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FIRE CHIEF'S LETTER

Mayor and Aldermen
Des Plaines Citizens
Fellow Staff Members

It is a pleasure to present the 2014 Annual Report for the Des Plaines Fire Department. As usual, it was a very busy year for the Department in many respects. Most notably, there were a record number of emergency responses.

Related to emergency responses – our most visible activity – total call volumes rose considerably over 2013 (4.9%), and was at a record level of 7,903 calls (page 16). Emergency medical service (EMS) responses (ambulances calls) continue to set new records each year, and 2014 was no exception. There were 5,647 EMS calls in 2014, representing a 2.9% increase from the previous year (page 17).

For the second year in a row, the number of fires was reduced. This is a trend we would like to see continue, as it reflects an increased level of safety in the community. The Department responded to 132 fires in 2014, down 21.4% from 2013 (page 40).

As in any successful organization, the members of our Department are the key to its success. Thus, it's always sad when we say farewell to those who retire. In 2014, we only had one retirement, but it was a big one. I extend my heartiest congratulations to Deputy Chief Randy Trost, his wife, Kim, and their three sons for Randy's October retirement after 26 years of outstanding service to the Department, the community, and its citizens. I cannot thank Randy enough for all of his support, loyalty, and dedication, as well as his assistance to me in my role as Chief. Randy will be sorely missed – however I am happy and excited to congratulate and welcome Peter Dyer to his new role as Deputy Chief. I know that Pete will excel in this capacity and take the position and our Department to new heights. A special thanks to Battalion Chief Chris Wozny, who served as Acting Deputy Chief for several weeks after Randy's retirement and prior to Pete's promotion – great job, Chris – and thank you for “stepping-up.”

Farewell to Administrative Analyst Pedro Pelaez in October after 2½ years of service. Also, a hearty welcome to Candace Lencioni in May. Candace serves as Part-Time Clerk in the Fire Prevention Bureau. We are glad to have you here, Candace, and we appreciate your strong work ethic and quality results that we have already seen. Additionally, I congratulate all members that have reached milestone years of service, as shown on page 12.

Besides for information reflected in the statistics in the pages of this report, the following paragraphs describe some of the other Departmental activities in 2014:

Working with the Community Development Department on updating the City's Building Code, the Fire Department updated the City's Fire Code and related other codes to the latest versions of

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the International Code Council's (ICC) model codes. In doing so, the Department streamlined requirements and greatly reduced the number of local amendments to the Code, which amendments often prove to be troublesome.

The largest project undertaken by the agency in 2014 was a transition to the Regional Emergency Dispatch (RED) Center for all fire, rescue, and emergency medical dispatch services. This transition took months, and involved changes to fire station numbers, vehicle identification numbers, operational procedures, radio operations, and response plans. The transition went smoothly, and we are pleased with the service we are receiving from one of the best fire department dispatch centers in the country – all while saving costs due to efficiencies associated with being in a joint dispatch center.

Another major endeavor was transitioning the alarm-monitoring and alarm-transmission functions. The system had not been upgraded for over a decade. Efficiencies were needed. The Department and its existing alarm vendor entered into a partnership with a Des Plaines-based third-party alarm monitoring company to provide enhanced services, including rapid alarm signal transmission, redundant signal receiving equipment, and less dispatching of the Fire Department for system maintenance issues (reducing the number of false alarm and non-emergency responses of the Department). Additionally, the agreement provides for the new partner to field all alarm-testing and repair-related phone calls and deal with alarm status changes, reducing the amount of non-emergency contacts that were taking valuable time away from the emergency dispatchers.

In an effort to maximize readiness and information-gathering in preparation for emergency response, the Department began a company tactical walk-through program. This involves in-service companies doing walk-throughs of buildings in the community and preparing information packets that may be used during emergencies to identify key components, issues, and hazards related to the properties. Not only does this provide helpful documentation, it also gets the firefighters familiar with the structures in the community, which familiarity could prove very valuable during emergency operations.

Also, in an effort to utilize technology to maximum advantage, the agency markedly increased its use of Geographical Information Systems (GIS) during the year. Personnel now have access to map-based information in the emergency response vehicles, as well as in the stations. This proved valuable not only on calls, but also in the preparation for the transition to RED Center.

As a whole, the Department continued to increase its presence in the community, attending ward meetings, block parties, and special events, as well as supporting local charities and being involved in community activities. I congratulate the Firefighters Union and its members for winning the Barbara J. Dabler Silent Acts of Kindness Award from Operation North Pole, a Des Plaines charity supported by the local firefighters that provides a day of Christmas magic to critically- and terminally-ill children and their families during the holidays.

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With the purchase of a new ambulance in 2014 came a major transition in the type of vehicle the agency was using. Now being purchased are larger Freightliner chassis, which are more rugged and much easier to service, thus increasing efficiency and lowering repair costs.

The Department started work to come into the 21st century in terms of the message signs located outside the three fire stations. The current signs are old and very worn. Additionally, letters are fading and broken. Also desired is the ability to display more than one message. During 2014, zoning variances were approved and bid documents drafted to change the manual signs to electronic digital messages that would allow for multiple messages and (perhaps in the future) animation. With the preparation work near completion, the actual upgrades to the digital signs are anticipated in 2015.

As always, my sincere thanks are extended to Mayor Bogusz and the City's aldermen. They continue to support of our organization, which allows us to do what we do – and it is much appreciated. Also thank you to City Manager Michael Bartholomew and the other City department heads for their continued support and collaboration. Mostly, I thank the citizens of this great community, who are so supportive of the Department and its members, and who so frequently express their appreciation and backing. You are the reason we are here, and it is an honor to serve you. As shown on page 7, our mission statement reflects our goal of providing services that make a positive difference – it is our sincere hope that we have succeeded; and we will continue to strive to make such a difference for you every day.

We look forward to the challenges that 2015 will bring. For, in addressing the challenges, it makes us better as an organization, which improves the services we provide and the benefit to our community.

I hope that you find this annual report to be enjoyable and informative. Again, thank you for your support and encouragement. As always, if you have any questions or suggestions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Alan Wax".

Alan 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 every day to maintain the highest professional standards and to earn the public trust through our actions.

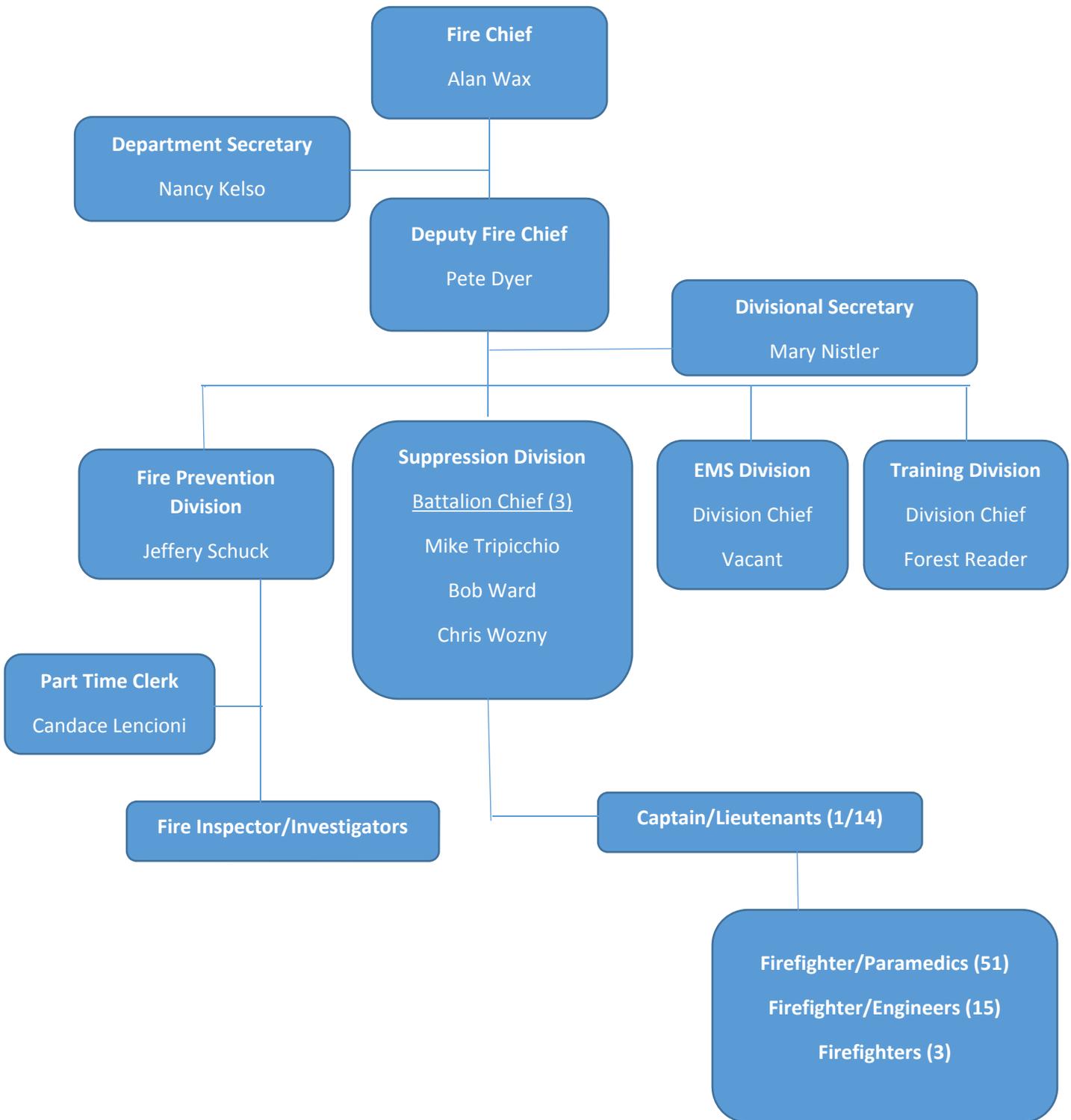
LOYALTY We believe each member shall be loyal to and speak positively of fellow firefighters, the Department, employer and oath.

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

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ORGANIZATIONAL CHART AS OF 12/31/2014



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COMMAND STAFF



Fire Chief Alan Wax



Deputy Fire 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**

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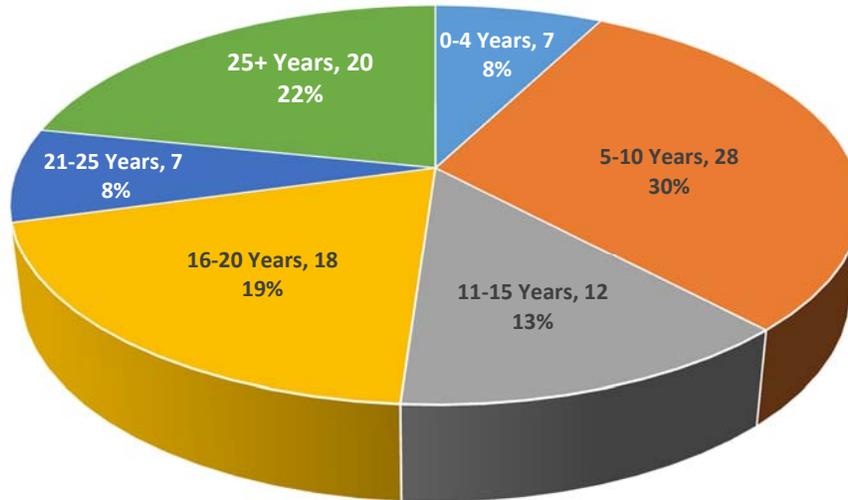
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DEPARTMENT ROSTER as of 12/31/14								
ADMINISTRATION								
Fire Chief Alan Wax								
Deputy Fire Chief Pete Dyer								
Secretary Nancy Kelso			Secretary Mary Nistler					
Black Shift			Red Shift			Gold Shift		
Battalion Chief Mike Tripicchio			Battalion Chief Bob Ward			Battalion Chief Chris Wozny		
LT	Greg	Brown	CAPT	Scott	Peirson	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	Ryan	Petty	FF/PM	William	Rice
FF/PM	Russ	Olish	FF/PM	Shawn	Quigel	FF/PM	Brian	Rieger
FF/PM	Mark	Pawlyk	FF/PM	Jason	Rychlik	FF/PM	Edward	Rogers
FF/PM	Robert	Prieto	FF/PM	Sean	Schiellie	FF/PM	Michael	Shaughnessy
FF/PM	Adam	Rejowski	FF/PM	Dave	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	Carmicheal	FF	Frank	Graham
Public Education - Jim Utinans			Training - Division Chief Forest Reeder			EMS - Division Chief-Vacant		
Fire Prevention Division								
Division Chief Jeff Schuck								
P/T Clerk Candace Lencioni								
F/T Fire Insepctor David Schuman								
P/T Fire Inspector Matt Matzl								
P/T Fire Inspector Edward Rogers								
P/T Fire Inspector Joseph Ciraulo								
P/T Fire Inspector James Mulvihill								
P/T Fire Inspector Ken Palenik								
P/T Fire Inspector Brad Butler								
P/T Fire Inspector Ted Lee								
P/T Fire Inspector Kevin Jones								
P/T Fire Inspector Chris Bolsoni								

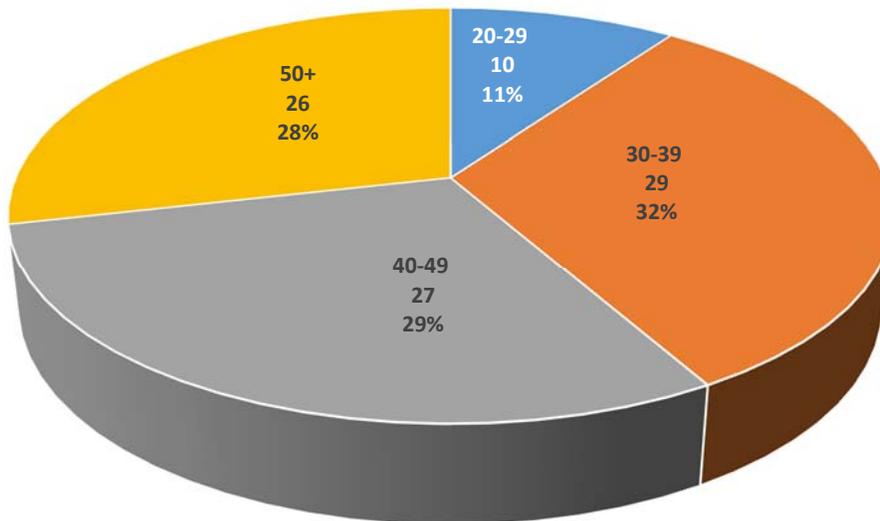
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YEARS OF SERVICE OF SWORN PERSONNEL



AGE OF SWORN PERSONNEL



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PERSONNEL CHANGES AND MILESTONES

Personnel	Changes	Date
Mike Donovan	Fifteen (15) Year Anniversary	February 16, 2014
Brandon Hatch	Fifteen (15) Year Anniversary	February 16, 2014
Candace Lencioni	Hired as P/T Clerk in the Fire Prevention Bureau	May 16, 2014
Mary Nistler	Transferred from Fire Prevention to Headquarters	June 9, 2014
Max Verlinsky	Fifteen (15) Year Anniversary	July 6, 2014
Ed Mazzel	Twenty (20) Year Anniversary	September 12, 2014
Rich Schumann	Twenty (20) Year Anniversary	September 12, 2014
Jason Rychlik	Twenty (20) Year Anniversary	September 12, 2014
Andy Swierczynski	Twenty (20) Year Anniversary	September 12, 2014
Sean Schielie	Fifteen (15) Year Anniversary	September 16, 2014
Dave Macri	Twenty-five (25) Year Anniversary	October 2, 2014
Randy Trost	Retired as Deputy Fire Chief after 26 Years of Service	October 3, 2014
Alan Wax	Five (5) Year Anniversary	October 5, 2014
Ted Lee	Ten (10) Year Anniversary	October 12, 2014
Mike Mueller	Ten (10) Year Anniversary	October 12, 2014
Chris Wozny	Acting Deputy Chief	October 13, 2014 - November 14, 2014
Pedro Pelaez	Resigned as Administrative Analyst	October 24, 2014
Pete Dyer	Promoted from Division Chief to Deputy Chief	November 15, 2014

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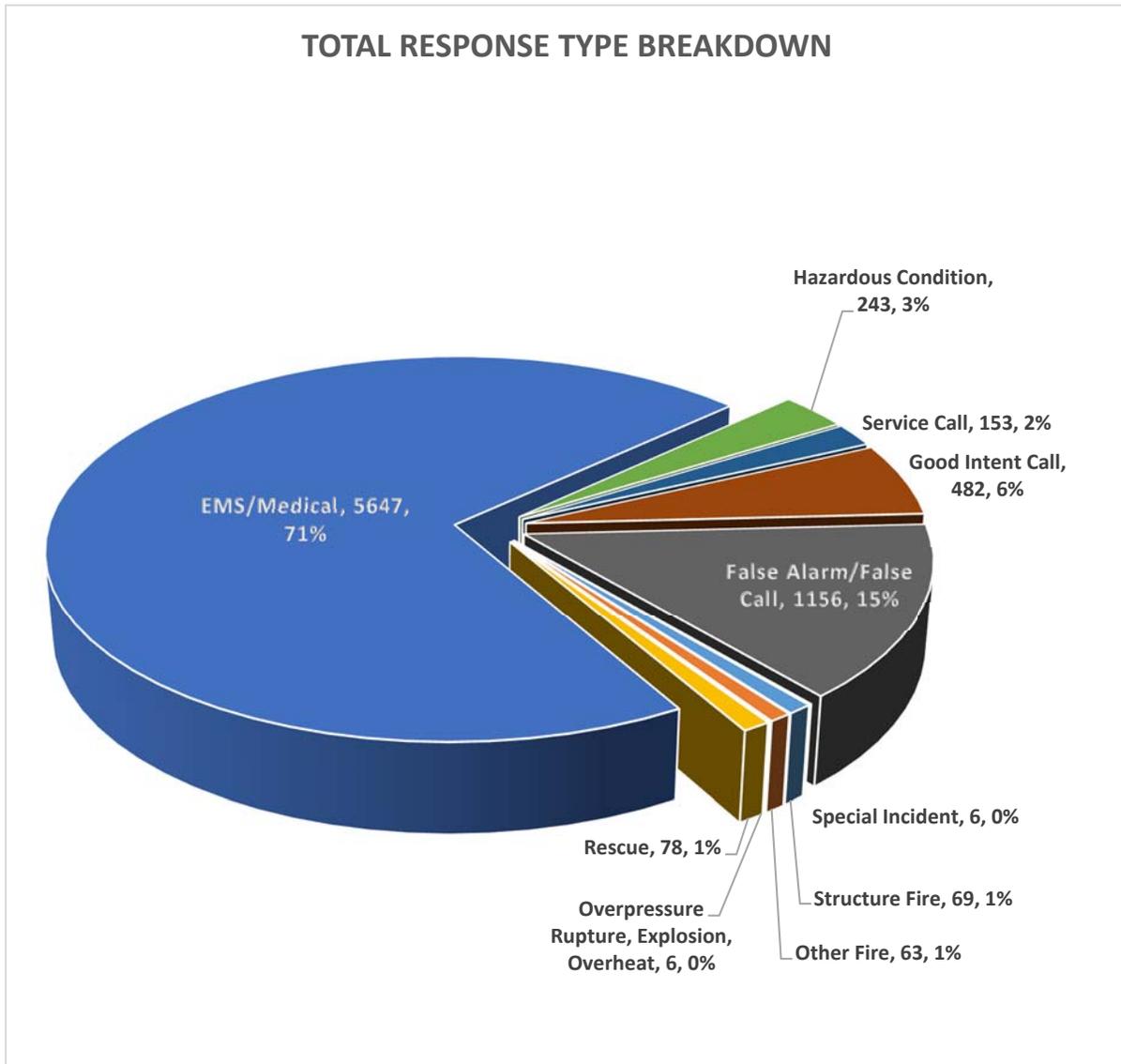
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RESPONSE DATA



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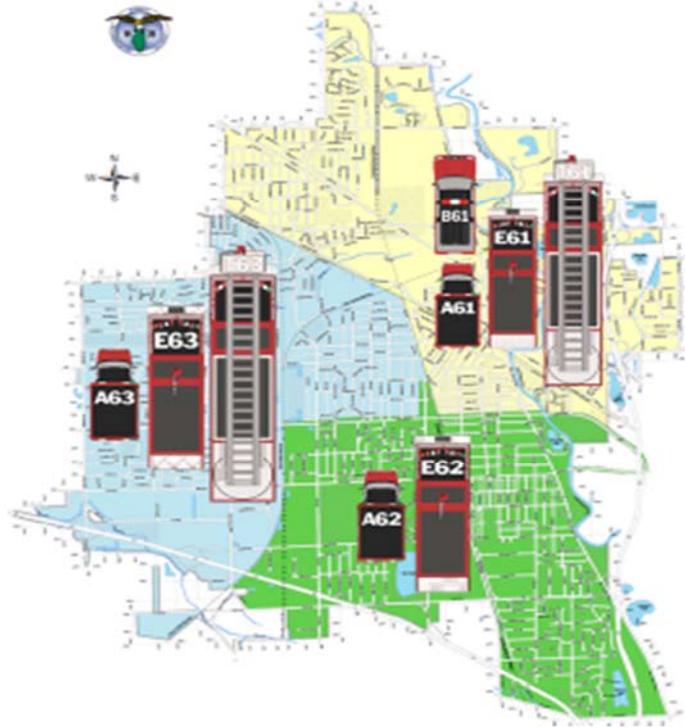
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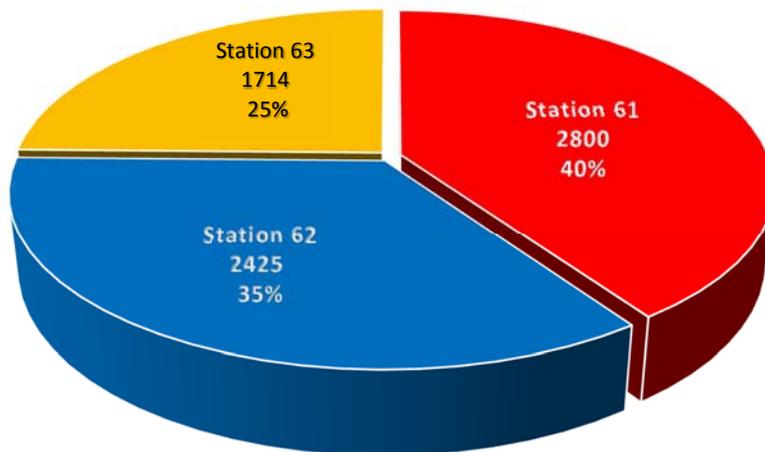
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DES PLAINES STATIONS AND APPARATUS DEPLOYMENT

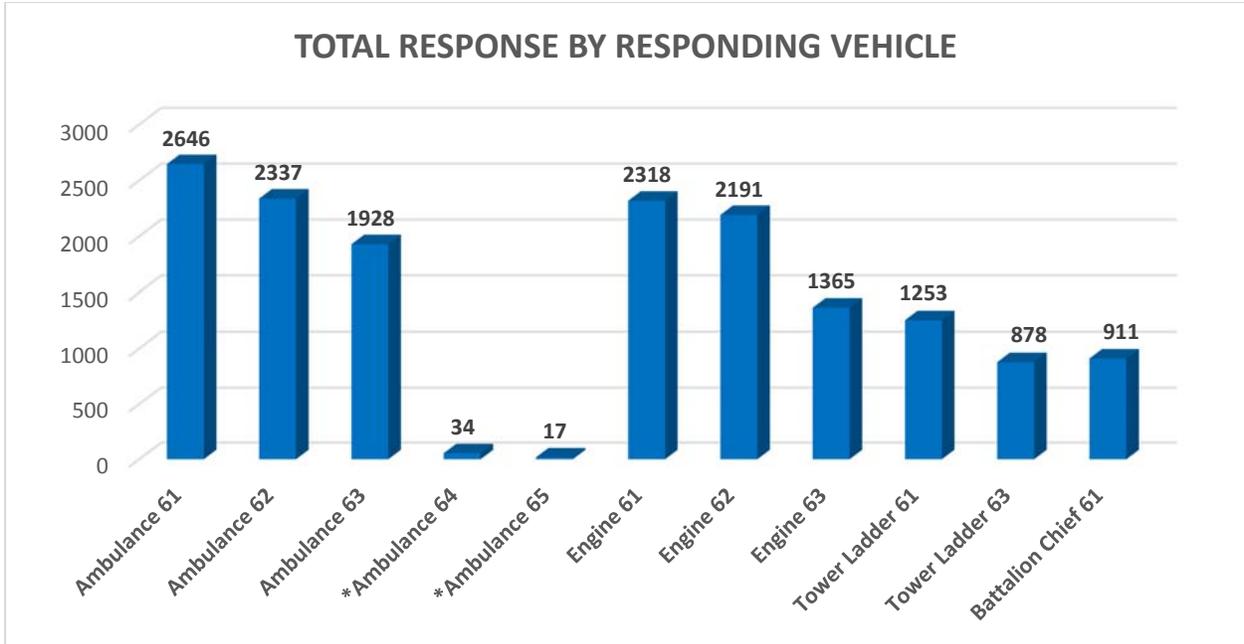


CALLS IN DES PLAINES STATION RESPONSE AREAS

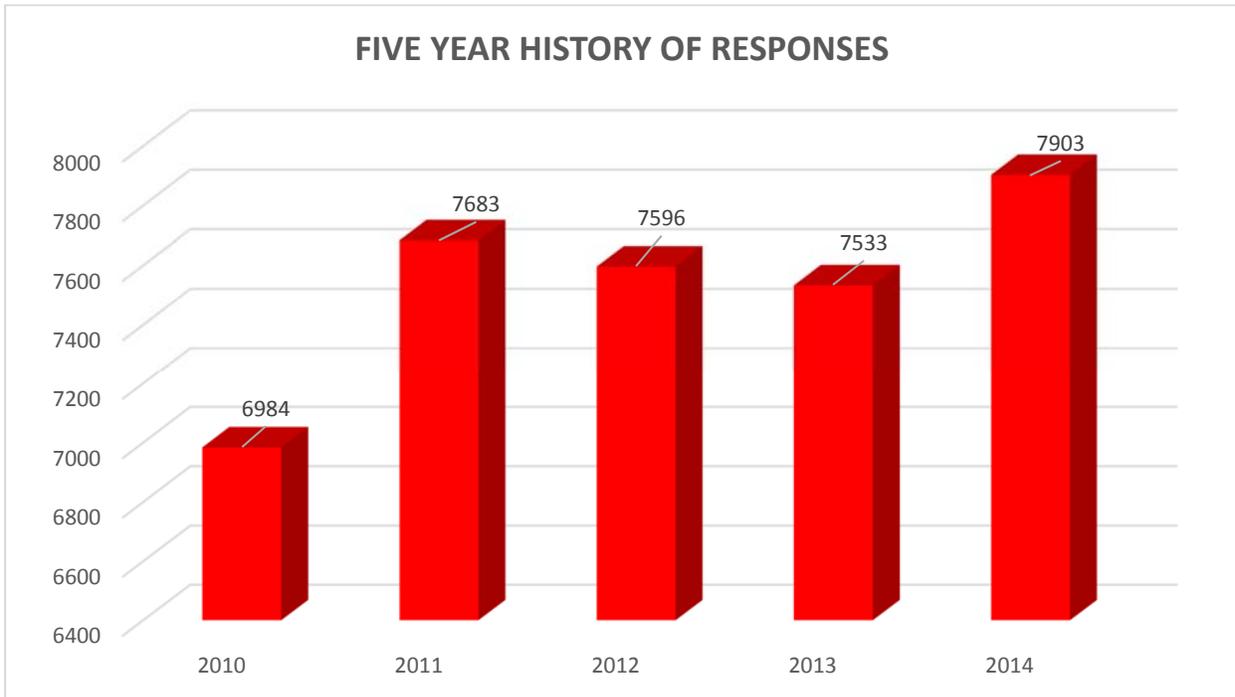


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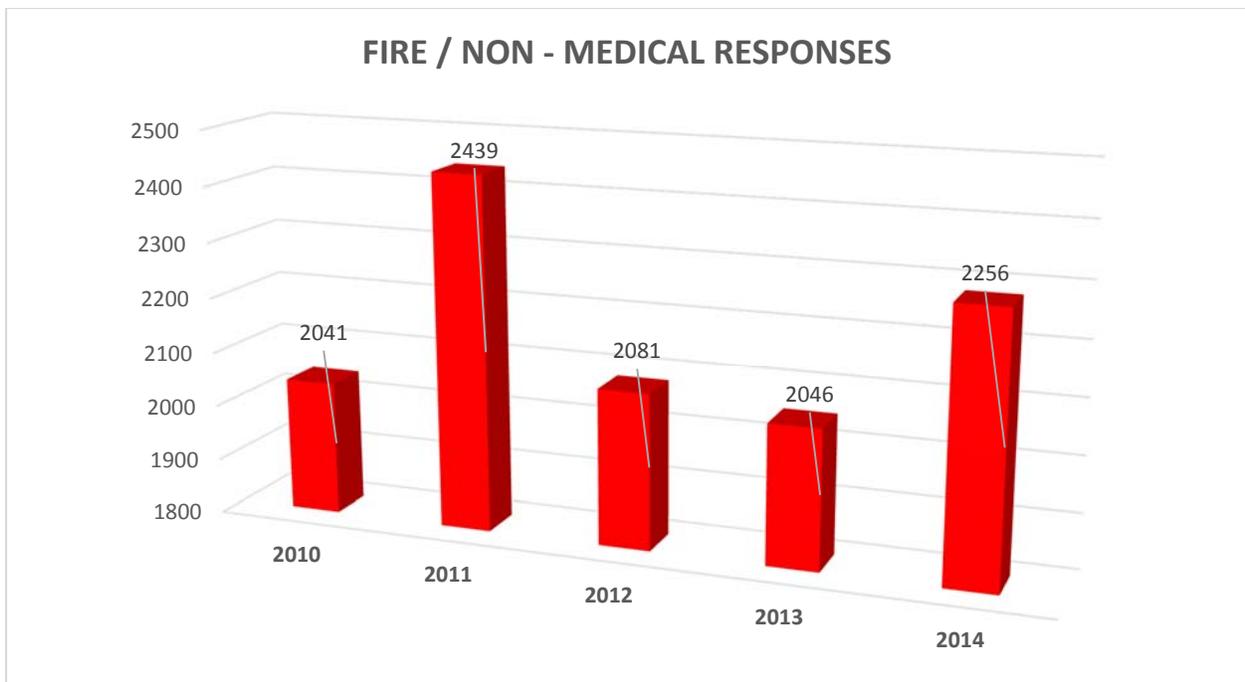
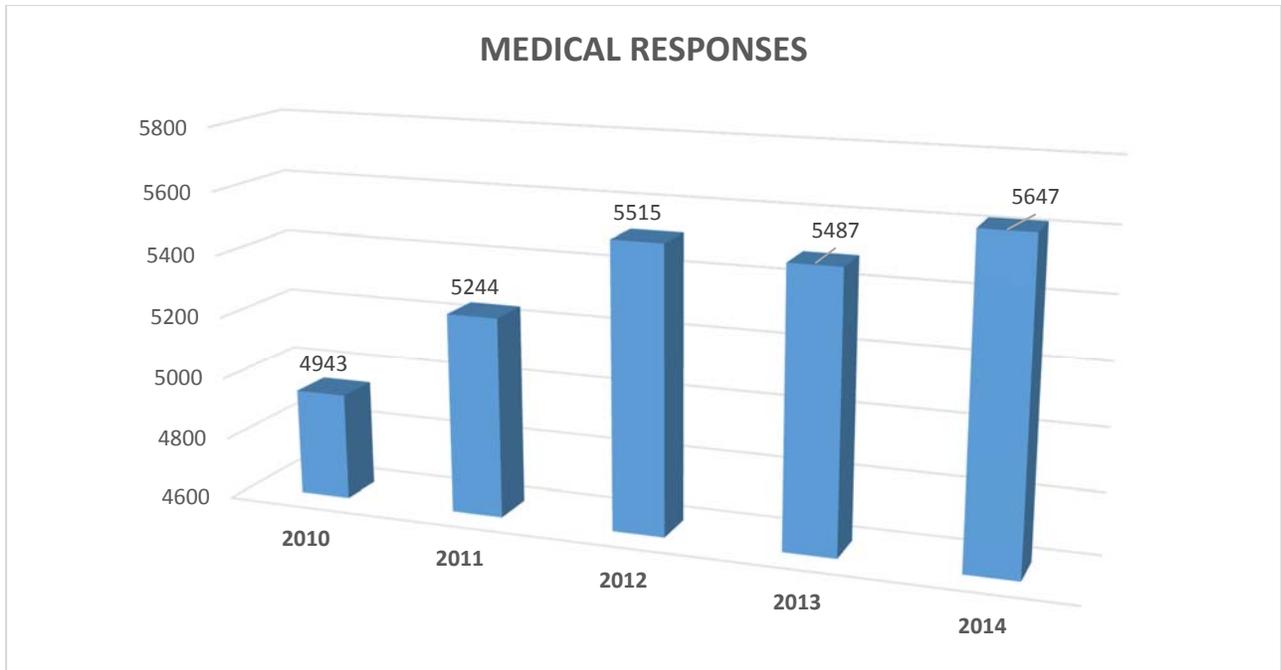


*Reserve unit placed into service when front-line unit out of service



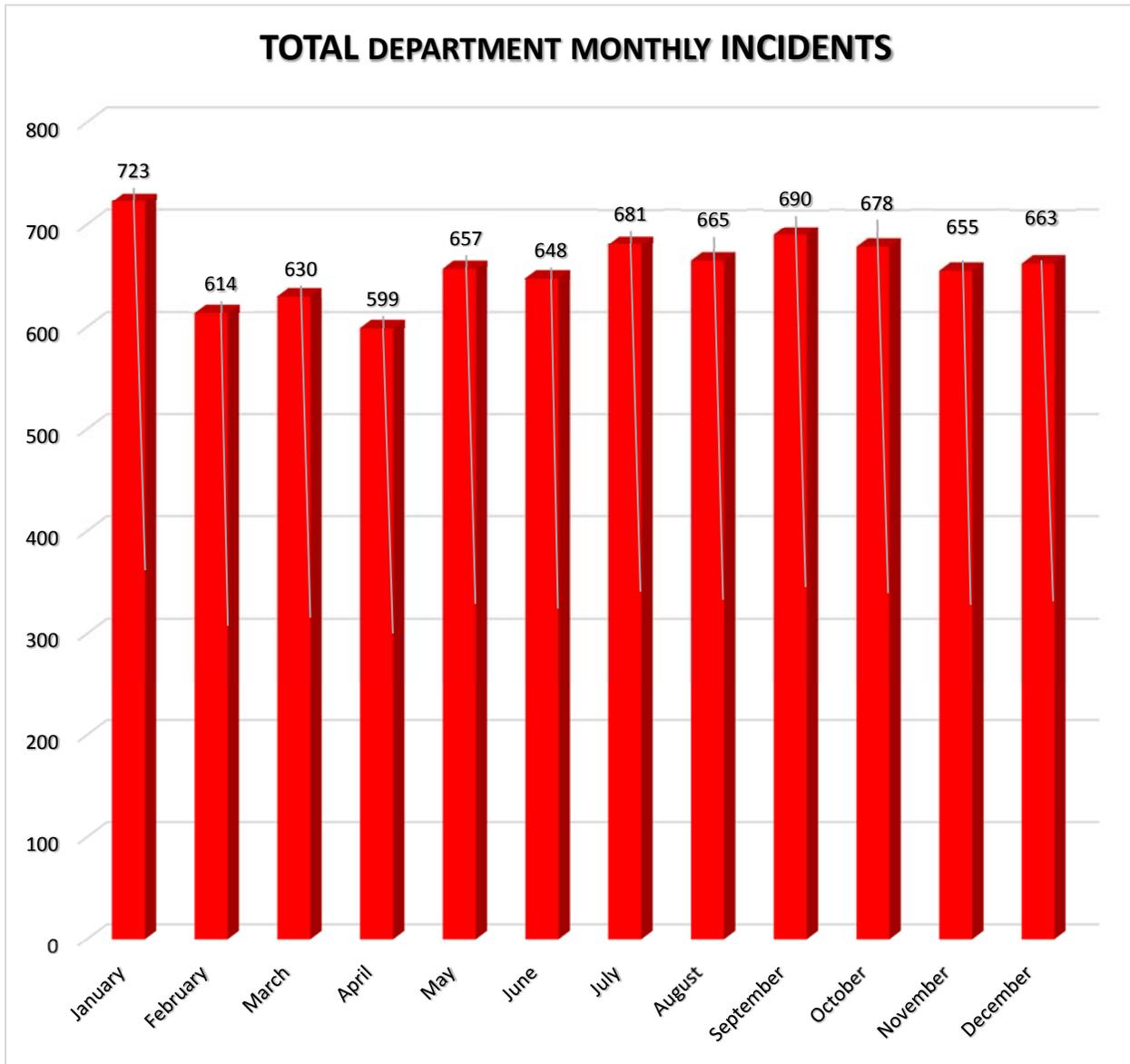
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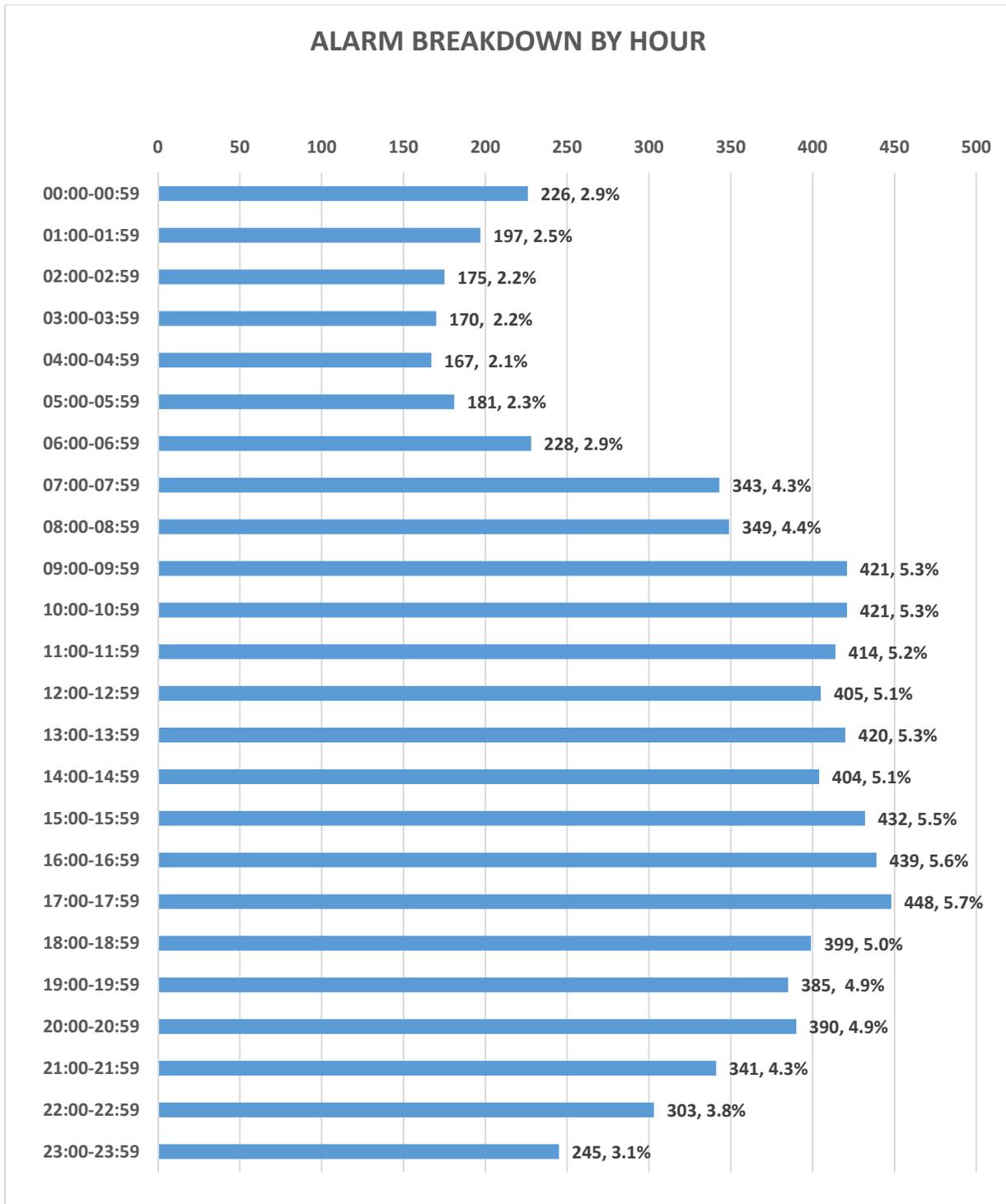
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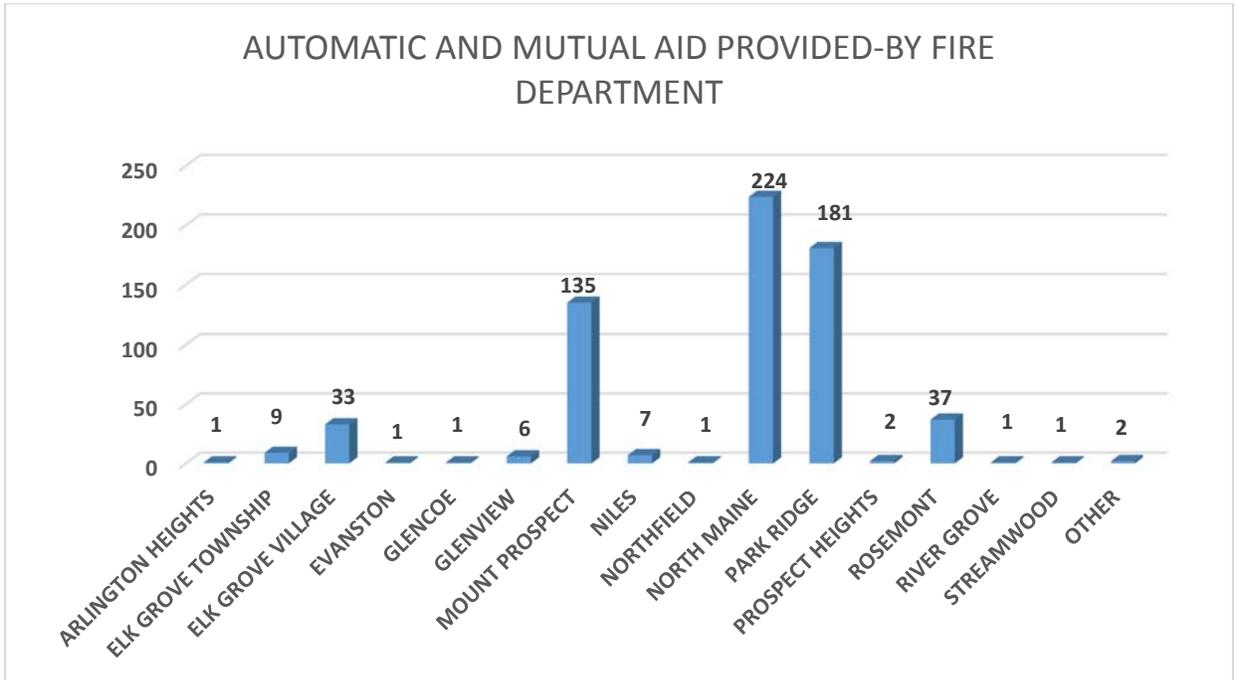
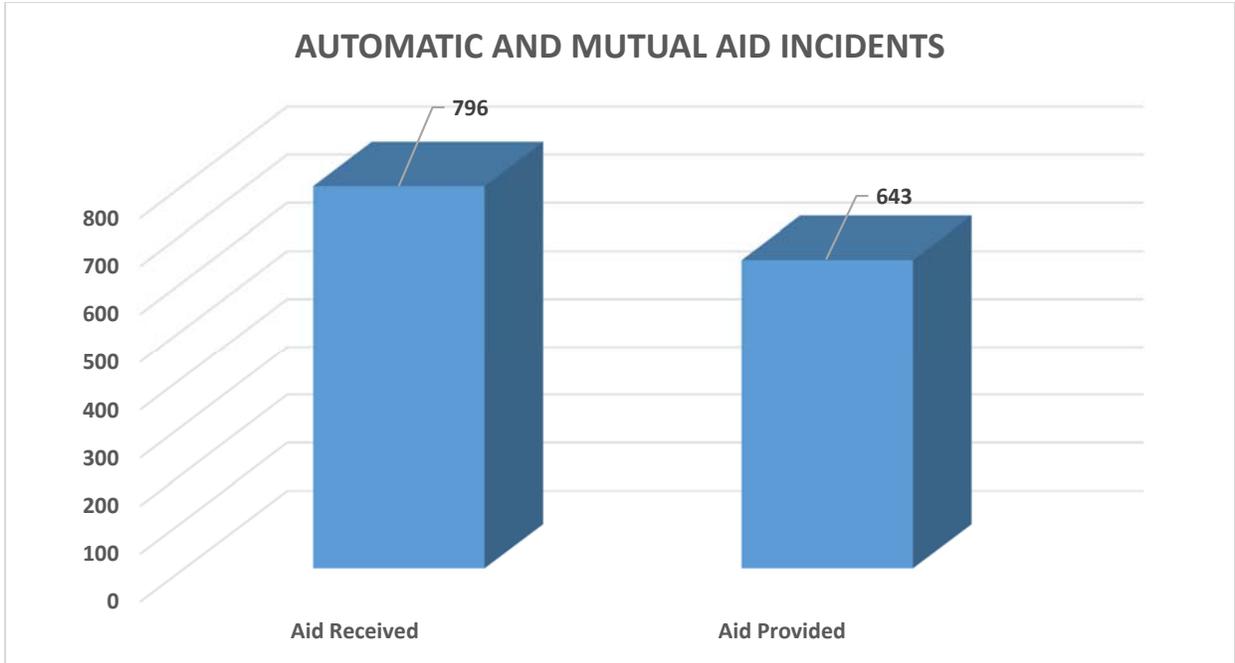
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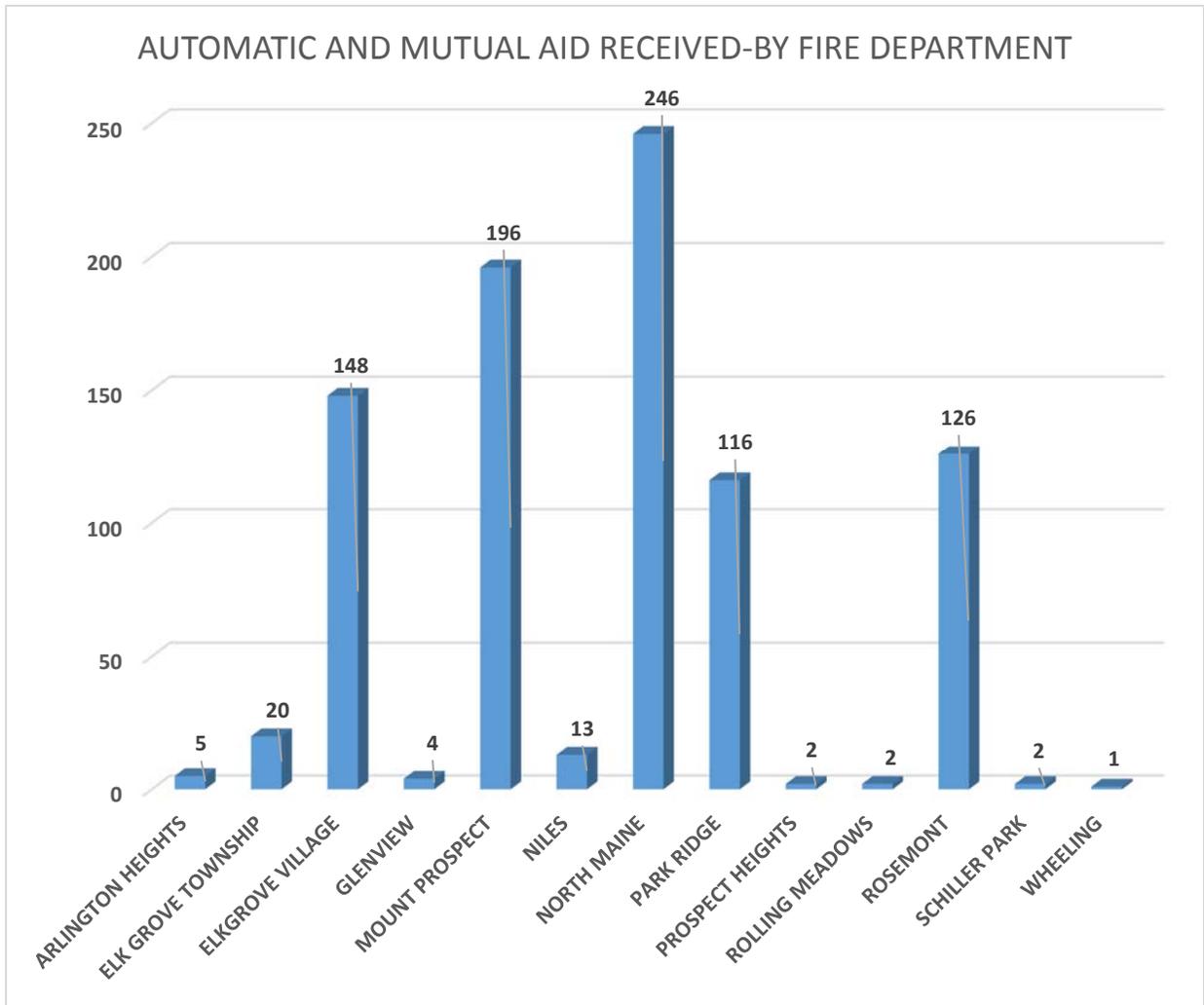
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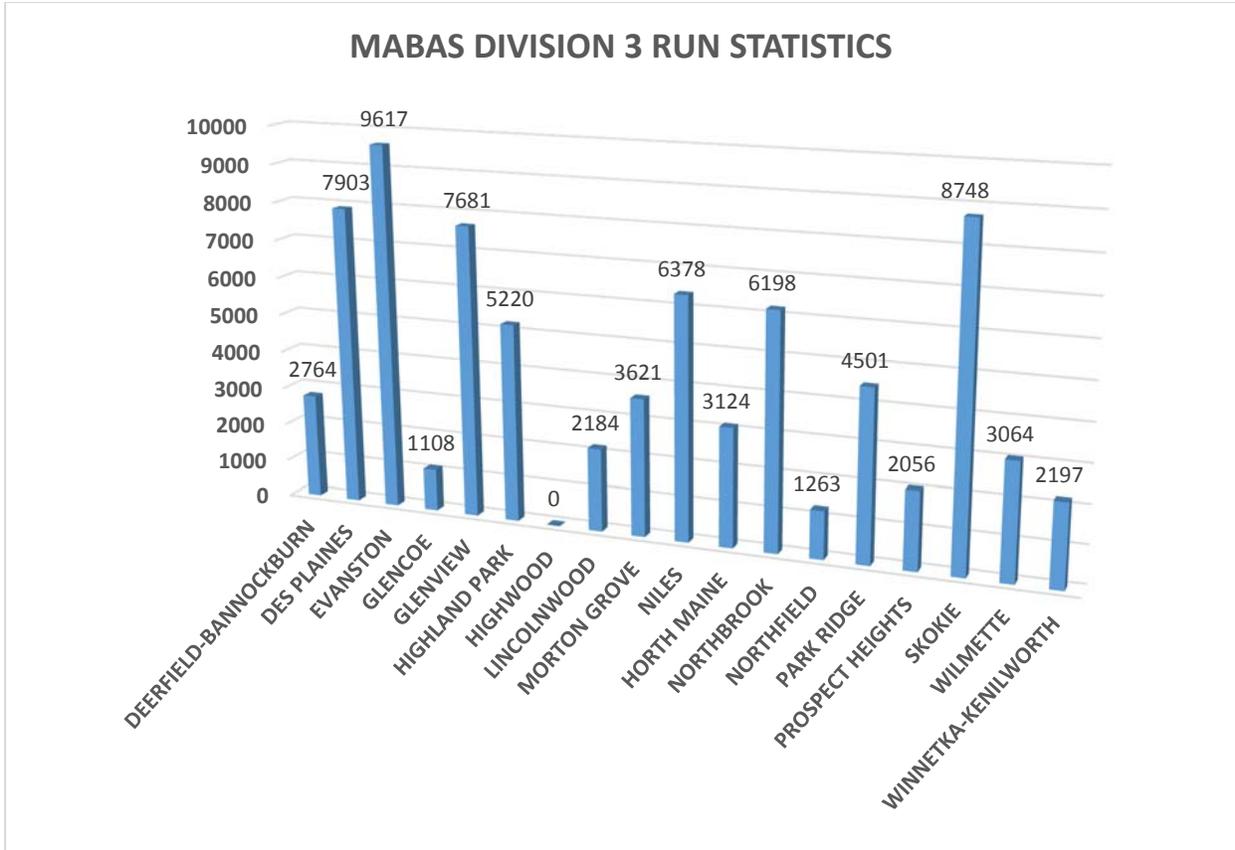
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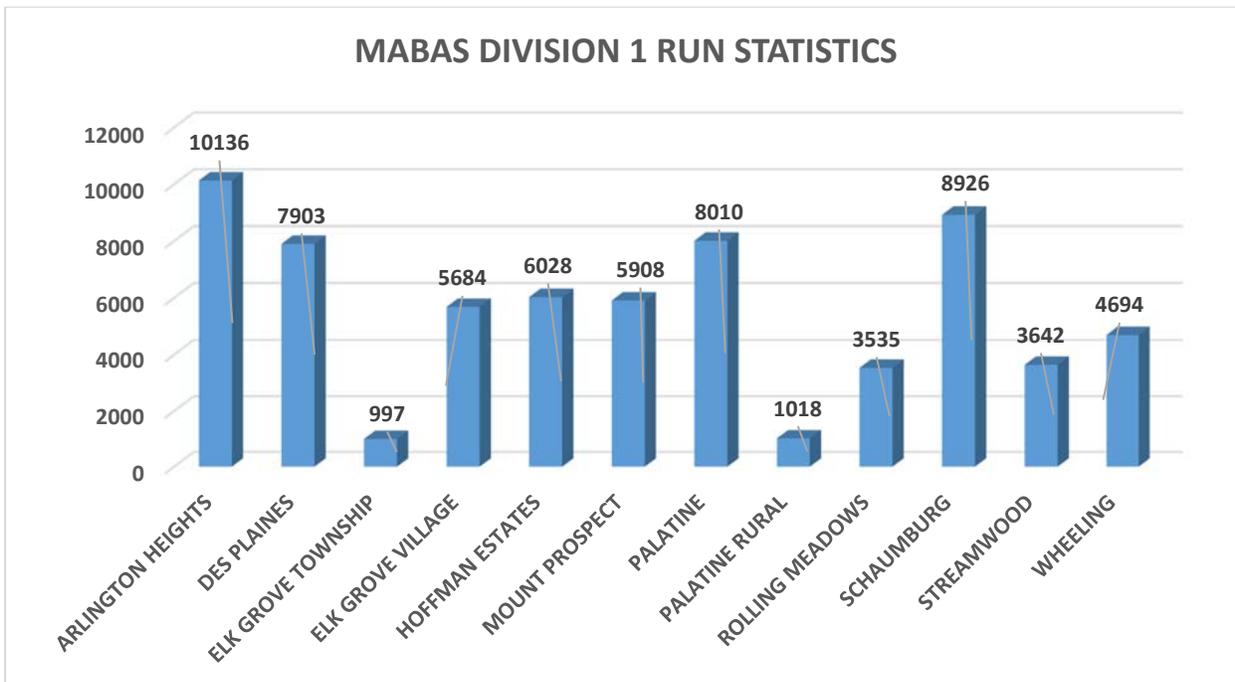


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*Note – Information for Highwood not available



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APPARATUS



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FIRE DEPARTMENT VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENT

ASSIGNED	RADIO DESIGNATION	VEHICLE MAKE/TYPE
	AMBULANCES	
Station #61	Ambulance 61	2008 Ford E-450
Station #62	Ambulance 62	2006 Ford E-450
Station #63	Ambulance 63	2014 Freightliner
Station #63	Ambulance 64 (Bariatric)	2005 Ford E-450
Station #62	Ambulance 65 (Reserve)	2007 Ford E-450
	ENGINES	
Station #61	Engine 61	2005 Pierce
Station #62	Engine 62	2005 Pierce
Station #63	Engine 63	2009 Pierce
Station #61	Engine 64 (Reserve)	1995 E-One
	LADDER TRUCKS	
Station #61	Tower 61	2007 Pierce
Station #63	Tower 63	2000 Pierce
Station #63	Tower 64	1990 Simon LTI
	SPECIALIZED VEHICLES	
Station #61	Battalion 61	2008 Ford Expedition
Station #61	Battalion 63 (Reserve)	2004 Ford Excursion
Fire Prevention Division	FI 65	1997 Ford E-350 (Fire Invest.)
EMA Garage	UT 65	1967 6X6 (Squad)
Station #61	UT 61	1999 Dodge Pick-Up (Training)
Station#63	UT 63	2014 Ford F-350 (Fuel Truck)
Station #61	Dive 61	1995 Ford Cargo Van (Dive Squad)
Station #63	UT 62	2008 Ford F-350
Station #63	HazMat 63	2008 HazMat Trailer
Station #61	Boat 61	2010 Avon Boat and Trailer
Station #63	TRT 63	2013 TRT Trailer

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TRAINING



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MONTHLY TRAINING SCHEDULE

FIVE TOPICS WERE TRAINED-ON EACH MONTH IN ADDITION TO THE MONTHLY TRAINING SCHEDULED

Daily Quick Drill – Company Readiness – Driver Training – Tactical Walk-Thru & Physical Fitness

January
Firefighter Survival Alert
Fireground Communication
Fireground Survival
Company Size-Up Simulation
Vehicle Maintenance

February
MPI Survival
Tactical Simulations
SCBA Mod A
Engineer Review

March
Tactical Sim Demo
Fire Streams/Hydraulics
MABAS Div. 3 Drills

April
Infection Control
Company Lead-Outs
Zoll Monitor/Restraints
MABAS Div. 3 Drills
Engineer Review

May
PPE Inspections
Auto Extrication
Ventilation
Confined Space Operations
Engineer Review

June
Ground Ladders
Pump Refresher
Initial Company Operations
Engineer Review

July
UL Research Update
Rotary Saw In-Service
Roadway Safety
Pump Operations
Haz Mat Refresher

August
RED Center Operations
Annual Hose Testing
UL Research Update
Haz Mat Operations

September
MABAS Div. 3 Fall Drill
Annual Hose Testing
Ambulance In-Service
Communications
Engineer Review

October
MABAS Div. 3 Fall Drill
Fire Prevention Week
Ambulance In-Service
Trench / Structural Collapse
Live Fire Attack

November
UL Research Update
Lock-out / Tag-out
Infection Control Plan
Pump Refresher

December
Grid Map Testing
Apparatus Inventory
Water / Ice Rescue
Probation Written Exam

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COMPLETED STATE CERTIFICATIONS AND COURSES

36,125 TOTAL TRAINING HOURS

<u>Arson Investigation, I,II & III</u> FF/PM Ciraulo	<u>Fire Officer I – Provisional</u> FF/PM Ciraulo FF/PM Berndt	<u>Fire Officer I</u> Engr Felde FF/PM Rogers
<u>Fire Officer II – Provisional</u> Lt Iorio	<u>Fire Instructor I</u> FF/PM Petty	<u>Fire Inspector I</u> Engr Lee
<u>Fire Ground Company Ops</u> FF/PM Rogers Engr Grove	<u>Fire Instructor II</u> Engr Hatch FF/PM Rogers	<u>HazMat Incident Command and IMS</u> FF/PM Szerlag
<u>Vehicle Machinery Ops</u> FF/PM Garhan FF/PM Wilson	<u>Fire Service Vehicle Operator</u> FF/PM Quigel	<u>Confined Space Technician</u> Lt Miller Engr Milton
<u>Training Program Manager</u> Lt Lewis	<u>Basic Fire Inspector</u> FF/PM Schuman	<u>Hazardous Materials IMS</u> Lt Butenschoen
<u>Structural Collapse Ops</u> Lt Miller	<u>Confined Space Technician</u> Engr Milton	<u>Trench Ops</u> FF/PM Matzl
<u>Trench Technician</u> Lt Miller Engr Milton		<u>Rescue Specialist Vertical II</u> Engr Milton

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OUT-OF-DEPARTMENT TRAINING ACTIVITY (6,069 HOURS)

EMS Instructor	Fire Service Leadership
Fire Attack and 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
Cross Fit Trainer	Trench Operations
Di Bernado Seminar	Electrical Safety
ERDI Dive Training	Blue Card Command
Designated Infection Control Officer	Open Water Diver
Solid Fuel Appliances	Training Program Manager

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EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES DIVISION



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NUMBER OF PATIENTS BY DISPOSITION

Response Disposition Type	Number of Patients	Percentage
ALS Treat / Transport	2403	39.77%
BLS Treat / Transport	1758	29.10%
Cancelled	20	0.33%
DOA / Triple Zero	60	0.99%
MPR	163	2.70%
No Patient Found	138	2.28%
No Treatment Required	202	3.34%
Refused Treat / Transport	717	11.87%
Resuscitation Terminated (T.O.R.) - Not Transported by EMS	18	0.30%
Resuscitation Terminated (T.O.R.) - Transported by EMS	1	0.02%
Resuscitation Withheld (D.N.R.)	6	0.10%
Standby Only - No Patient Contact	9	0.15%
Treated, Refused Transport	433	7.17%
Treated, Transferred Care	114	1.89%
Unknown	0	0.00%
Total Patients	6042	100%

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NUMBER OF PATIENTS BY PROVIDER IMPRESSION

Impression Type	Number of Patients	Percentage	Impression Type	Number of Patients	Percentage
Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm	3	0.05%	No Apparent Illness / Injury	402	6.65%
Abdominal Pain / Problems	183	3.03%	Non-Asthma COPD (Emphysema/Chronic Bronchitis)	11	0.18%
Airway Obstruction	5	0.08%	Not Applicable	188	3.11%
Allergic Reaction	26	0.43%	OB / Childbirth	7	0.12%
Altered Level of Consciousness	112	1.85%	OB / Pregnancy Complications	18	0.30%
Asthma	37	0.61%	Obvious Death	37	0.61%
Back Pain (Non-Traumatic)	66	1.09%	Other Abdominal/GI Problem	17	0.28%
Behavioral/Psychiatric Disorder	352	5.83%	Other Cardiovascular Problem	23	0.38%
Bowel Obstruction	4	0.07%	Other CNS Problem	7	0.12%
Cancer	11	0.18%	Other Endocrine/Metabolic Problem	1	0.02%
Cardiac Arrest	45	0.74%	Other G.I. Symptoms	17	0.28%
Cardiac Rhythm Disturbance	74	1.22%	Other GU Problems	11	0.18%
Chest Pain or Discomfort	237	3.92%	Other Illness/Injury	377	6.24%
CHF (Congestive Heart Failure)	22	0.36%	Other OB/Gyn	2	0.03%
Dehydration	10	0.17%	Pain	488	8.08%
Diabetic Hyperglycemia	16	0.26%	Patient Assist Only	4	0.07%
Diabetic Hypoglycemia	104	1.72%	Poisoning / Drug Ingestion	21	0.35%
Diarrhea	29	0.48%	Respiratory Arrest	6	0.10%
Dizziness / Vertigo	122	2.02%	Respiratory Distress	200	3.31%
Epistaxis (Non-Traumatic)	24	0.40%	Seizure	121	2.00%
ETOH Abuse	251	4.15%	Sepsis	13	0.22%
Fever	51	0.84%	Sexual Assault	1	0.02%
G.I. Bleed	22	0.36%	Smoke Inhalation	1	0.02%
General Malaise	33	0.55%	Stroke/CVA	114	1.89%
Headache	37	0.61%	Substance/Drug Abuse	44	0.73%
Heat Exhaustion / Stroke	1	0.02%	Syncope/Fainting	98	1.62%
Hypertension	30	0.50%	TIA (Transient Ischemic Attack)	16	0.26%
Hyperthermia	2	0.03%	Toxic Exposure	1	0.02%
Hypotension	17	0.28%	Traumatic Injury	612	10.13%
Hypovolemia/Shock	1	0.02%	Unconscious (Unknown Etiology)	13	0.22%
Invalid Assist / Lifting Assist	46	0.76%	Unknown Problem	32	0.53%
Migraine	4	0.07%	Vaginal Hemorrhage	6	0.10%
Nausea/Vomiting (Unknown Etiology)	82	1.36%	Weakness	369	6.11%
Near Syncope	22	0.36%	Unknown	683	11.30%
			Total	6042	100%

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NUMBER OF PATIENTS BY INCIDENT LOCATION

Location Type	Number of Patients	Percentage
Business / Commercial	521	8.62%
Health Care Facility	373	6.17%
Home/Residence	3363	55.66%
Industrial Premises	26	0.43%
Lake, River, Other Water	1	0.02%
Other Location	196	3.24%
Public Building / Facility	312	5.16%
Recreation or Sport Facility	74	1.22%
Residential Institution	120	1.99%
Street or Highway	1045	17.30%
Unspecified place	8	0.13%
Unknown	3	0.05%
Total	6042	100%

NUMBER OF PATIENTS BY DESTINATION DETERMINATION

Destination Determination	Number of Patients	Percentage
Closest Facility	3987	65.99%
Not Applicable	1879	31.10%
Patient Choice (not closest)	138	2.28%
Family Choice (not closest)	19	0.31%
Other (note in comments)	10	0.17%
On-line Medical Direction	6	0.10%
Specialty Resource Center	2	0.03%
Patient's Physician Choice	1	0.02%
Unknown	0	0.00%
Total	6042	100%

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NUMBER OF PATIENTS BY DESTINATION HOSPITAL

Destination Hospital	Number of Transports	Percentages
Lutheran General Hospital	3390	56.11%
No Destination	1309	21.67%
Northwest Community Hospital	595	9.85%
Not Transported	571	9.45%
Alexian Brothers Medical Center	146	2.42%
Glenbrook Hospital	17	0.28%
Resurrection Medical Center	13	0.22%
Other Illinois Destination	1	0.02%
Total	6042	100%

EMS TRAINING

Training Category	Number of Classes	Number of Participants	Total Hours
In-Station Paramedic Continuing Education	50	445	921
EMT Continuing Education	47	196	399
General EMS Training	10	67	164.5
Annual EMS Training	9	69	97
Paramedic Practical	6	51	51
Total	122	828	1632.5

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FIRE PREVENTION BUREAU



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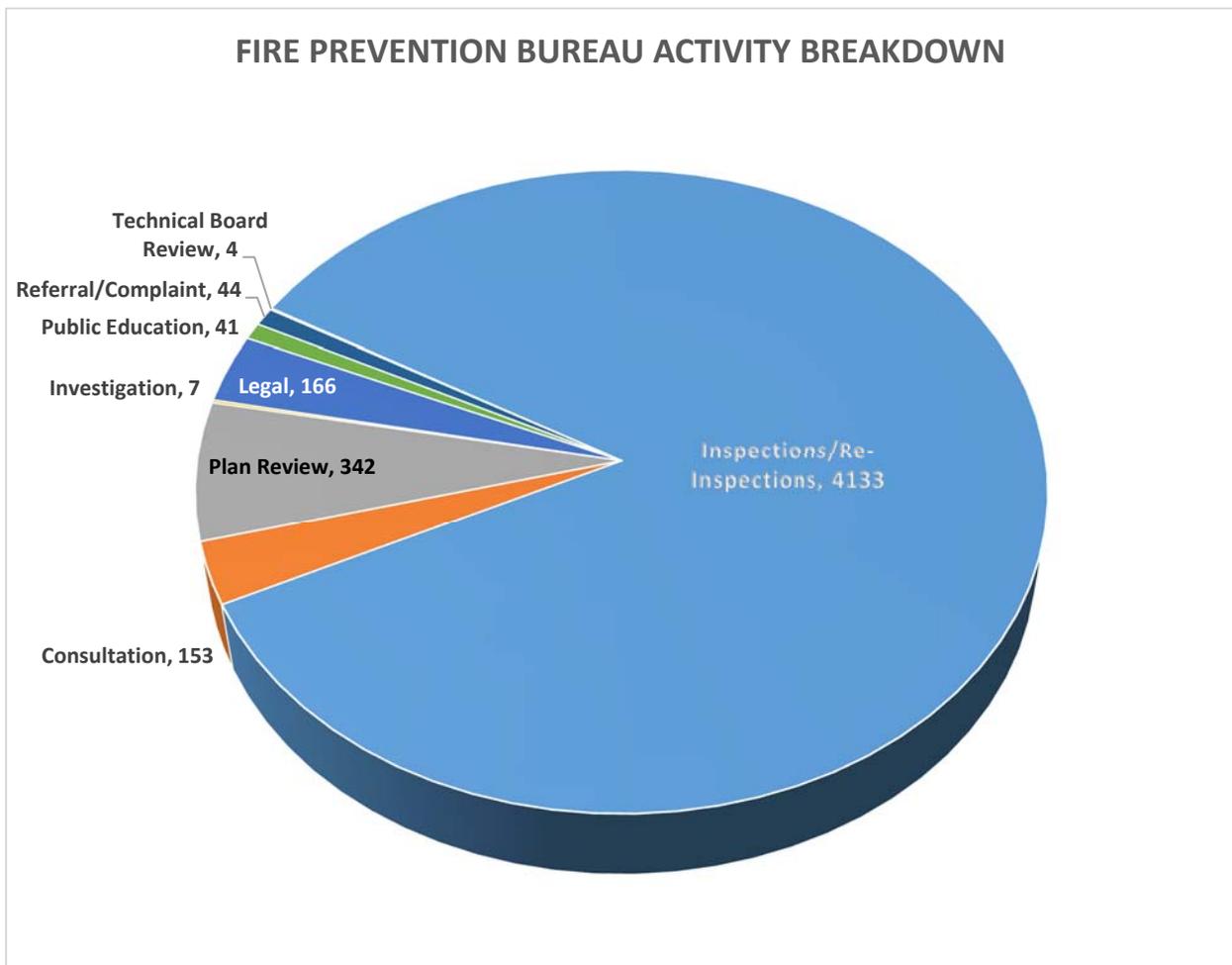
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FIRE PREVENTION BUREAU ACTIVITY

TYPE	DESCRIPTION	TOTAL
Consultation	Assembly, Building, Fire Alarm, Fire Protection, Hazardous Operation, License, Other, Permit, Sprinkler System	153
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	4,133
Investigation	Cause (Fire), General, Other	7
Legal	Citation, Court Appearance, Freedom of Information, Simple Notice	166
Plan Review	Architectural, Assembly, Building, Fire Alarm, Fire Protection, General, Hood and Duct, Mechanical, Other, Permit, Site, Sprinkler System	342
Public Education	Day Care, Elementary School, General, High School, Other, Special Group	130
Referral/ Complaint	Building, Citizen, Department, Fire, General, Housing Safety, Other	44
Technical Board Review		4

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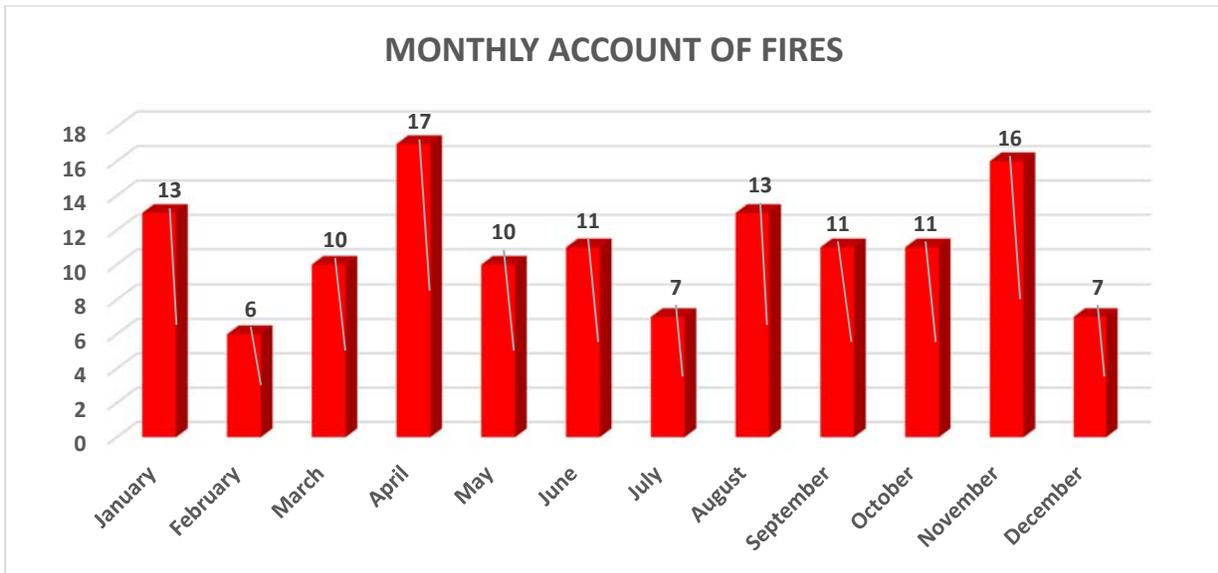
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FIRE LOSS



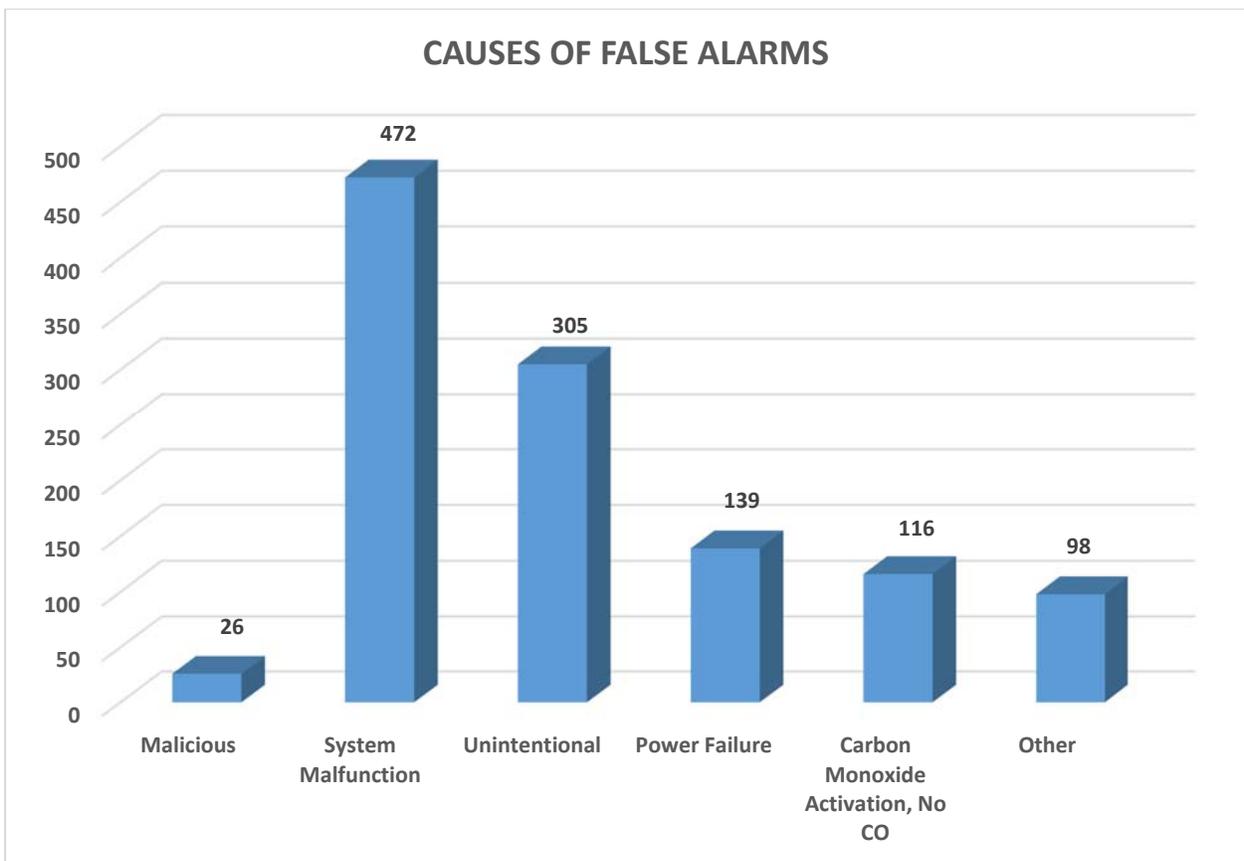
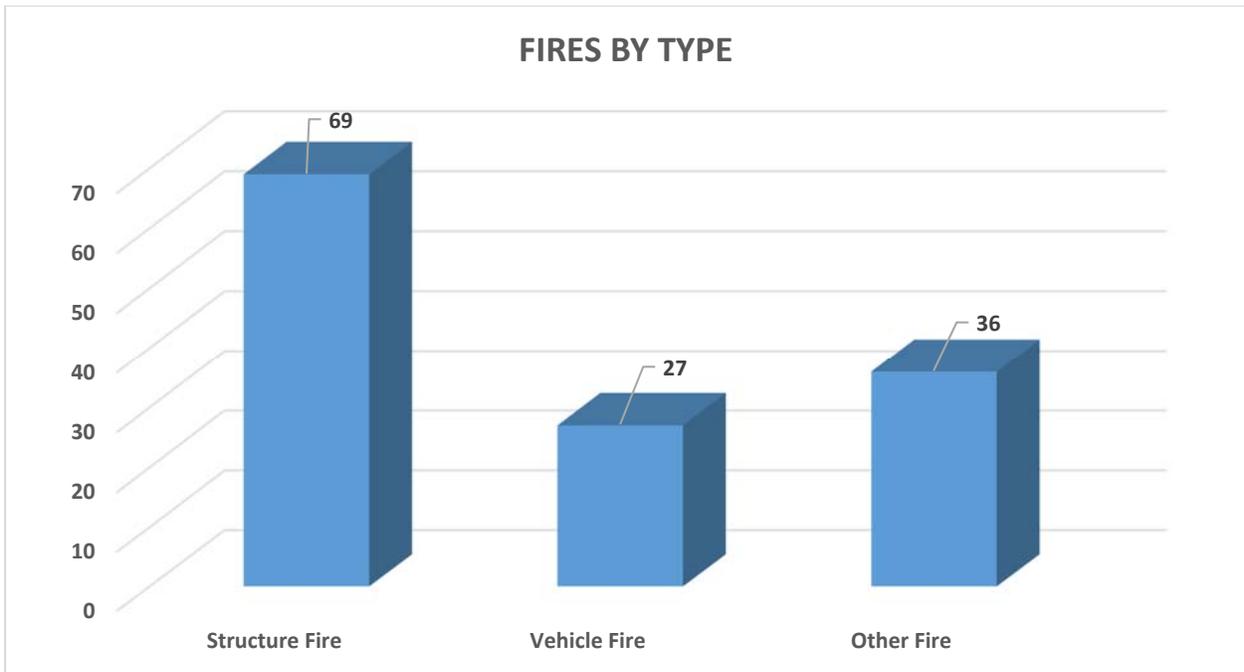
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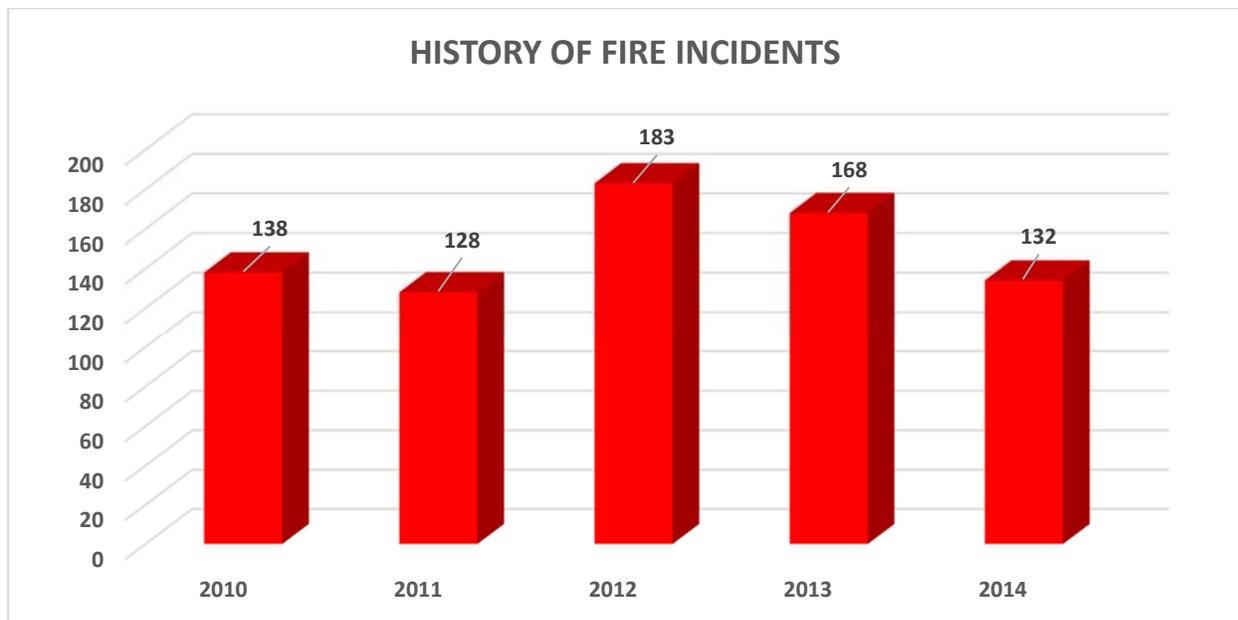


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FIRES WITH GREATEST FIRE LOSS

Date	Location	Total Dollar Loss
March 7, 2014	210 W. Walnut	\$85,000
March 26, 2014	509 S. Westgate	\$200,000
April 17, 2014	650 Murray Lane	\$55,000
December 12, 2014	1871 Busse Highway	\$210,000



FIRE – RELATED INJURIES AND FATALTIES

	Injuries	Fatalities
Civilians	6	0
Fire Service	3	0

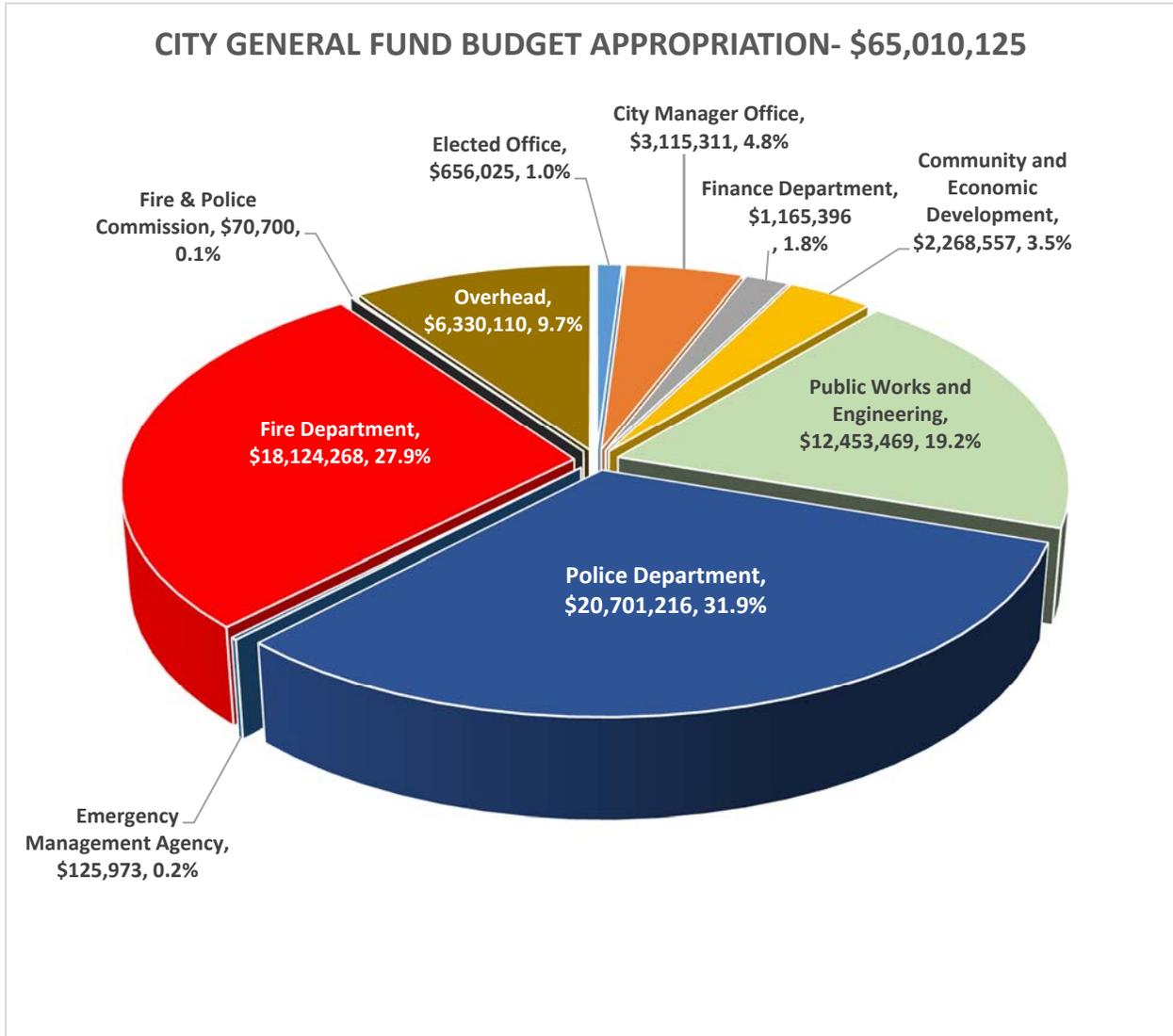
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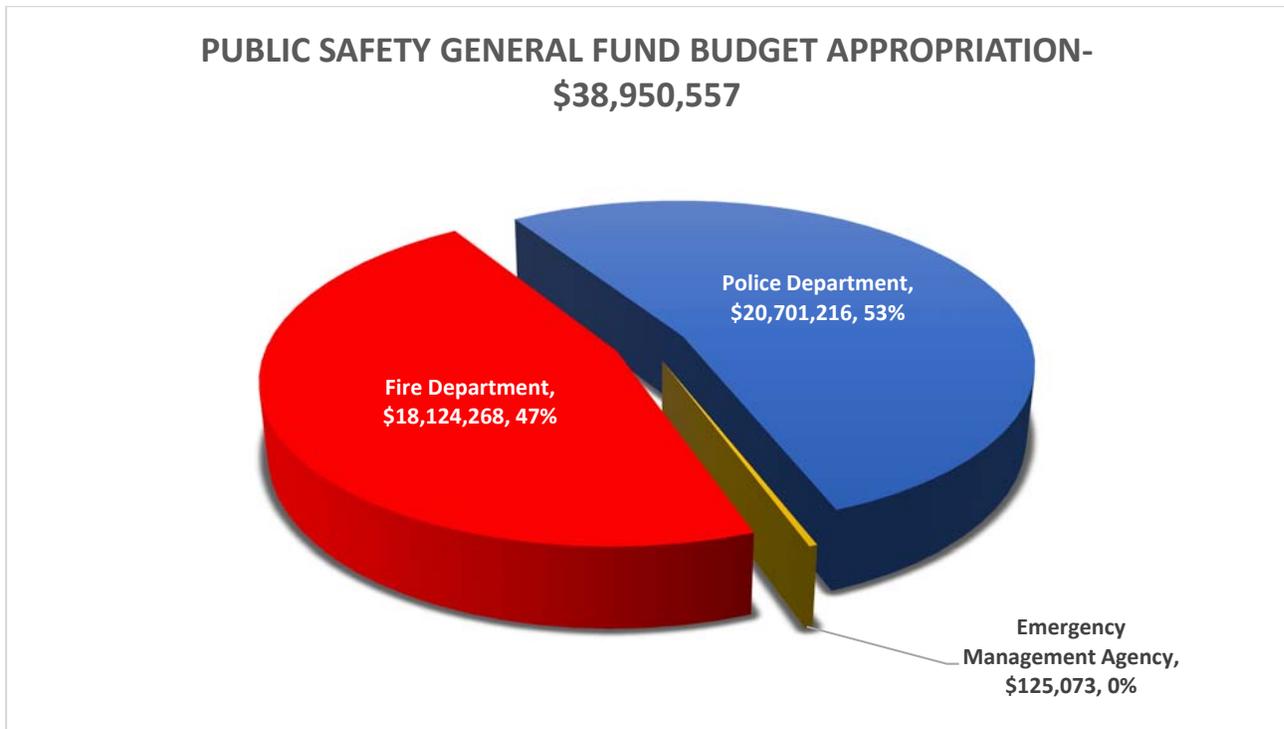
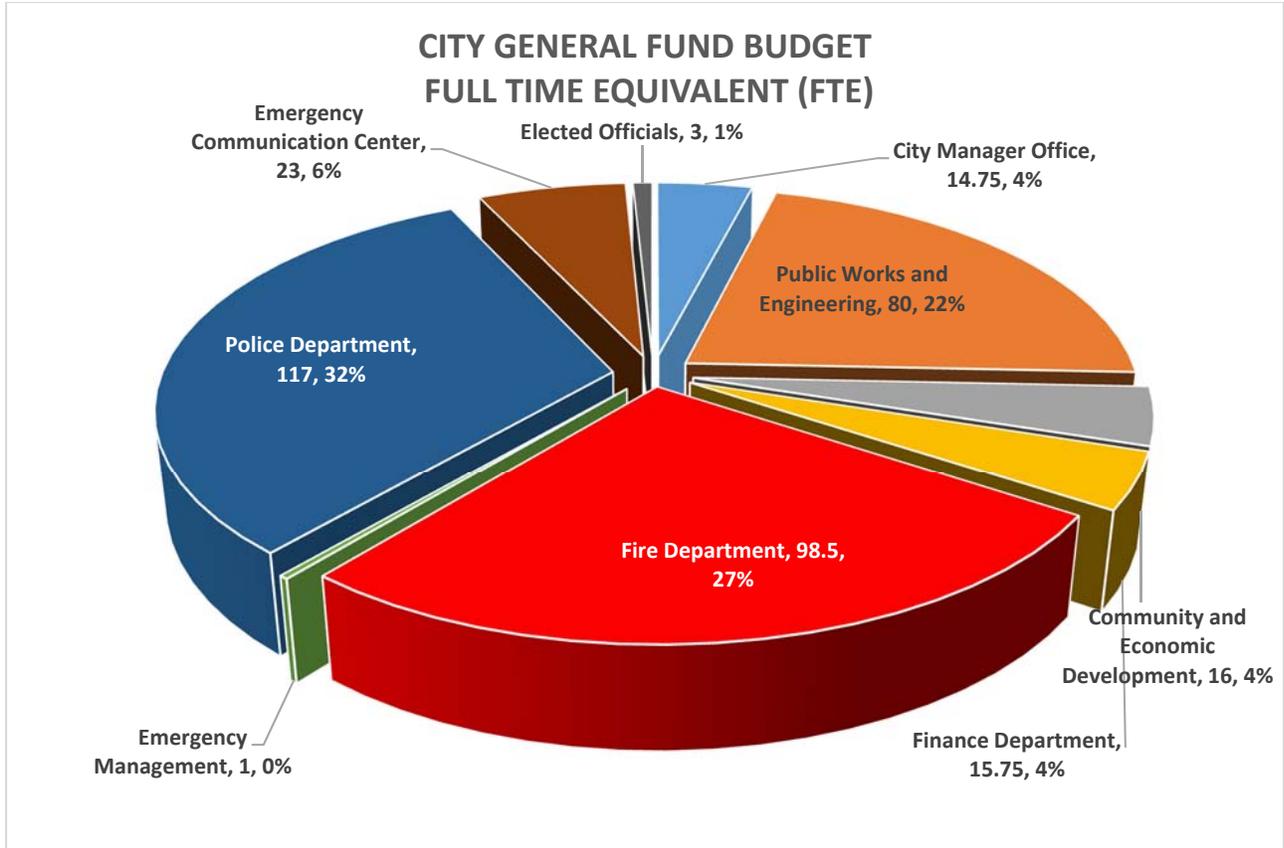
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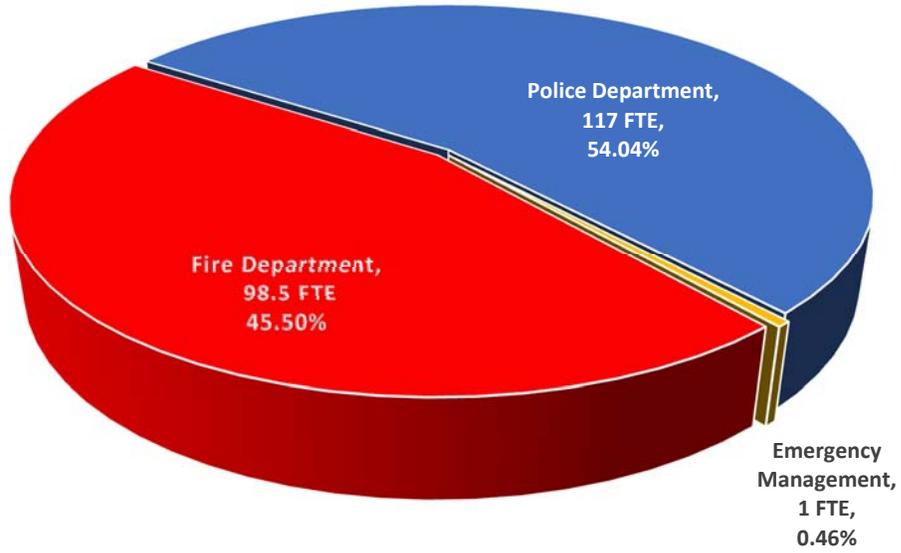
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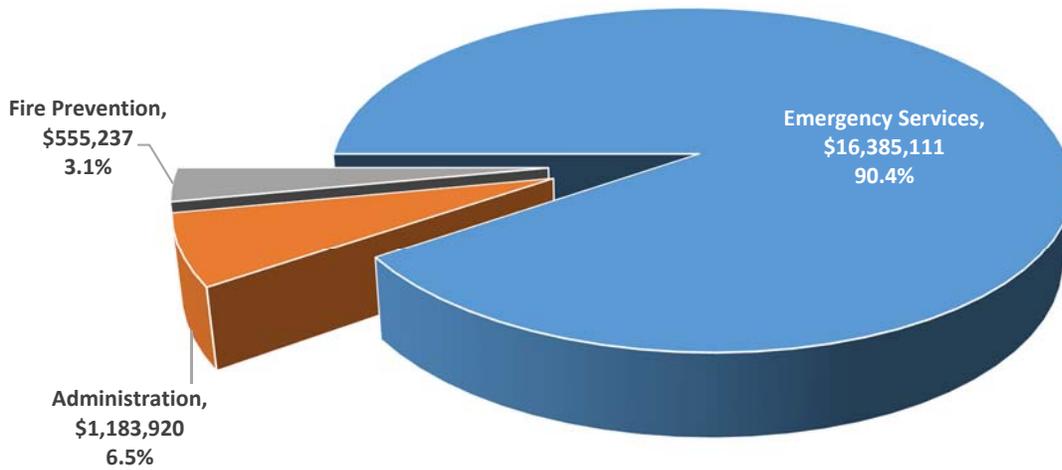
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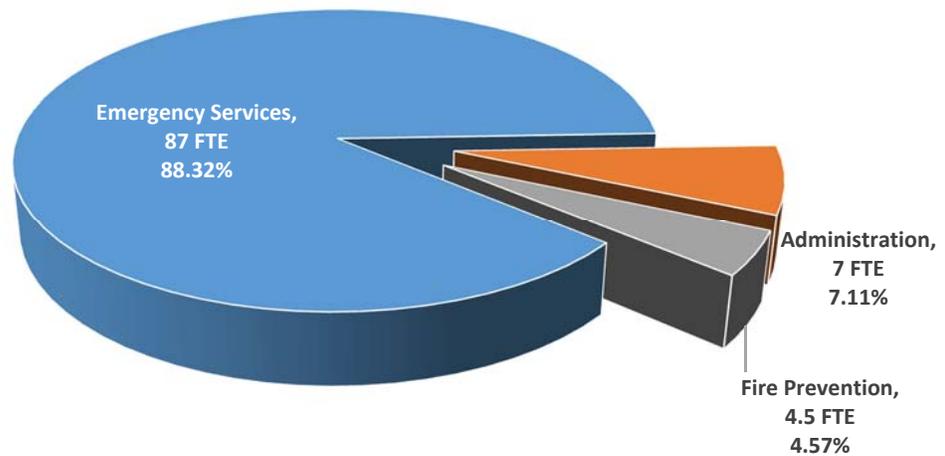
FIRE DEPARTMENT BUDGET APPROPRIATION- \$18,124,268



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FIRE DEPARTMENT BUDGET-FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE) PERSONNEL-98.5



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BOARD OF FIRE AND POLICE COMMISSIONERS**



COMMISSIONER ARTHUR LUKOWICZ (CHAIRMAN)



COMMISSIONER DEBRA LESTER



COMMISSIONER MICHAEL ALBRECHT

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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 Des Plaines Board of Fire and Police Commissioners 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 process and selection and the hiring of new recruits, as well as promotions within the sworn ranks of the Fire and Police Departments. The Board is also responsible for maintaining the Rules and Regulations for both departments as well as implementing changes that are required. The Board also conducts hearings for suspension and termination of sworn member's in the Departments, if necessary.

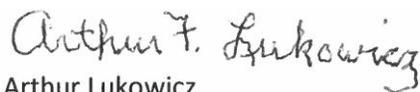
In 2014, the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners hired five police officers and promoted three officers to the rank of Sergeant in the Police Department.

In 2014, the BFPC ran tests and created eligibility lists for both the Police and Fire Departments. The Fire Department had a total of 103 applications taken out. Of the 103 applications, 81 candidates were eligible for the written exam, 76 candidates sat for the exam, and 56 passed. Of the 56 candidates who passed, 36 went on to pass the Physical Ability Test and were placed on the eligibility list. The Police Department had 376 applications submitted and 347 were eligible to sit for the written exam. Of the 347 eligible, 299 sat for the exam and 240 passed the written portion of the exam and were placed on the eligibility list.

In July of 2014, the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners updated the Rules and Regulations to incorporate the new laws that had been imposed by the legislature and the Governor.

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

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