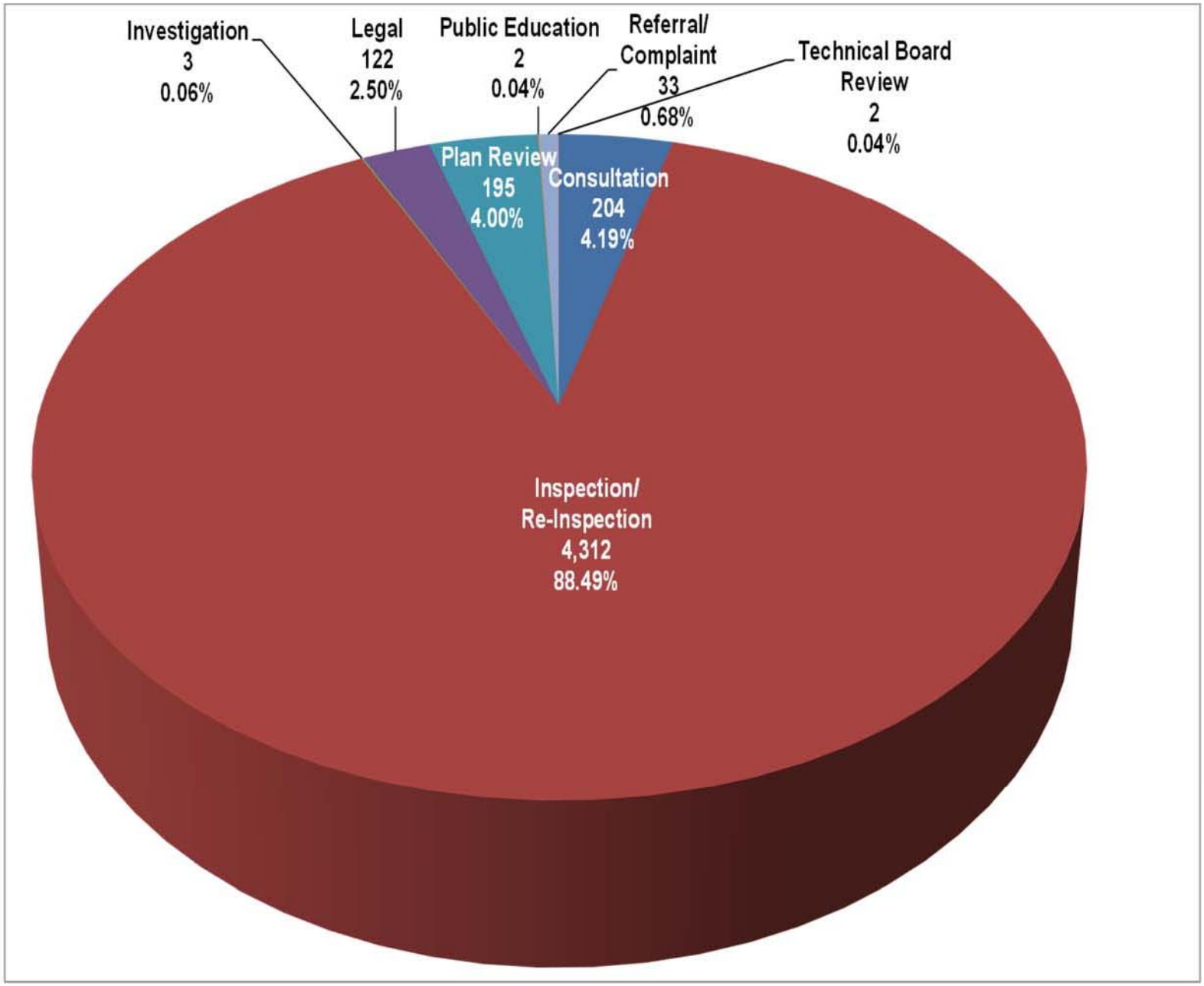
Training Category	Number of Classes	Number of Participants	Total Hours
In-Station Paramedic Continuing Education	63	529	1,185
Paramedic Independent Study	27	203	406
EMT Continuing Education	42	218	447
General EMS Training	18	94	132
Annual CPR Training	8	61	123
Paramedic Practical	13	59	59
TOTAL	**171**	**1,164**	**2,352**

FIRE PREVENTION BUREAU

FIRE PREVENTION BUREAU ACTIVITIES

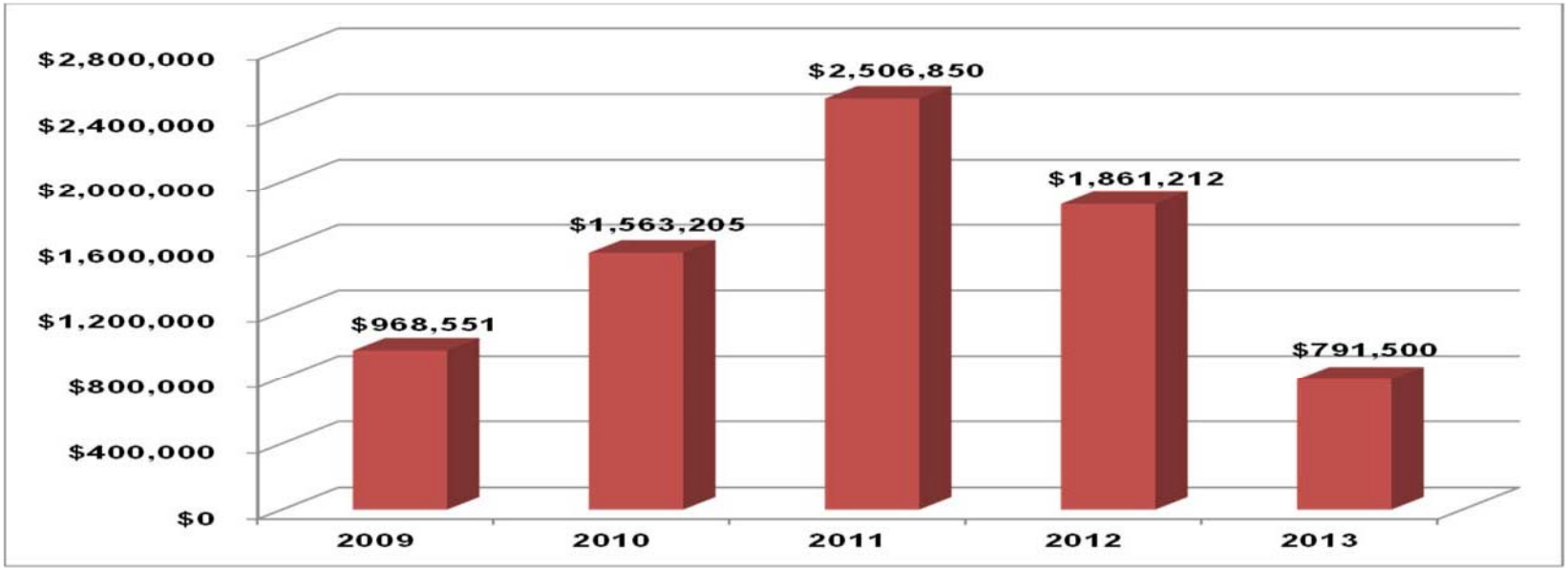
TYPE	DESCRIPTION	TOTAL
Consultation	Assembly, Building, Fire Alarm, Fire Protection, Hazardous Operation, License, Other, Permit, Sprinkler System	204
Inspection/ Re-Inspection	Assembly, Business, Business License, Daycare, Educational, Final Inspection, Fire Alarm Acceptance Test, Fire Flow Test, Fire Pump Test, Follow-Up, Home Fire Safety Inspection, Industrial, Inspector Assist, Institutional, Hotels/Motels, Mercantile, Key Box, Kitchen Hood Acceptance Test, Multi-Family Residential, Other, Rough Inspection, Sprinkler Hydro Test, Storage	4,312
Investigation	Cause (Fire), General, Other	3
Legal	Citation, Court Appearance, Freedom of Information, Simple Notice	122
Plan Review	Architectural, Assembly, Building, Fire Alarm, Fire Protection, General, Hood and Duct, Mechanical, Other, Permit, Site, Sprinkler System	195
Public Education	Day Care, Elementary School, General, High School, Other, Special Group	2
Referral/ Complaint	Building, Citizen, Department, Fire, General, Housing Safety, Other	33
Technical Board Review		2
	OVERALL TOTAL	4,873

FIRE PREVENTION BUREAU ACTIVITY BREAKDOWN

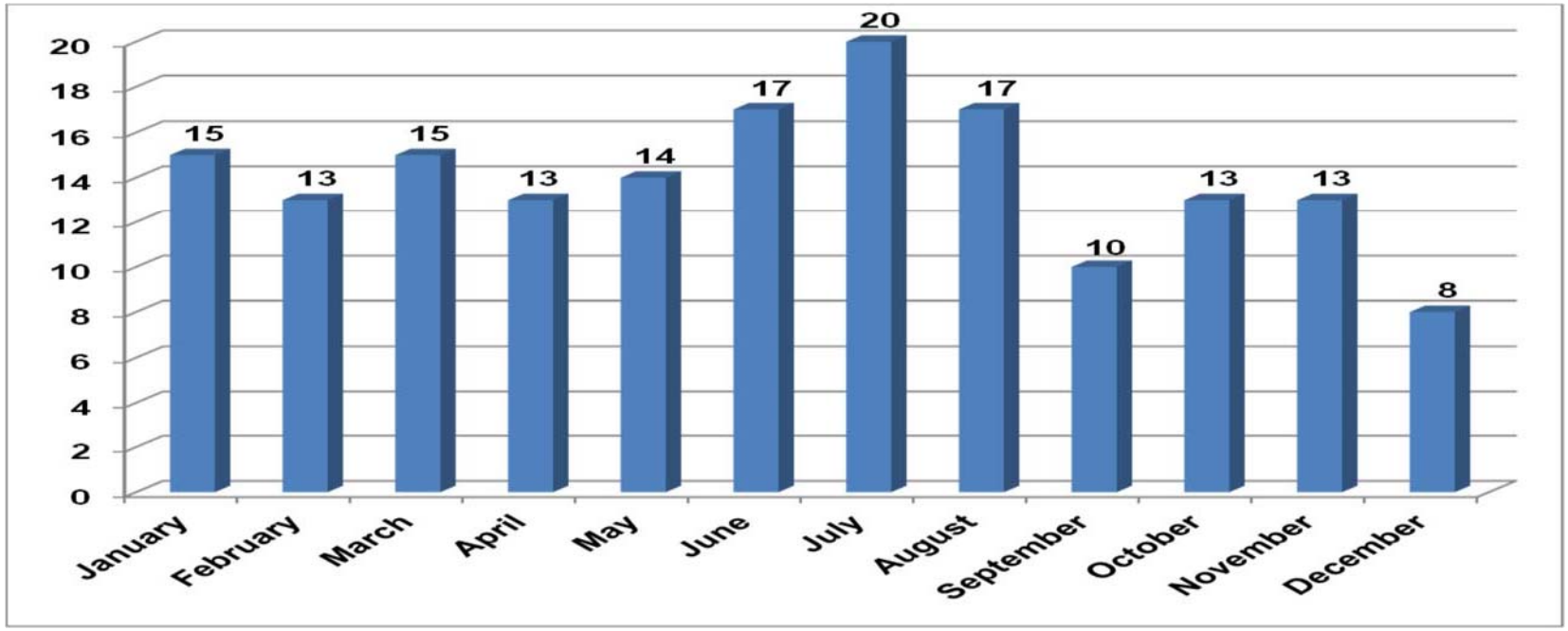


FIRE LOSS

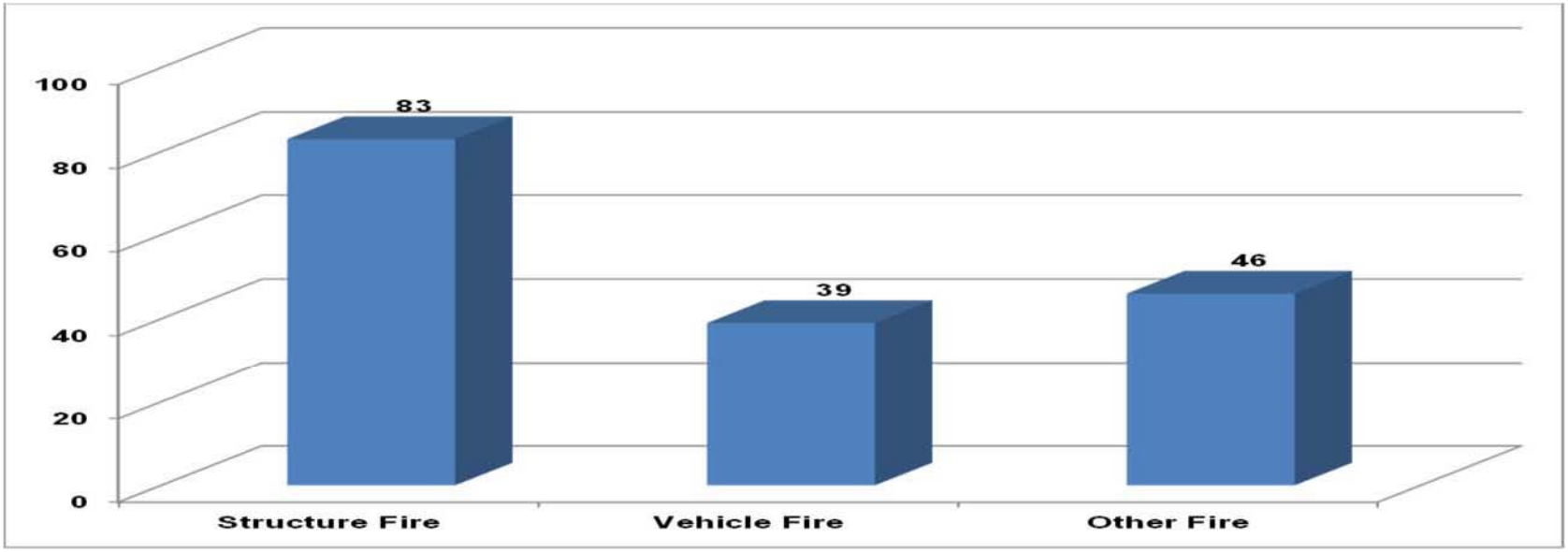
HISTORY OF ESTIMATED FIRE LOSS



MONTHLY ACCOUNT OF FIRES



FIRES BY TYPE



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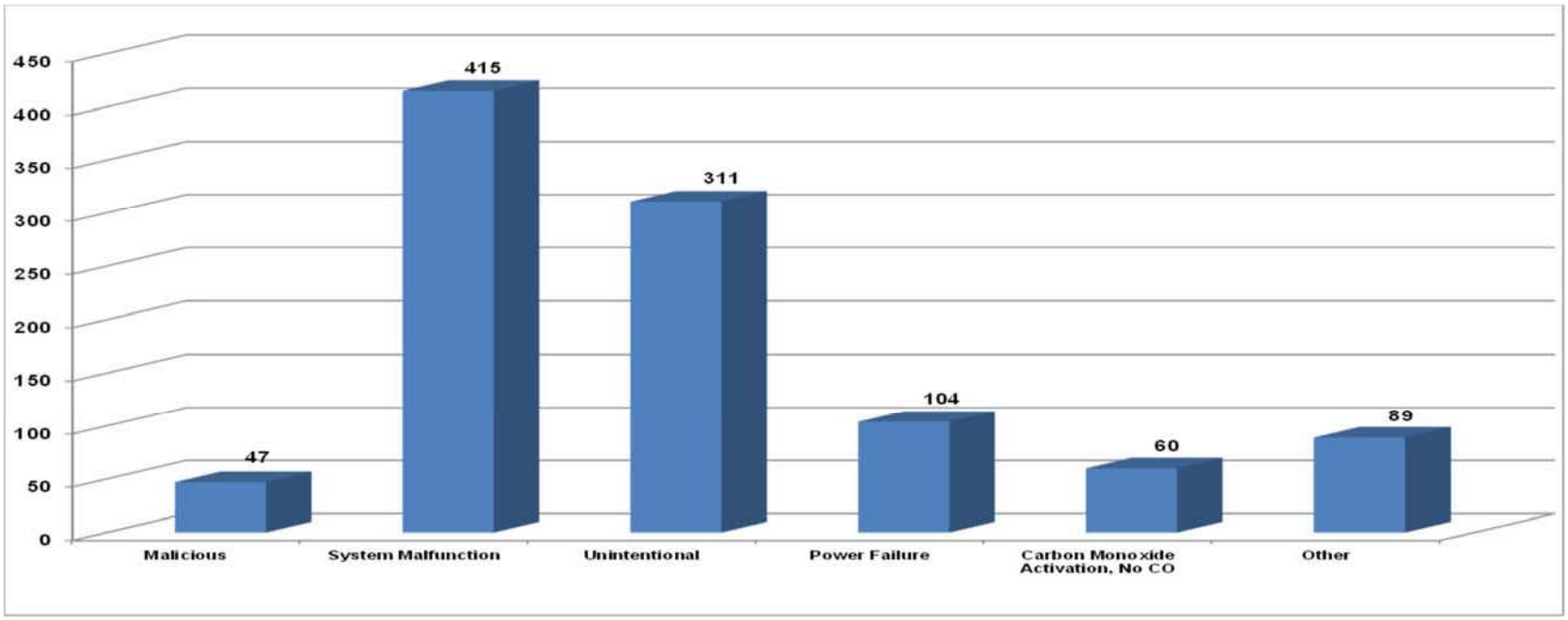
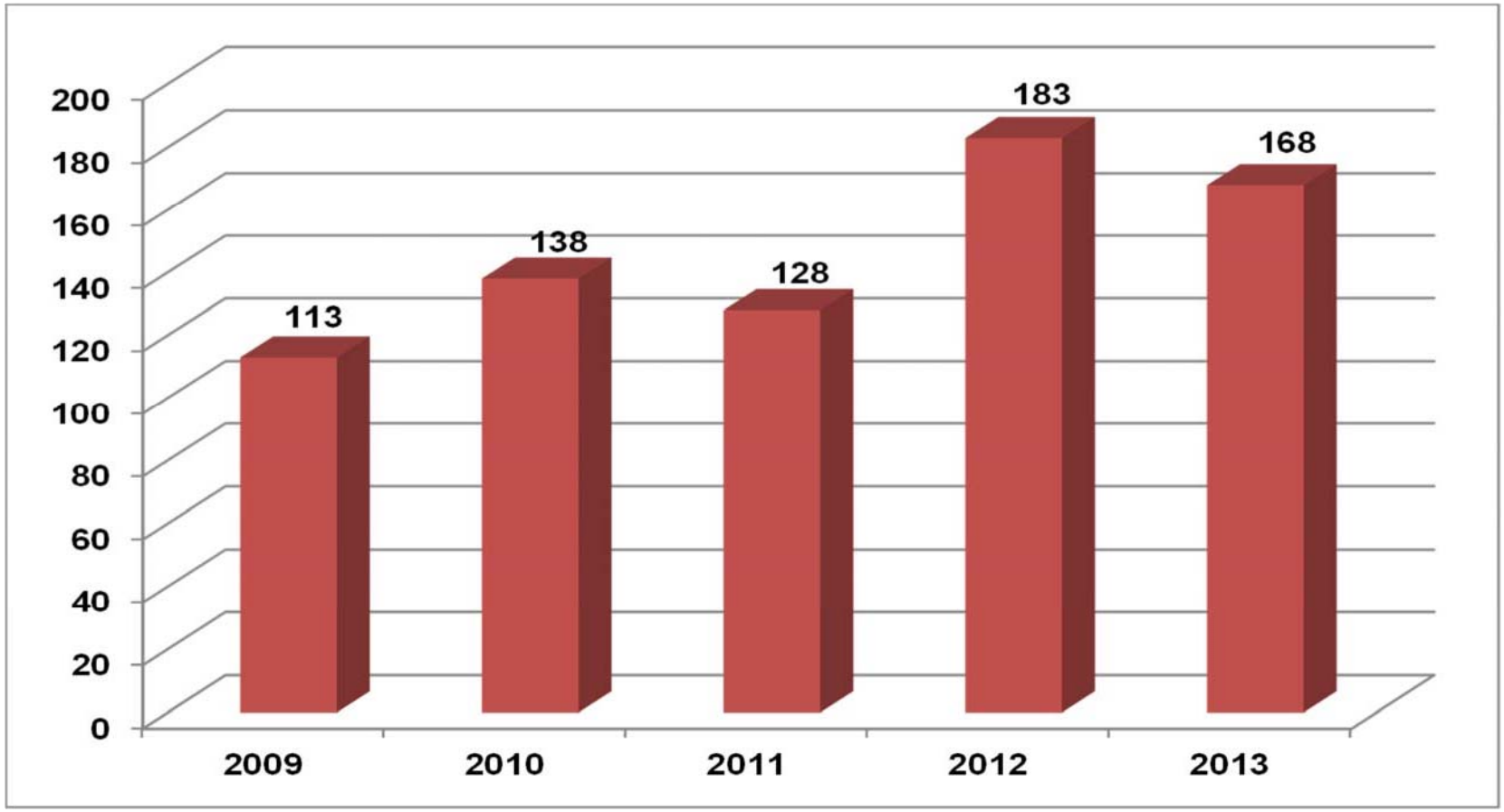


FIRES WITH THE GREATEST PROPERTY LOSS

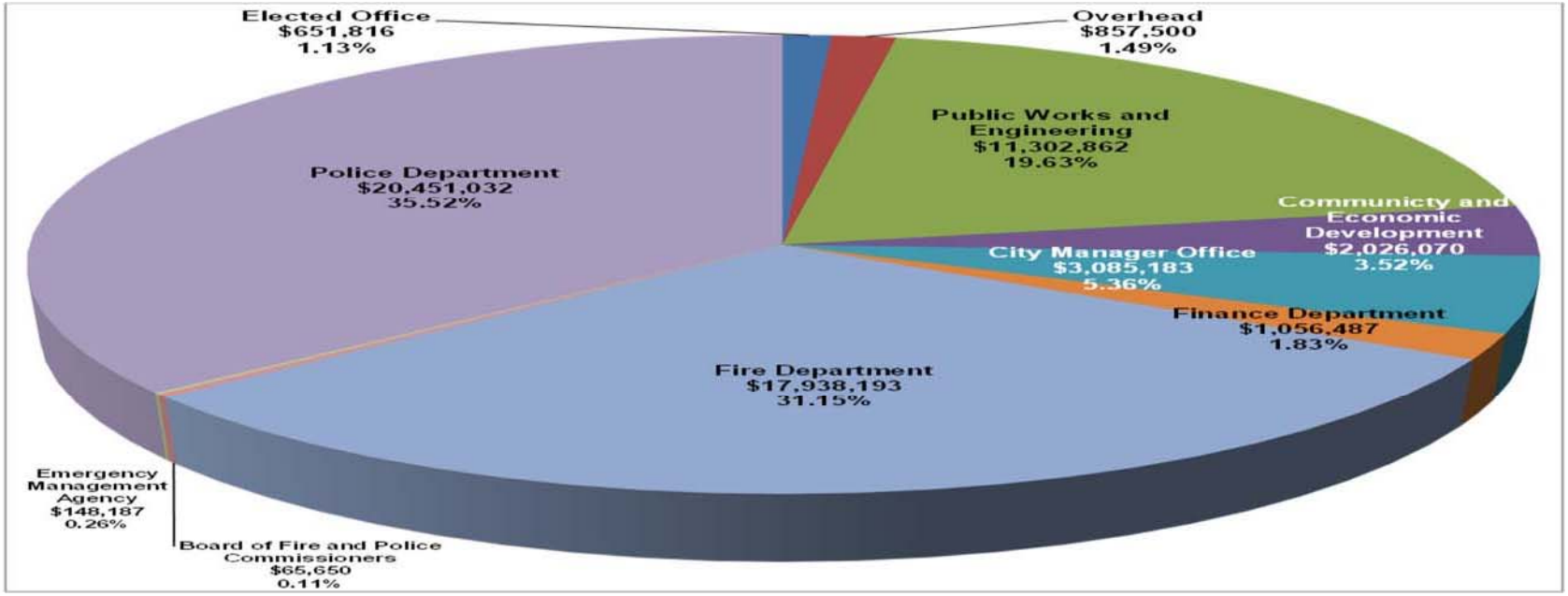
Date	Location	Property Description	Total Loss
January 18, 2013	150 East Northwest Highway	Multi-Family Dwelling	$90,000
July 10, 2013	1680 East Touhy Avenue	Manufacturing/Processing	75,000
April 25, 2013	1107 Holliday Lane	1 or 2 Family Dwelling	65,000
February 23, 2013	1634 Howard Avenue	1 or 2 Family Dwelling	40,000
April 4. 2013	1300 East Touhy Avenue	Laboratory or Science Laboratory	35,000
February 3, 2013	220 Graceland Court	Specialty Shop	25,000

HISTORY OF FIRE INCIDENTS



2013 BUDGET

GENERAL FUND BUDGET APPROPRIATION - $57,582,980



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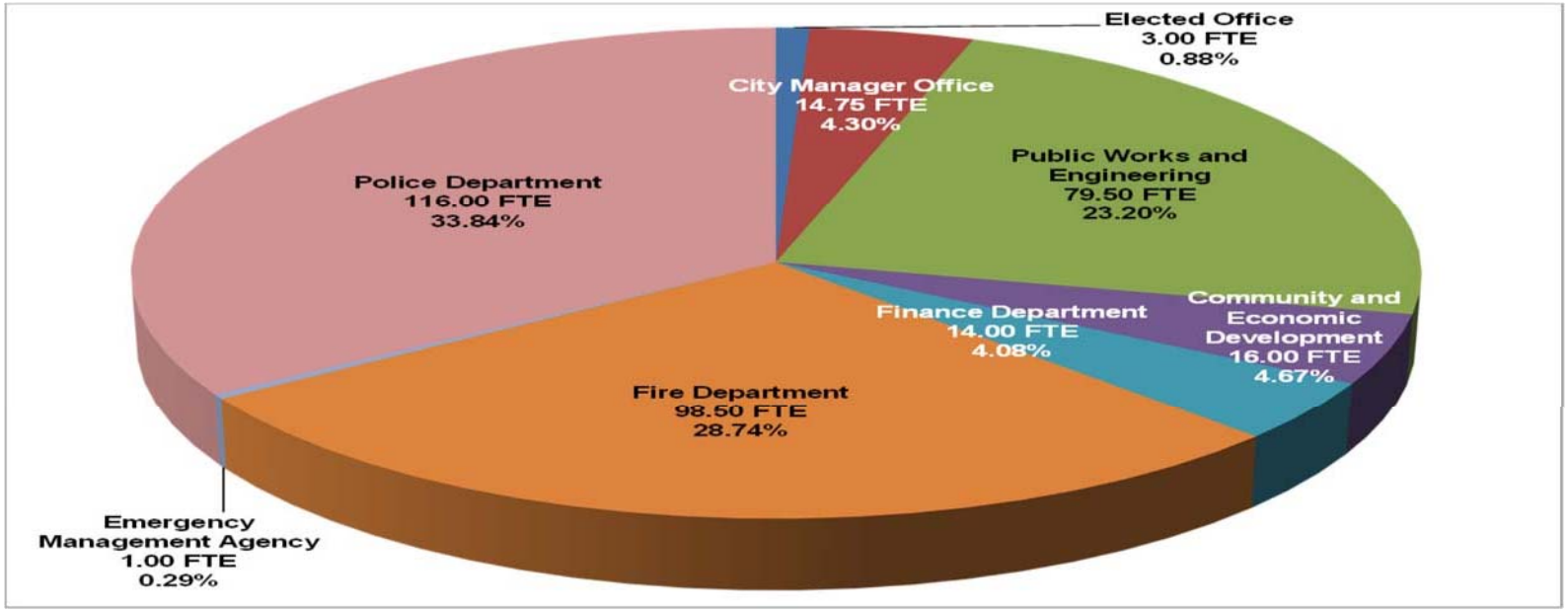
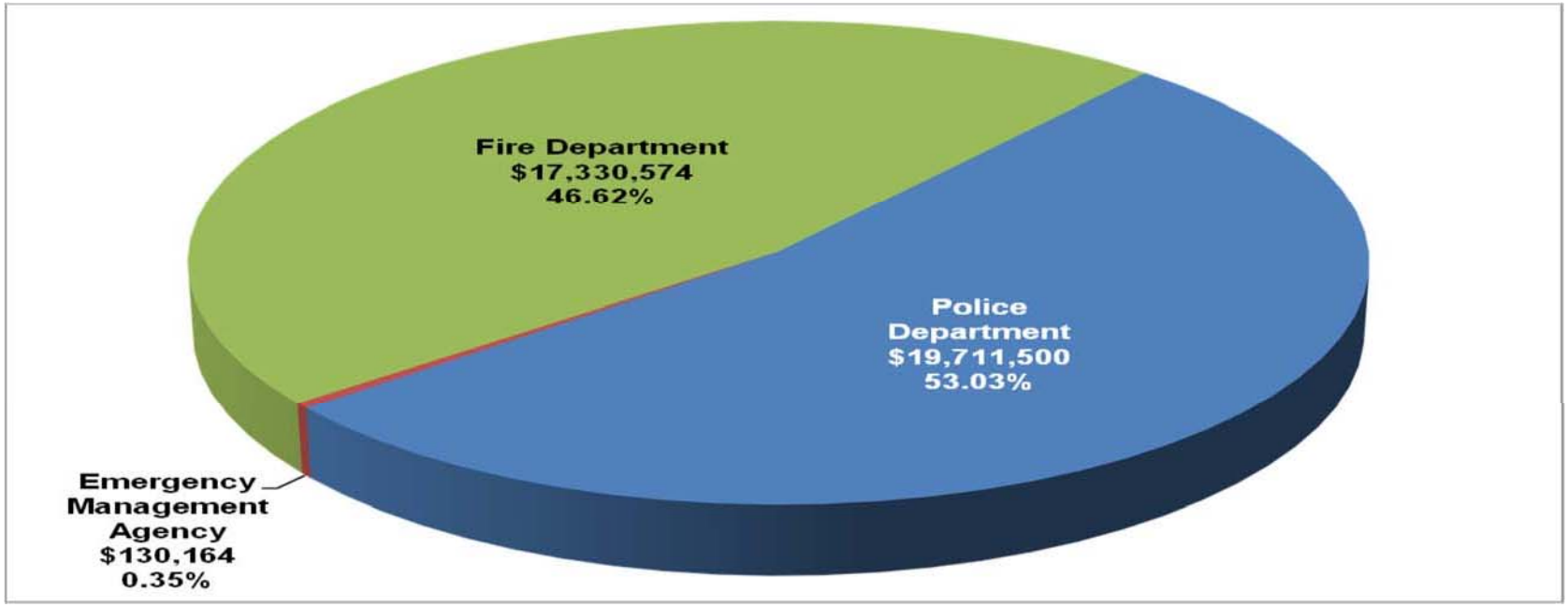


PUBLIC SAFETY BUDGET APPROPRIATION - $38,537,412



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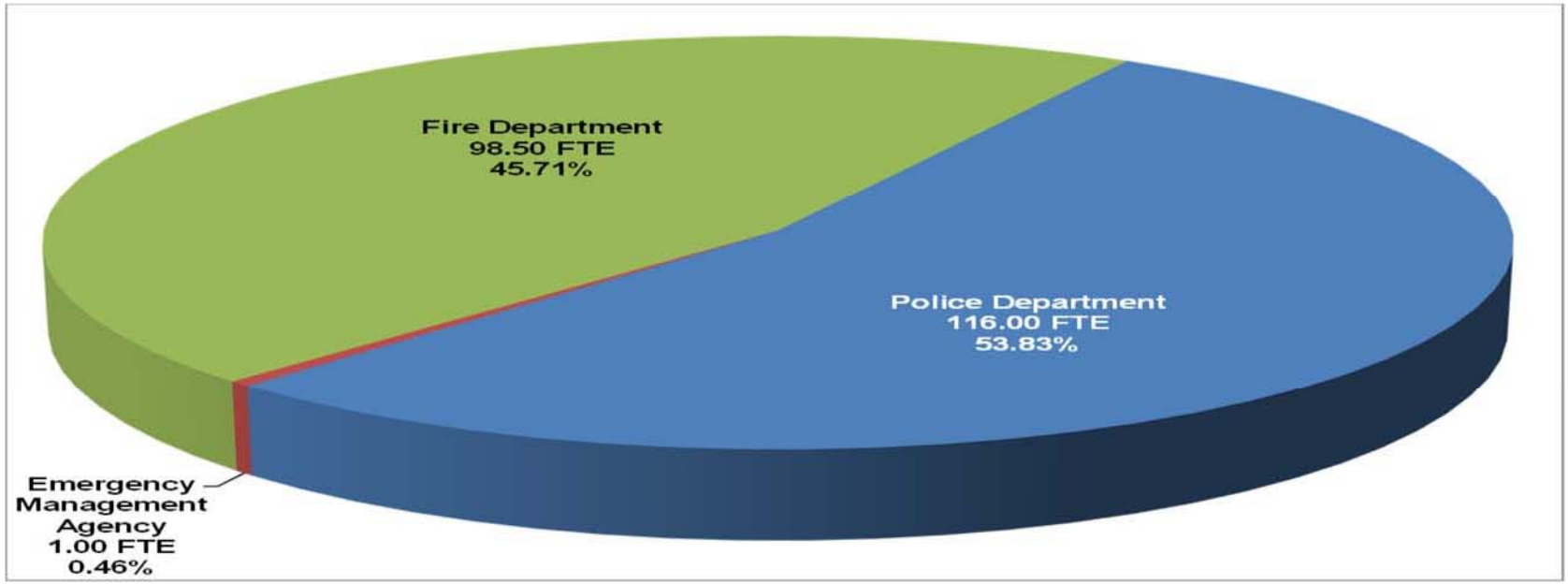
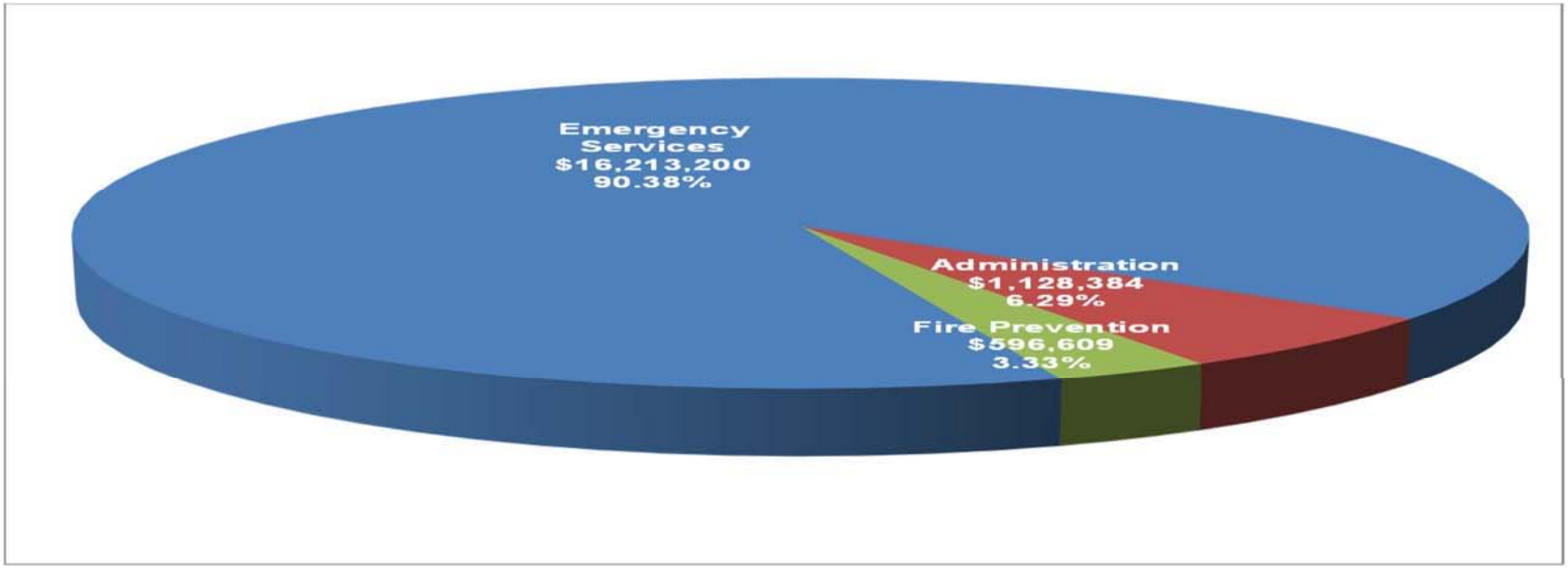


FIRE DEPARTMENT BUDGET APPROPRIATION - $17,938,193



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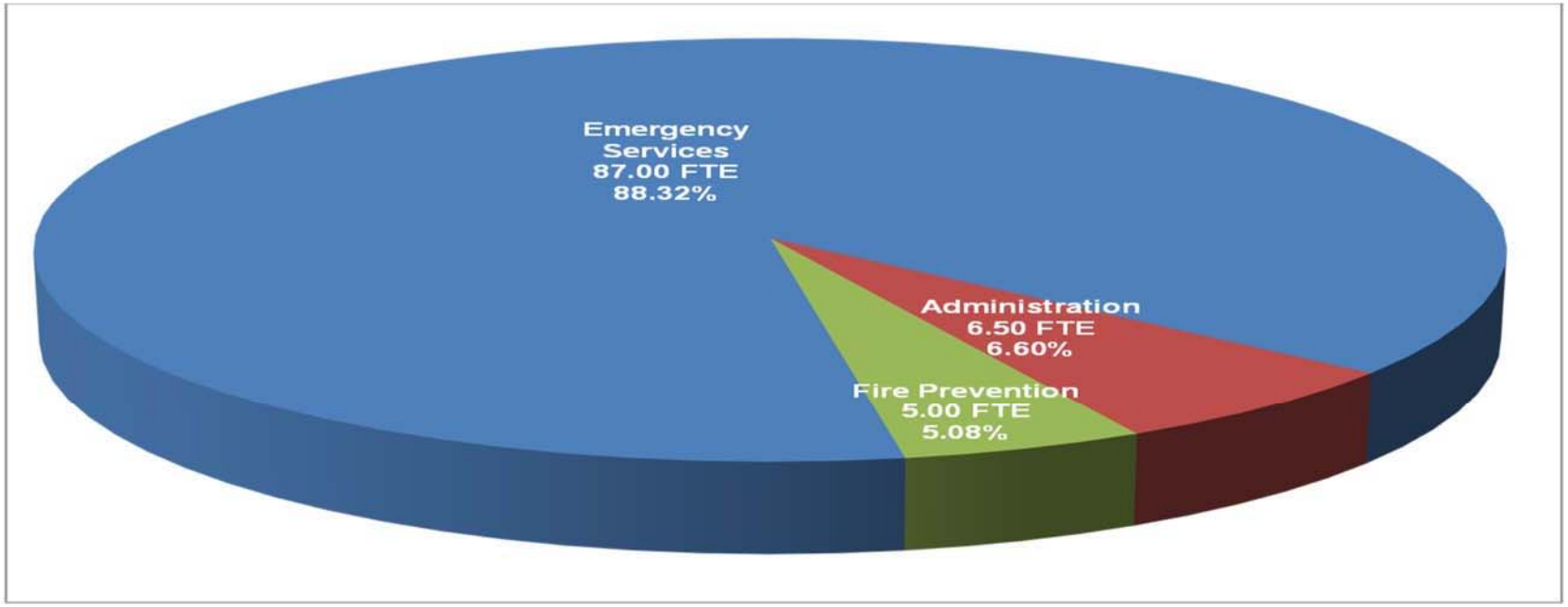


BOARD OF FIRE AND POLICE COMMISSIONERS

COMMISSIONER ARTHUR LUKOWICZ (CHAIRMAN)

COMMISSIONER DEBRA LESTER

COMMISSIONER MICHAEL AL-BRECHT

BOARD OF FIRE AND POLICE COMMISSIONERS

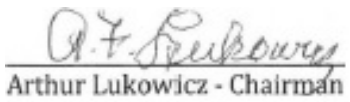
The objective of the Des Plaines Board of Fire and Police Commissioners (BFPC) is to provide the citizens of the City of Des Plaines with professional Fire and Police Departments through fair and impartial hiring, promotion, and disciplinary processes.

The BFPC 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 the selections of new recruits, as well as promotions within the sworn ranks of the Fire and Police Departments. The Board is also responsible for maintaining its Rules and Regulations. The BFPC also conducts hearings for suspension and termination of sworn members in the Departments, if necessary.

An eligibility list of 37 potential firefighter candidates was established in 2012 based on the new scoring system instituted under the Illinois Firefighter Hiring Act. In 2013, there were seven applicants interviewed by the Board, with two sworn-in as probationary Des Plaines firefighters during the year.

The Board of Fire and Police Commissioners would like to thank Mayor Bogusz and the City Council for the trust placed in us and the responsibility given to us for the hiring and promoting of the best candidates possible to serve the City of Des Plaines.

Respectfully Submitted,



Arthur Lukowicz - Chairman