

B.S.T.&G. FIRE DISTRICT

STATION 350



2024 ANNUAL REPORT

MISSION

WE, THE MEN AND WOMEN OF THE B.S.T. & G. FIRE DISTRICT COMMIT TO PROVIDING A SUPERIOR SERVICE TO THE CITIZENS WE SERVE THROUGH TRAINING, EDUCATION, AND WILLINGNESS TO EXHAUST ALL OPTIONS TO PROTECT LIFE AND PROPERTY WHILE HONORING OUR VISION AND CORE VALUES WHILE REACHING OUR GOAL OF INCIDENT STABILIZATION.

VISION

WE WILL PROVIDE EDUCATION, RESPOND TO EMERGENCIES, AS WELL AS PROVIDE SERVICE TO OUR COMMUNITY TO THE BEST OF OUR ABILITY. WE WILL GIVE THE HIGHEST LEVEL OF SERVICE POSSIBLE, GIVEN OUR AVAILABLE RESOURCES, AND DO SO IN THE MOST PROFICIENT AND RESPONSIBLE MEANS. WE WILL CONTINUE TO PROVIDE THE HIGHEST LEVEL OF SERVICE EXPECTED FROM OUR CITIZENS AND CONTINUE TO PRO-ACTIVELY EVALUATE OUR CITIZENS NEEDS TO SHAPE THE FUTURE OF OUR FIRE DISTRICT.

CORE VALUES

THE BIG FOUR:

TREAT PEOPLE RIGHT

DO YOUR JOB

ALL IN ATTITUDE

ALL OUT EFFORT

PASSION

DEDICATION

INTEGRITY

COURAGE

On behalf of the B.S.T. & G. Fire District, it is both an honor and a privilege to present the 2024 Annual Report to the Board of Trustees, our residents, and the businesses we proudly serve. This report reflects the dedication and professionalism of our personnel, and it highlights the essential services we provide to the communities of Berkshire Township, the City of Sunbury, Trenton Township, and the Village of Galena—services that would not be possible without your ongoing support.

The year 2024 was marked by significant activity and continued growth across our service area. Call volume, fire inspections, and community development reached new record levels. In addition to this upward trend, we responded to unique and challenging events. In March, a tornado impacted every jurisdiction within our district. Despite widespread damage, we are grateful to report there were no injuries or fatalities—an outcome that speaks to the resilience and preparedness of our communities. Later in the year, we coordinated emergency operations for the solar eclipse, planning extensively to ensure public safety. Once again, we were fortunate that the day passed without incident.

Perhaps the most defining moment of 2024 was the successful passage of a 0.78 mill bond issue, approved by voters, to fund the construction of our second fire station—Station 352. The new station, to be located at 485 Wilson Road near Camping World, represents a crucial expansion of our operational capacity. Groundbreaking is expected in early 2025, with occupancy anticipated in the first quarter of 2026.

We want to extend our deepest gratitude to the voters for your confidence and support. Your approval of the bond issue is not just a vote for bricks and mortar—it is a powerful affirmation of your trust in our mission and your commitment to enhancing public safety. Your investment will allow us to respond more quickly and efficiently as our communities continue to grow. This new station is a reflection of your partnership with us, and we are honored to serve a public that values safety, service, and readiness. Thank you for standing with us.

As we look to the future, we remain steadfast in our commitment to meeting the challenges ahead and exceeding your expectations.

We are here for all of you—anytime you need us.

Respectfully,

Christopher R. Kovach
Fire Chief

FIREFIGHTERS PRAYER



**When I am called to duty God, wherever flames may rage,
give me strength to save a life, whatever be its age.**

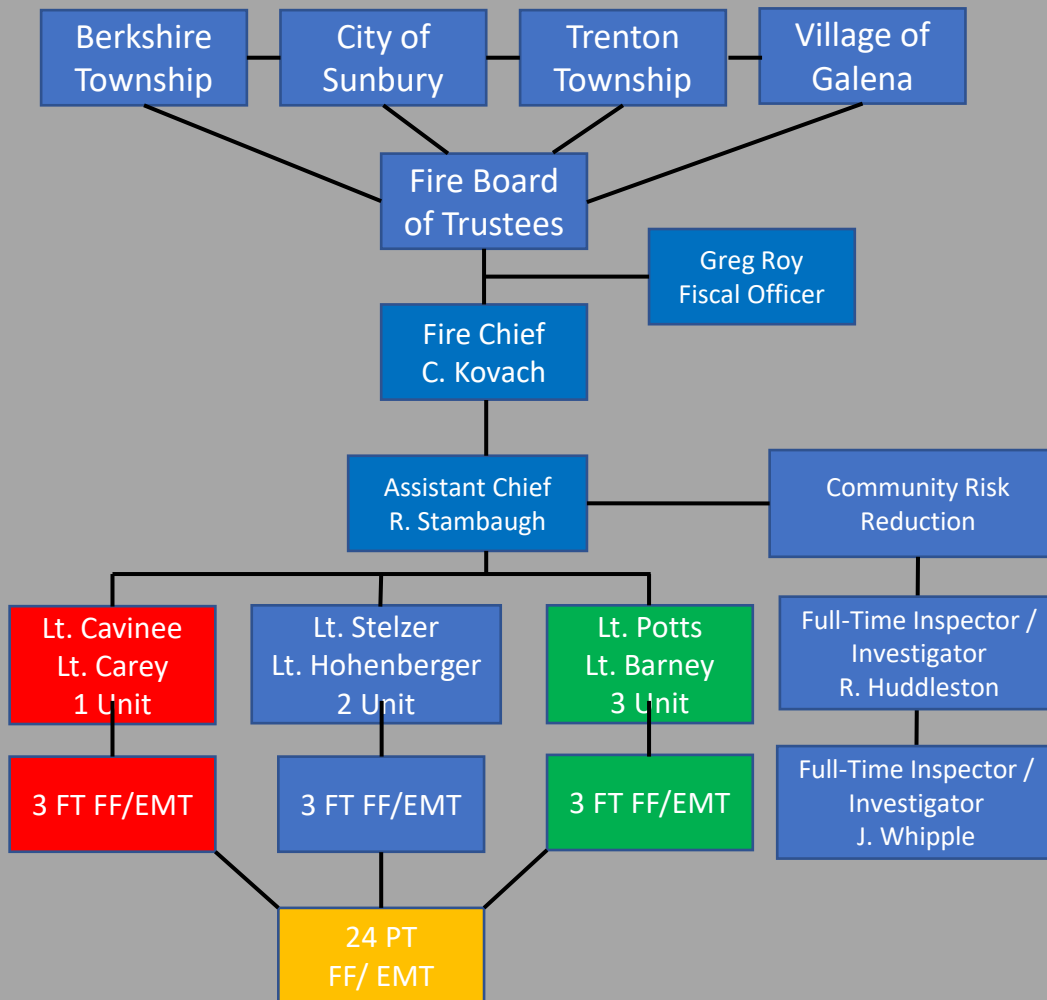
**Help me to embrace a little child, before it is too late,
or save an older person from the horror of that fate.**

**Enable me to be alert, to hear the weakest shout,
and quickly and efficiently to put the fire out.**

**I want to fill my calling and to give the best in me,
to guard my every neighbor and protect his property.**

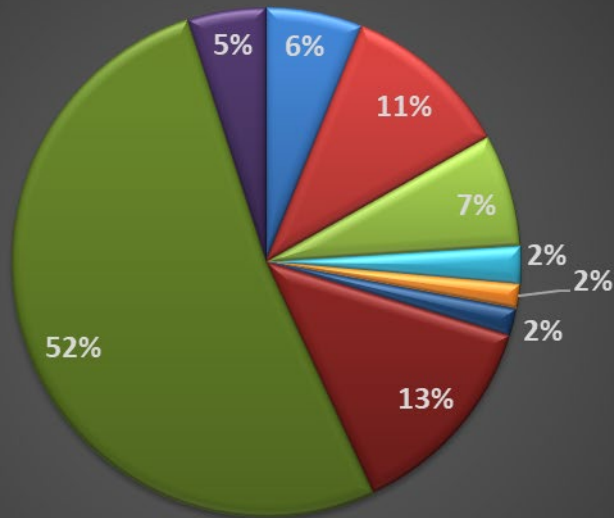
**And if according to your will I am to lose my life,
please bless with your protecting hand, my loving family
from all strife.**

ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



2024 STATISTICS

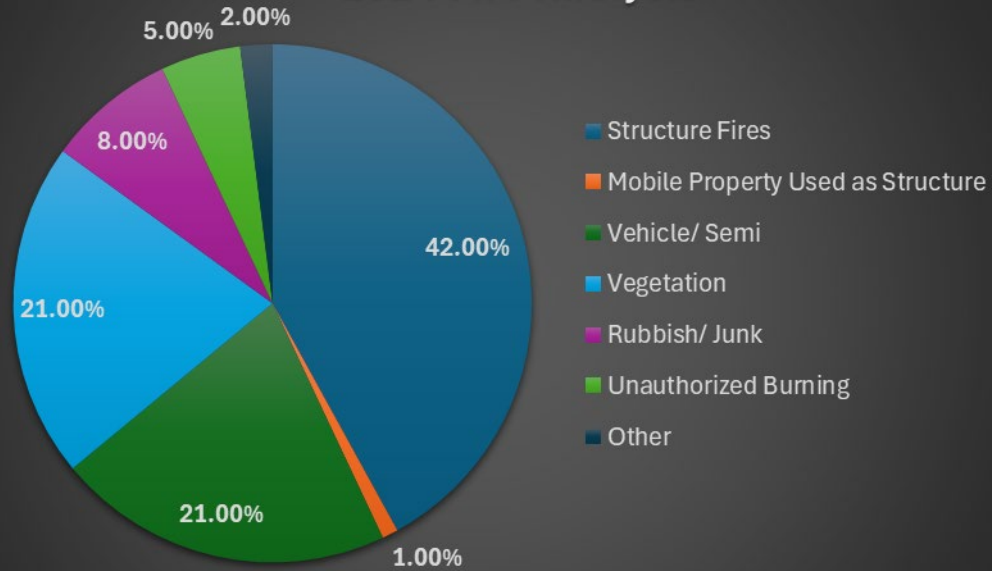
2024 Incident Call Volume: **1,644 Incidents**



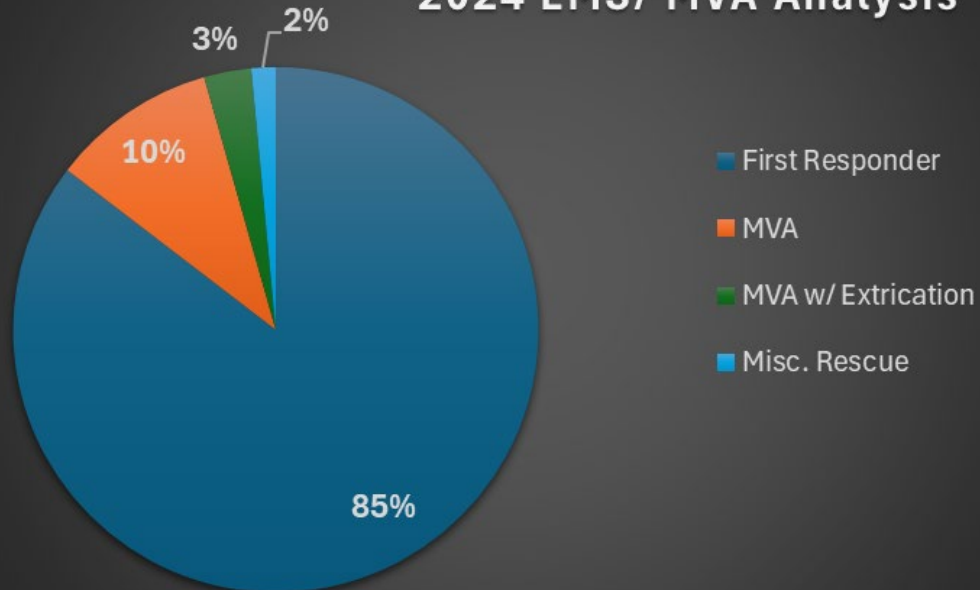
- Fires
- False Alarms
- MVA's
- Bomb Threat
- Gas Leak
- Electrical
- Extractions
- Misc
- EMS
- Service

Fires	101
False Alarms	176
MVA's	117
Bomb Threat	1
Gas Leak	39
Electrical	25
Extractions	29
Misc	220
EMS	854
Service	82
Total Incidents	1644

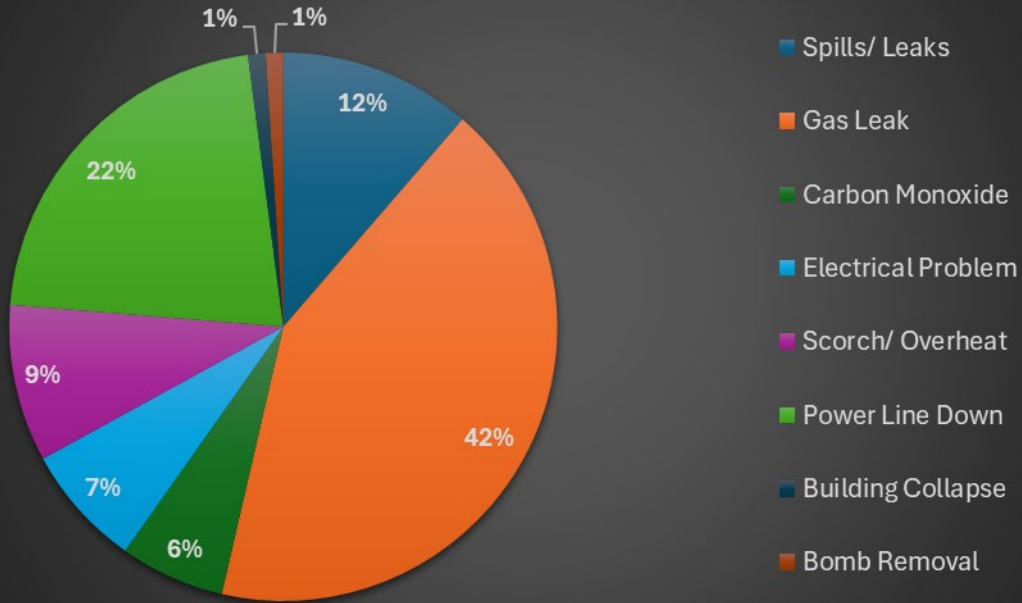
2024 Fire Analysis



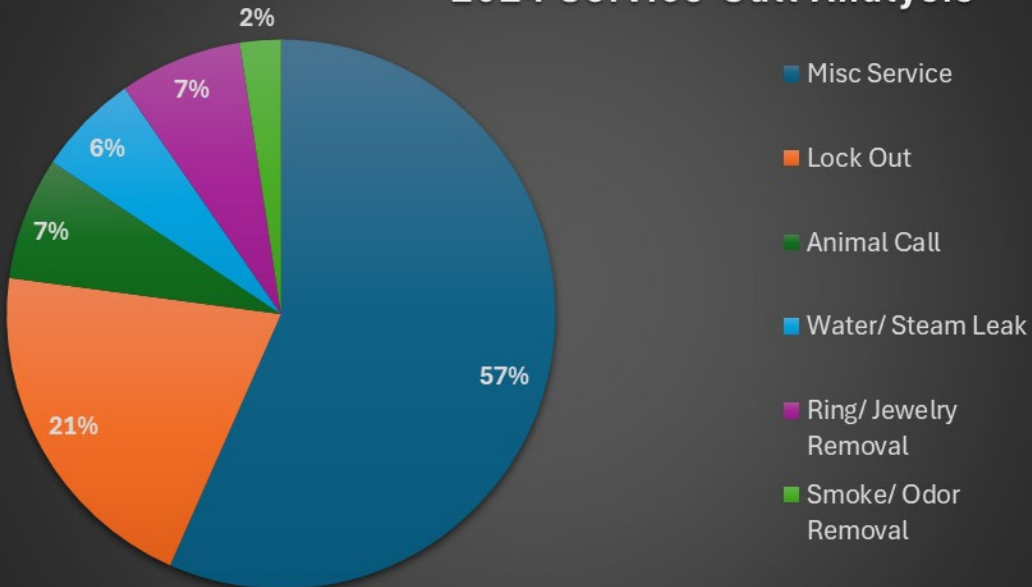
2024 EMS/ MVA Analysis



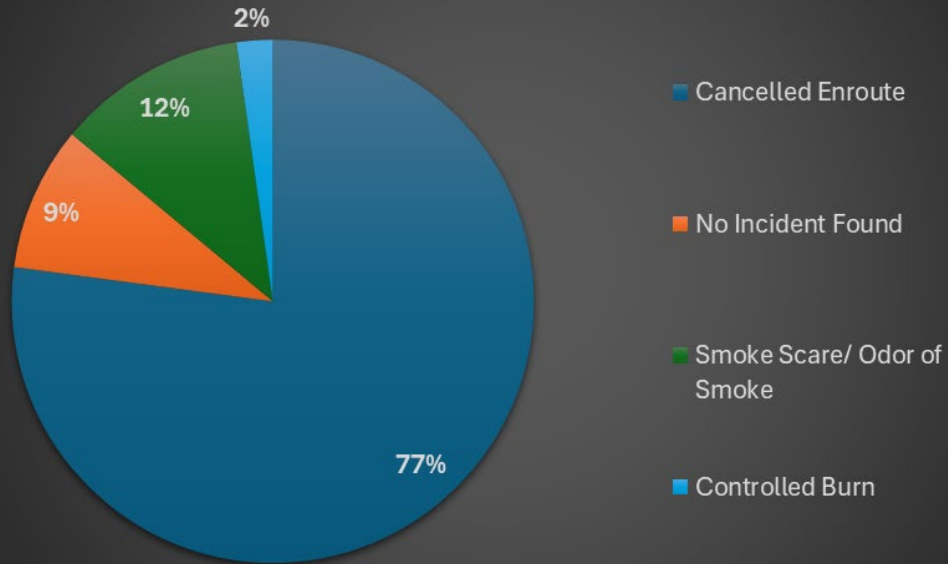
2024 HazMat-Misc



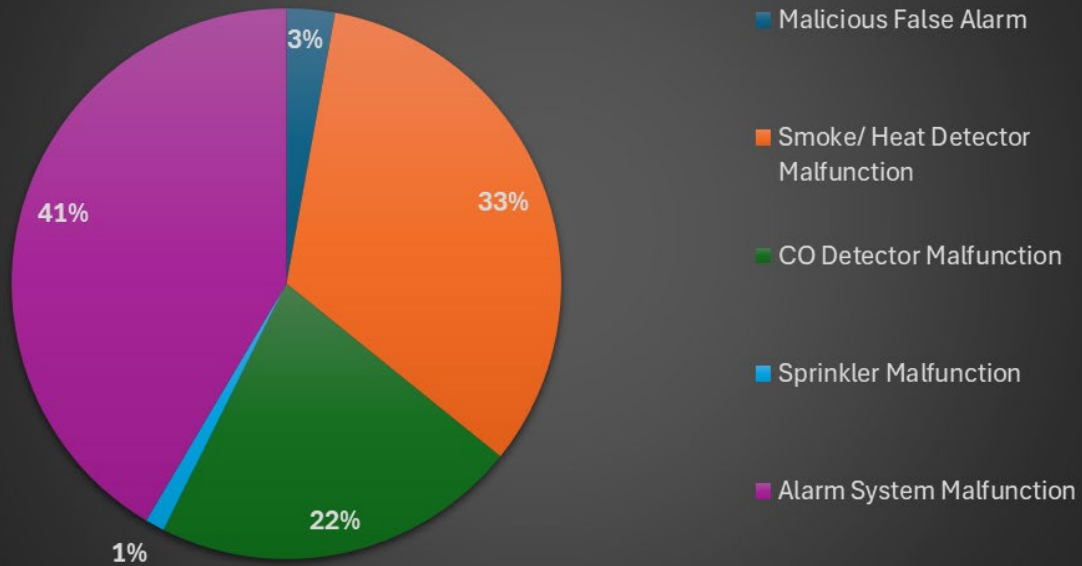
2024 Service Call Analysis



2024 Investigations- Misc



2024 False Alarm Analysis

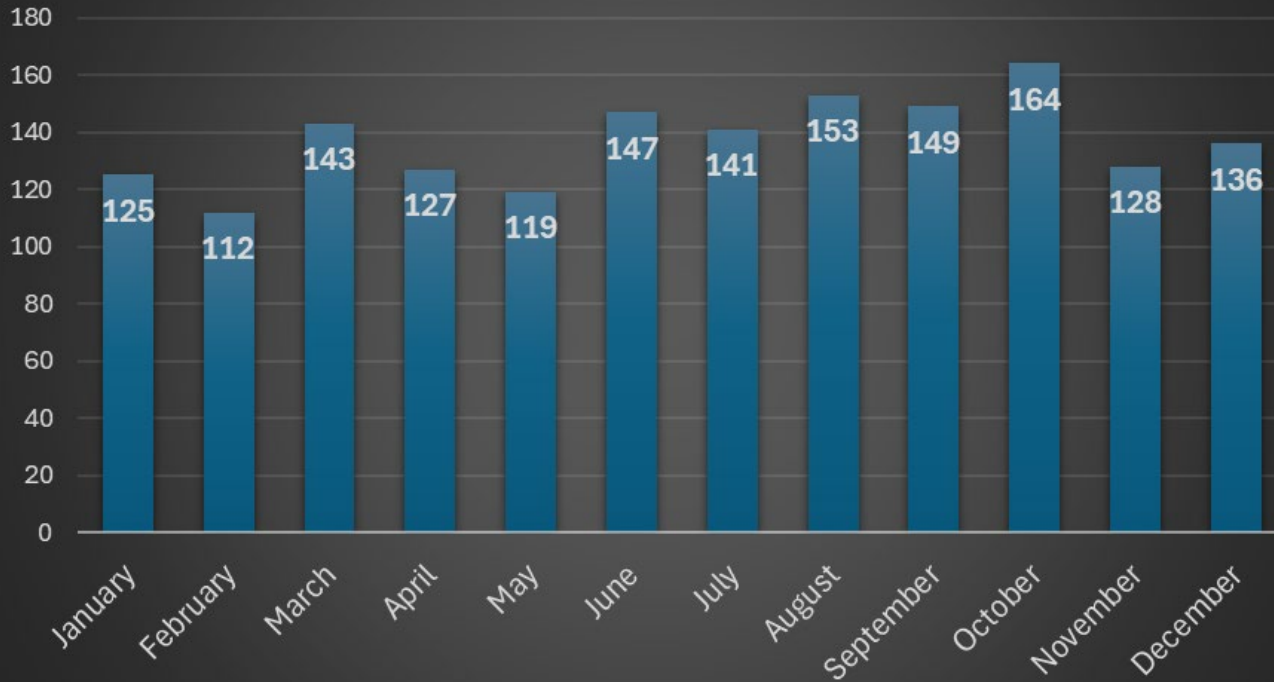


2024 Fire Loss vs. Saved



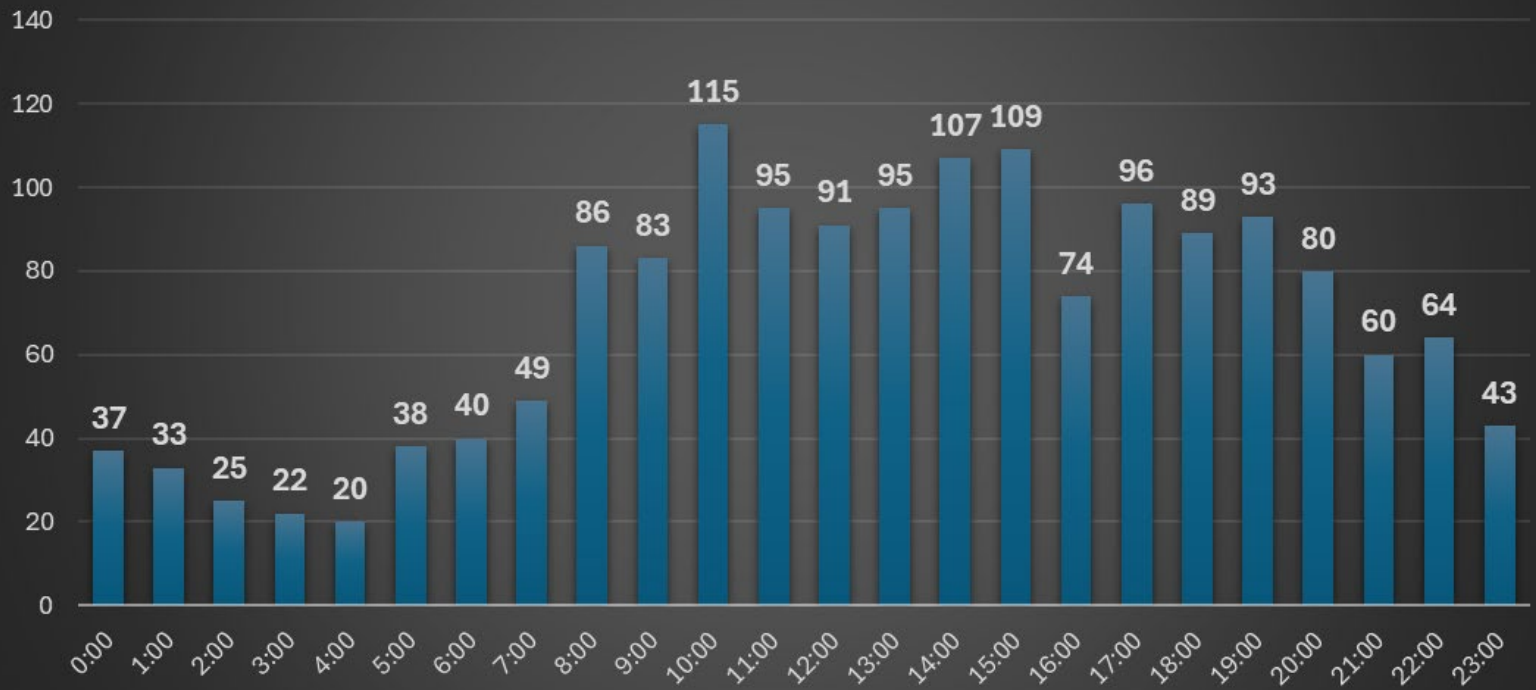
	Total Loss	Total Saved	Total Value	% Saved	% Loss
Building Fire	\$1,479,520.00	\$2,366,770.00	\$3,846,290.00	61.53%	38.47%
Cooking Fire, Confined to Container	\$11,020.00	\$534,200.00	\$545,220.00	97.98%	2.02%
Vehicle/ RV/ Semi/ Equipment Fire	\$216,100.00	\$12,400.00	\$228,500.00	5.43%	94.57%
Misc Fires	\$223,250.00	\$14,730,800.00	\$14,954,050.00	98.51%	1.49%
Total	\$1,929,890.00	\$17,644,170.00	\$19,574,060.00	65.86%	34.14%

2024 Incidents Per Month

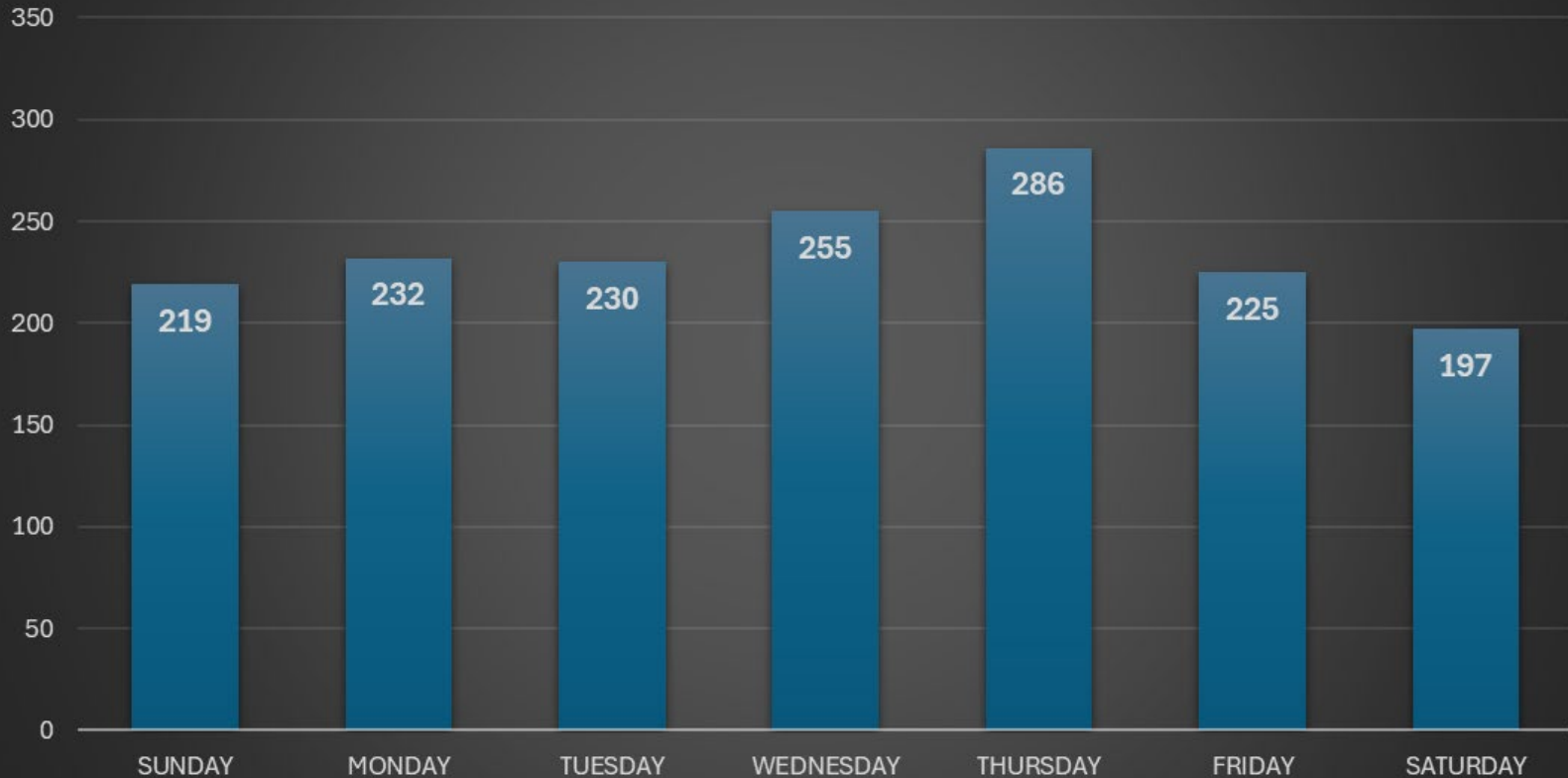


Month	Calls
January	125
February	112
March	143
April	127
May	119
June	147
July	141
August	153
September	149
October	164
November	128
December	136
	1,644

2024 Incidents Per Hour

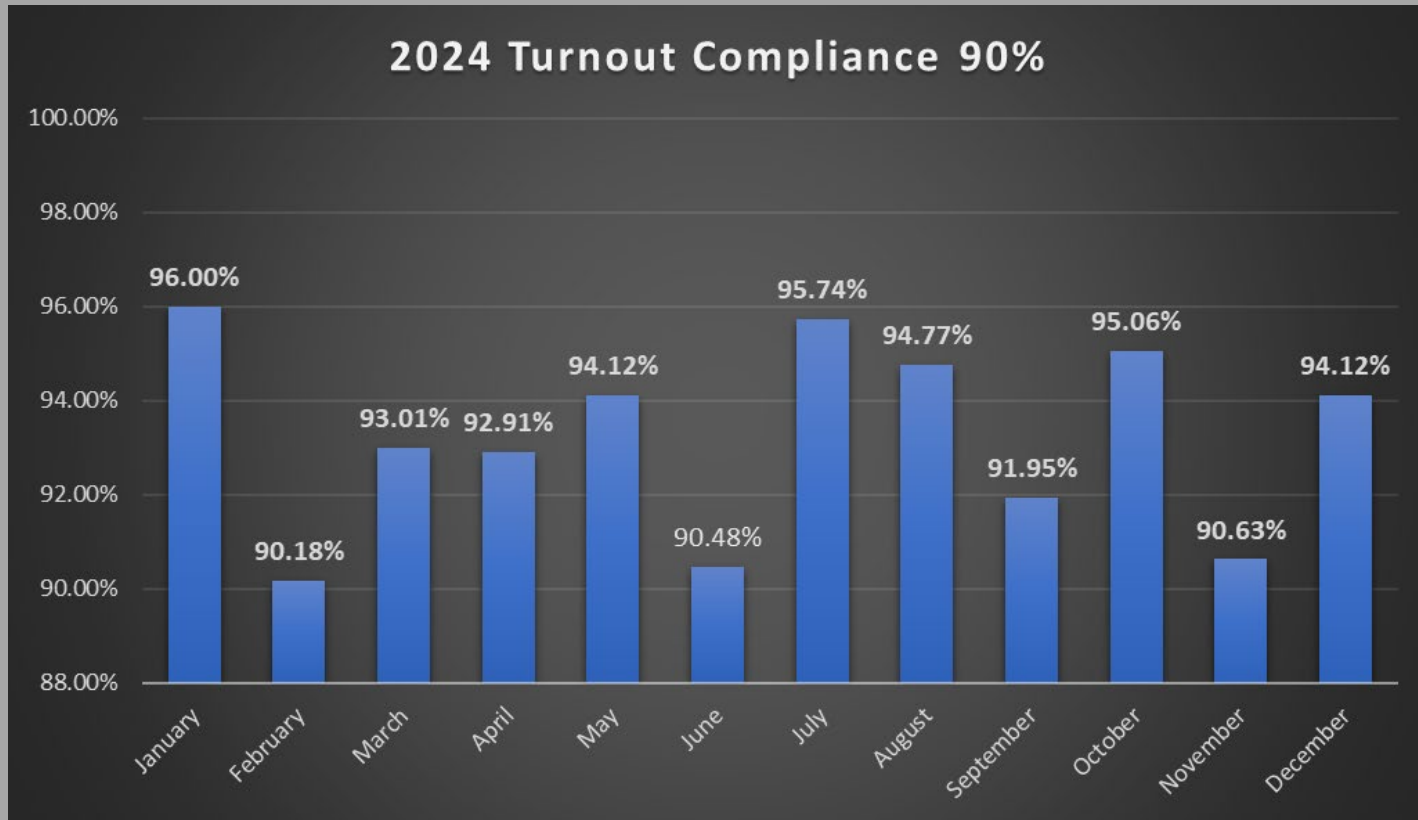


2024 Incidents Per Day



Busiest Month	Busiest Time of Day	Busiest Day of the Week
October	1000-1059	Thursday

2024 Turnout Time Compliance

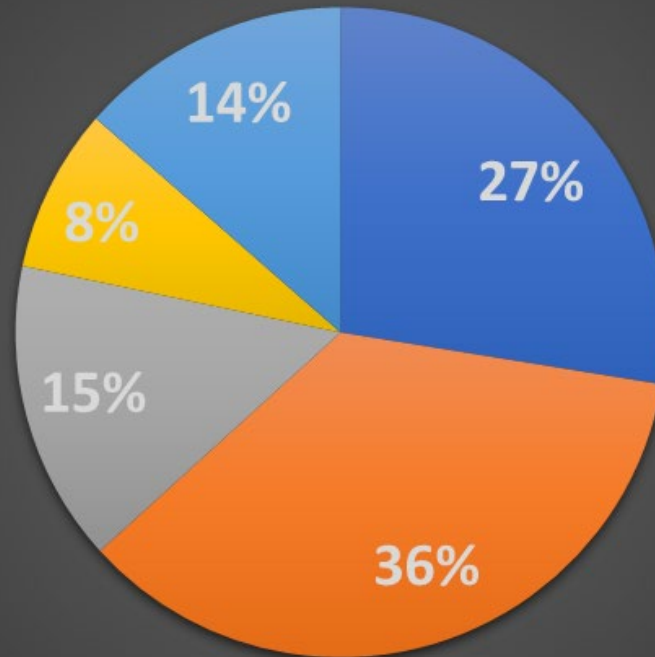


Turnout time is measured from when the alarm at the station goes off, until we are on the truck responding. It is the only time within the 911 chain that we can control. Therefore, we take it very seriously.

NFPA recommends a turnout time of 60 seconds for EMS runs, and 80 seconds for fire runs, for 90% of responses. As you can see above, we exceed the national standard.

2024 Incidents Per District

2024 Calls by District




■ Berkshire Twp ■ Sunbury ■ Trenton Twp ■ Galena ■ Out of District

2024 Incidents Per Zone

Zone	Zone Name	# Incidents	Zone	Zone Name	# Incidents
B001	Northlake Preserve	21	MA01	Out of District	223
B002	Northlake Summit Apartments	12			
B003	Fourwinds Residential Hotel	8	S001	West of 3	84
B004	Goldwell Neighborhood	5	S002	Millers Cove	4
B005	Northstar	15	S003	Sunbury Meadows West	21
B006	Hidden Creek Estates	6	S004	Sunbury Meadows East	32
B007	Meadowchase	2	S005	Big Walnut Schools	49
B008	Cheshire Woods	11	S006	Sunbury Mills- Heartland	14
B009	Falling Meadows	10	S007	Land of Furry Creatures	21
B010	Summerwood Lakes	11	S008	Creekside Village Apartments (Reed)	19
B011	Hotel District	16	S009	The Inn at Walnut Trail	50
B012	Olentangy Schools	6	S010	Prairie Run Development	27
B013	Cottages at Northlake	4	S011	McGill Street Apartments	19
B014	Sage Creek	0	S012	The Gardens	21
B015	Berkshire Roads West of Carters	92	S013	Champion Apartments	1
B016	Berkshire Roads East of Carters	61	S014	Old Sunbury	133
B017	Interstate 71- North of 37	9	S015	LC Apartments	13
B018	Interstate 71- South of 37	55	S016	Sunbury Park Apartments	13
B019	Bent Tree	3	S017	Price Ponds	13
B020	Tanger	28	S018	Rolling Hills	7
B021	37 and 71 Intersection/ Area	69	S019	Magnolia Park	0
B022	Northstar Apartments- Wilson Rd	4	S020	The Ravines at Meadow Ridge	1
B023	Camping World	0	S021	Kroger Plaza and Out Lots	23
B024	AMH Rental Homes- Wilson Rd	2	S022	Eagle Creek	0
B025	The District at Berkshire- Tanger	3	S023	Sunbury Commerce Park	0
B026	The Carlton Apartments- Tanger	0	S024	CVS Plaza	22
B027	Ivy Woods	0	S025	Kintner Crossing	0
B028	Mercedes Dealership	0		Sunbury	587
	Berkshire Township	453			
			T001	North of 3	52
G001	Retreats at Dustin	19	T002	3 and 37 Triangle	66
G002	Old Galena	53	T003	South of 37	28
G003	Melimare	0	T004	Rattlesnake	1
G004	Arrowhead Estates	24	T005	Greyland	0
G005	Blackhawk Estates	9	T006	Condit	17
G006	Galena Misc.	14	T007	Country View	82
G007	Berkshire Lake Campground	14	T008	Trenton Misc.	0
G008	Miller Farms	1	T009	Oaks at Big Walnut	0
G009	Hoover Reservoir	0	T010	Holmes Lumber	1
	Galena	134		Trenton	247


2024 Berkshire Township

Berkshire Historic by Zone							
Zone Name	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Northlake Preserve		1	4	4	9	18	21
Northlake Summit Apartments		11	28	15	13	26	12
Fourwinds Residential Hotel				5	10	10	8
Goldwell Neighborhood				1	3	6	5
Northstar	4	21	11	12	17	12	15
Hidden Creek Estates		2	3	2	2	4	6
Meadowchase	5	2		2	1		2
Cheshire Woods	12	18	11	19	15	17	11
Falling Meadows	3	4	9	11	7	14	10
Summerwood Lakes	4	5	7	5	13	6	11
Hotel District	11	17	17	29	26	36	16
Olentangy Schools	3	11	4	4	10	7	6
Cottages at Northlake			1	1			4
Sage Creek	1		1	3	1		
Berkshire Roads West of Carters	61	75	77	97	94	71	92
Berkshire Roads East of Carters	28	44	50	36	53	46	61
Interstate 71- North of 37	6	5	2	15	8	10	9
Interstate 71- South of 37	52	45	27	50	42	38	55
Bent Tree	1	5	1	2		5	3
Tanger	10	11	7	14	22	17	28
37 and 71 Intersection/ Area	91	82	52	55	83	75	69
Northstar Apartments- Wilson Rd						1	4
Camping World						1	
AMH Rental Homes- Wilson Rd							2
The District at Berkshire- Tanger							3
The Carlton Apartments- Tanger							
Ivy Woods							
Mercedes Dealership							
	292	359	312	382	429	420	453
% Change from Previous Year		22.95%	-13.09%	22.44%	12.30%	-2.10%	7.86%
% Change over 5 Years			XXX				45.19%

2024 City of Sunbury

Sunbury Historic by Zone								
Zone	Zone Name	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
S001	West of 3	92	85	92	96	81	104	84
S002	Millers Cove				1		3	4
S003	Sunbury Meadows West	11	14	15	20	12	13	21
S004	Sunbury Meadows East	8	14	25	28	31	46	32
S005	Big Walnut Schools	17	25	20	28	39	32	49
S006	Sunbury Mills- Heartland	8	14	21	11	16	18	14
S007	Land of Furry Creatures	14	16	19	18	21	19	21
S008	Creekside Village Apartments (Reed)	11	23	7	16	23	17	19
S009	The Inn at Walnut Trail		8	10	19	58	39	50
S010	Prairie Run Development	12	15	26	12	13	16	27
S011	McGill Street Apartments	8	16	15	7	31	18	19
S012	The Gardens	19	36	30	15	24	37	21
S013	Champion Apartments	5	1	3	2	4	5	1
S014	Old Sunbury	150	161	141	155	177	215	133
S015	LC Apartments	10	8	12	20	9	14	13
S016	Sunbury Park Apartments	6	9	15	10	9	5	13
S017	Price Ponds					1	3	13
S018	Rolling Hills						8	7
S019	Magnolia Park							
S020	The Ravines at Meadow Ridge							1
S021	Kroger Plaza and Out Lots							23
S022	Eagle Creek							
S023	Sunbury Commerce Park							
S024	CVS Plaza							22
S025	Kintner Crossing							
		371	445	451	458	549	612	587
	% Change from Previous Year		19.95%	1.35%	1.55%	19.87%	11.48%	-4.08%
	% Change over 5 Years			XXX	→			30.16%

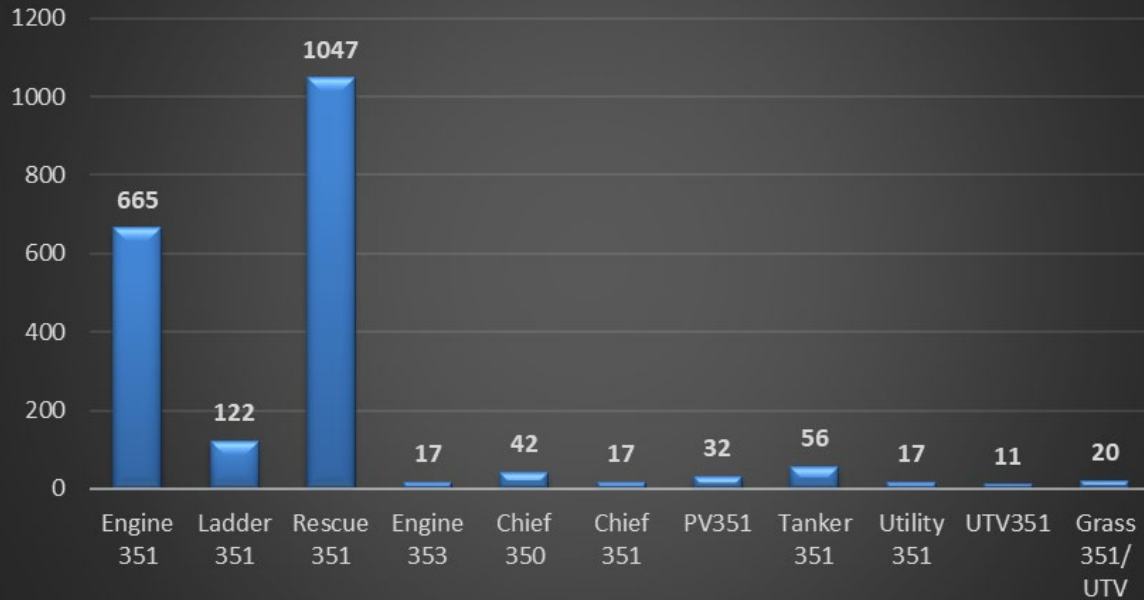
2024 Trenton Township

Trenton Historic by Zone								
Zone	Zone Name	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
T001	North of 3	33	34	25	29	34	41	52
T002	3 and 37 Triangle	42	66	59	56	60	56	66
T003	South of 37	23	28	22	15	30	36	28
T004	Rattlesnake	1	4	4	1	5	2	1
T005	Greyland		1	2	1			
T006	Condit	31	29	25	17	22	32	17
T007	Country View	27	47	47	51	81	75	82
T008	Trenton Misc.	2		5	1			
T009	Oaks at Big Walnut							
T010	Holmes Lumber							1
		159	209	189	171	232	242	247
	% Change from Previous Year		31.45%	-9.57%	-9.52%	35.67%	4.31%	2.07%
	% Change over 5 Years			XXX				30.69%

2024 Village of Galena

Galena Historic by Zone								
Zone	Zone Name	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
G001	Retreats at Dustin		1		5	18	23	19
G002	Old Galena	29	24	24	40	27	34	53
G003	Melimare	1		1		3		
G004	Arrowhead Estates	8	8	9	18	18	35	24
G005	Blackhawk Estates	5	6	1	6	5	4	9
G006	Galena Misc.	21	12	12	10	12	17	14
G007	Berkshire Lake Campground							14
G008	Miller Farms							1
G009	Hoover Reservoir							
		64	51	47	79	83	113	134
	% Change from Previous Year		-20.31%	-7.84%	68.09%	5.06%	36.14%	18.58%
	% Change over 5 Years			XXX	—————→			185.11%

2024 Vehicle Response- 2,046



Vehicle Response Totals

Engine 351	665
Ladder 351	122
Rescue 351	1047
Engine 353	17
Chief 350	42
Chief 351	17
PV351	32
Tanker 351	56
Utility 351	17
UTV351	11
Grass 351/UTV	20
Total	2046

2025 ESTIMATED CENSUS

District	2010	2025	% Change
Berkshire Township	3,094	8,711	181.54%
City of Sunbury	4,441	9,052	103.83%
Trenton Township	2,197	2,453	11.65%
Village of Galena	653	1,630	149.62%
Totals	10,385	21,846	110.36%

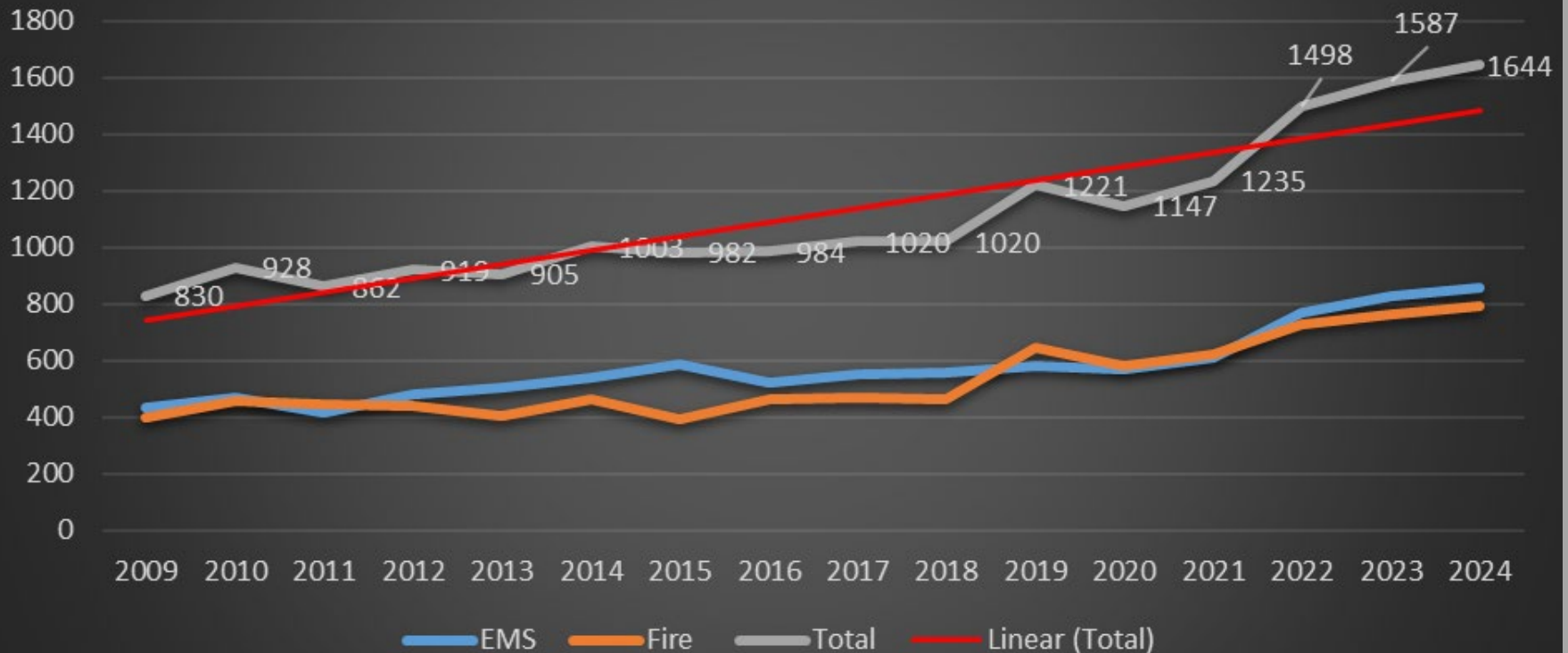
Growth in the Fire District continues to be one of our biggest challenges. This information was obtained from the Delaware County Regional Planning Commission and the US Census and allows us to track how the departments' needs change with the population.

Community	Population	%
Berkshire Township	8,711	39.87%
City of Sunbury	9,052	41.44%
Trenton Township	2,453	11.23%
Village of Galena	1,630	7.46%
Totals	21,846	100.00%

TRENDING STATISTICS

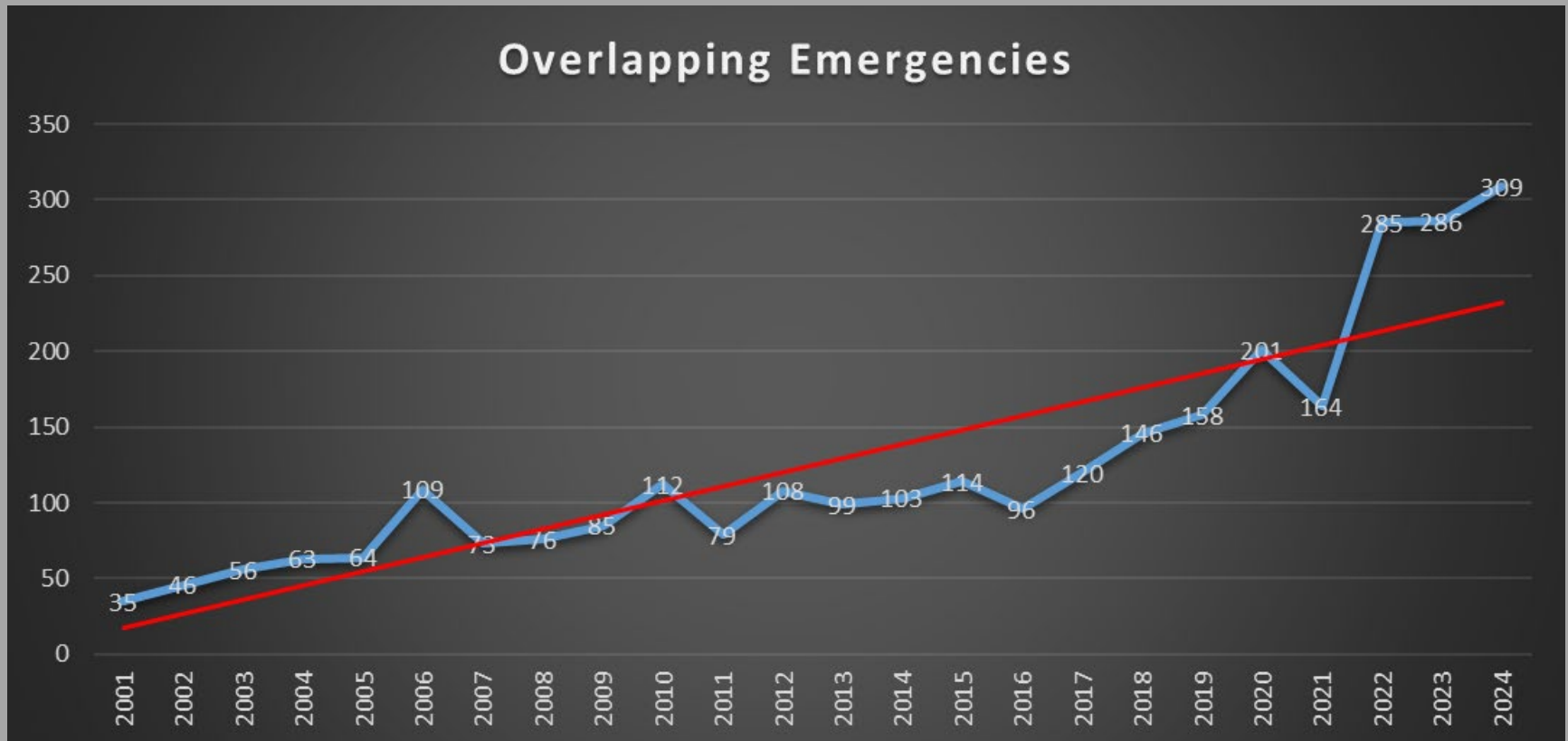
BST&G has started to compile trending statistics dating as far back as 2002. This analysis will help us prepare for the future, so we can better serve the residents and businesses of the communities. The next few pages represent some of that data.

Historic Call Volume



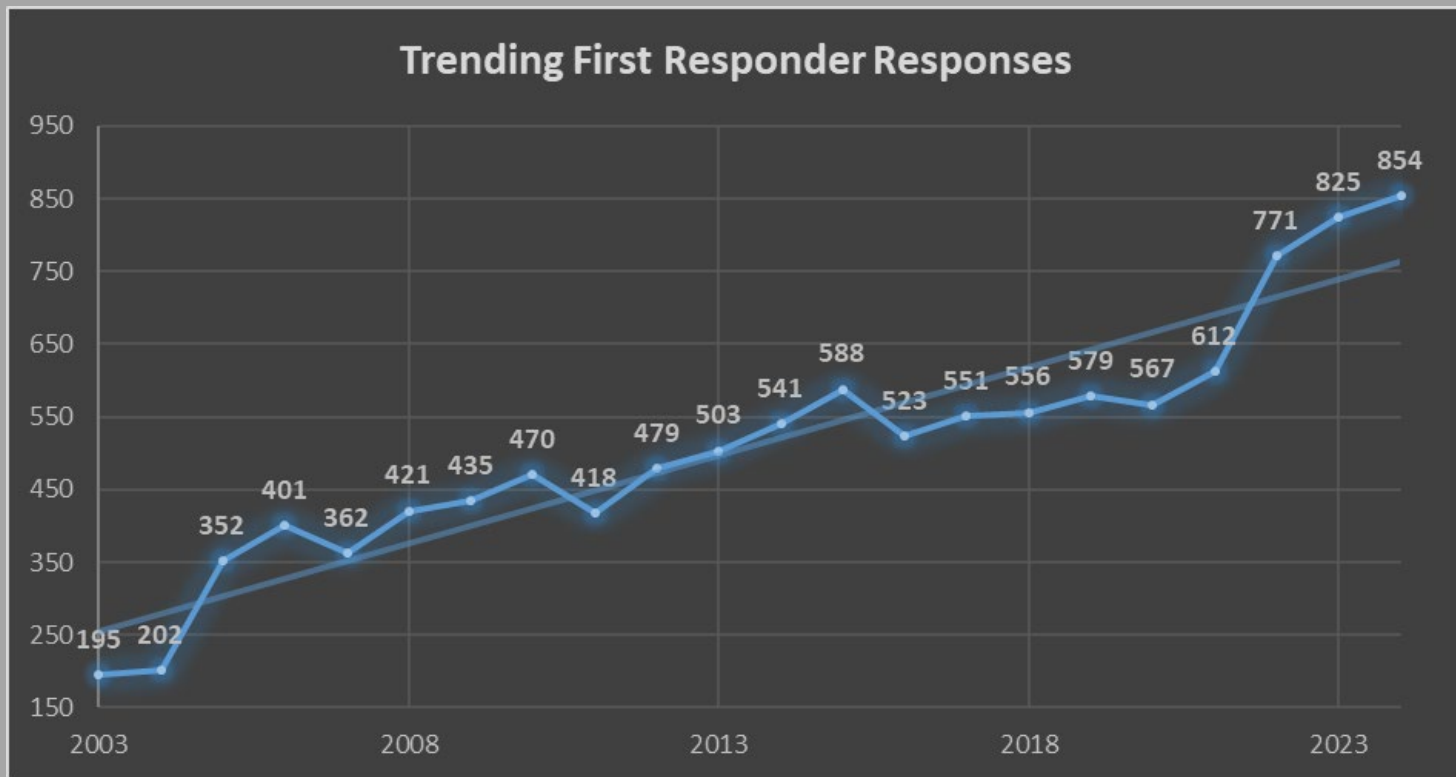
HISTORICAL OVERLAPPING CALLS

Overlapping calls occur when we are currently on an emergency call, but another request for service occurs. Typically, we would need a mutual aid department to assist us in handling the overlapping call. As the community grows, so does the need for our services.



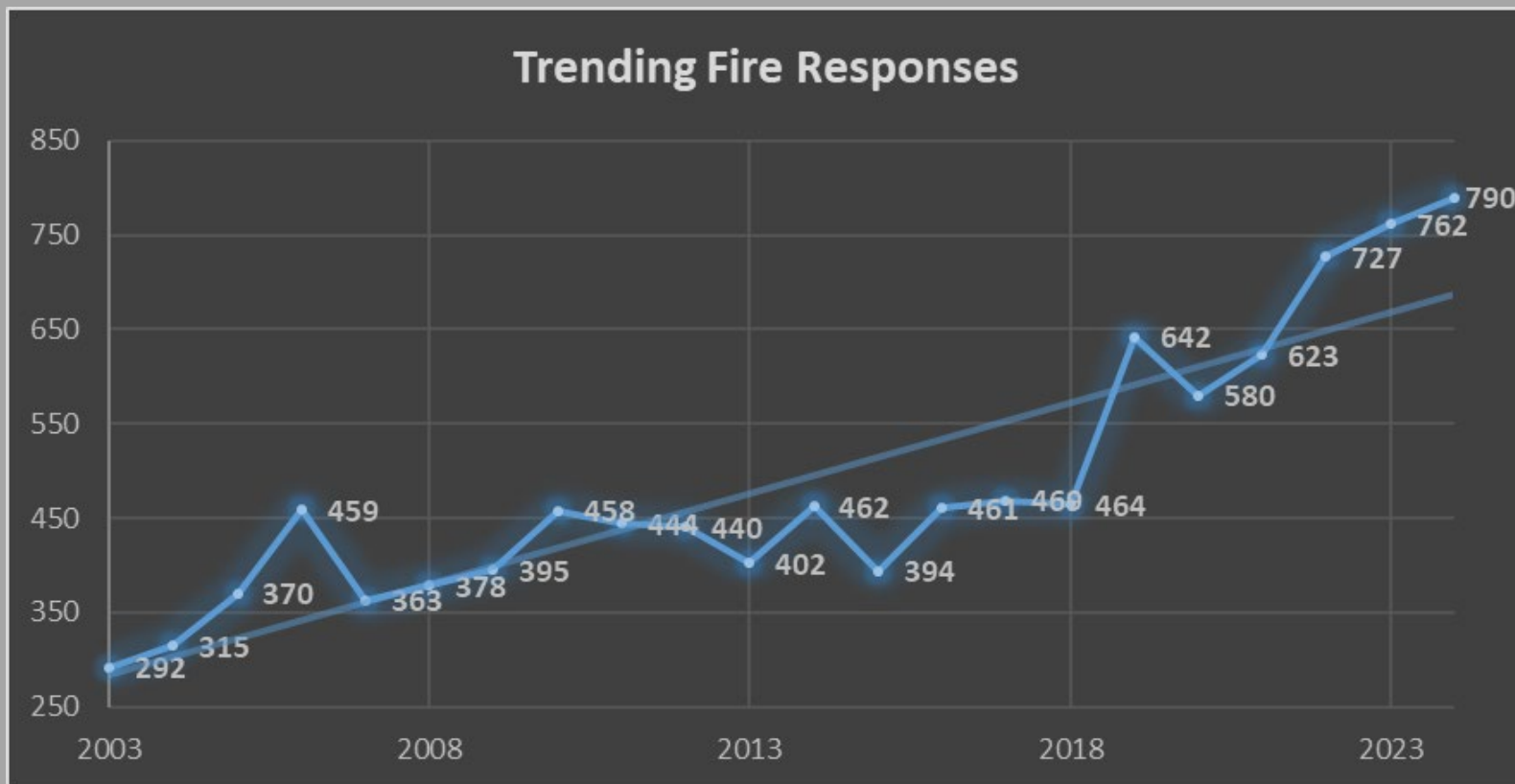
HISTORICAL EMS CALLS

While BST&G does not operate a transport ambulance, all of our firefighters are trained in Emergency Medicine at least to the EMT-Basic level. We also have six trained paramedics on staff that allow us a higher level of patient care on the days they are working. The Fire District currently responds on all Advanced Life Support level EMS calls jointly with Delaware County EMS Medics 2 and 11, which are housed at DCEMS Station 2.



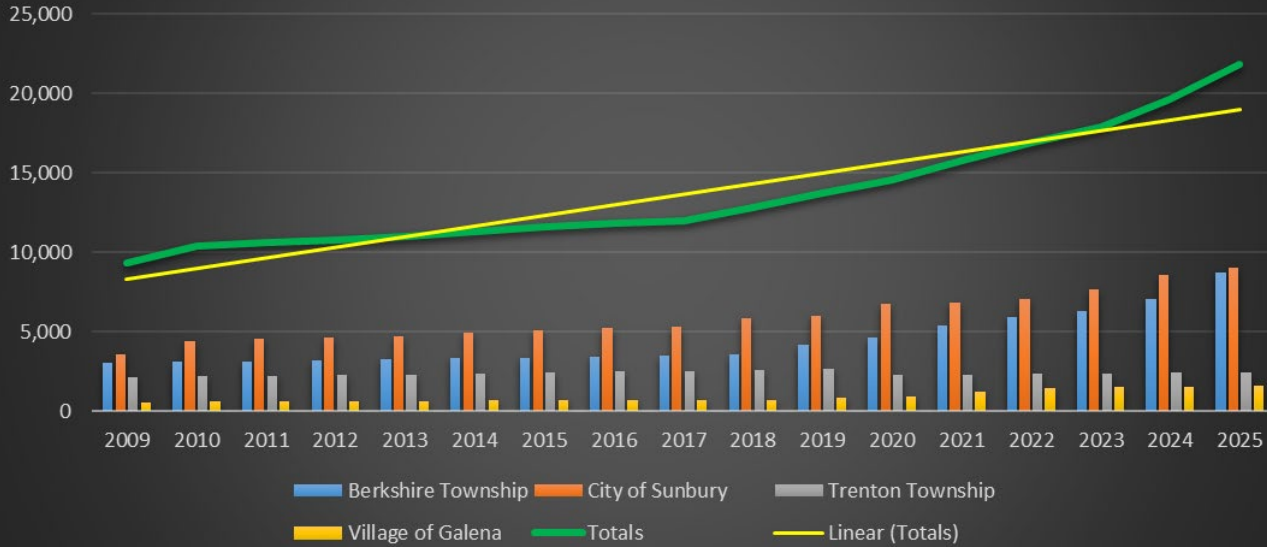
HISTORICAL FIRE CALLS

Fire calls include, but are not limited to:
Structure Fires, Vehicle Fires, Barn Fires, Trash Fires, Open Burning,
Fire Alarms, Motor Vehicle Accidents,
Odors of Smoke, Carbon Monoxide Alarms, Rope Rescue, Water Rescue,
and Electrical Emergencies

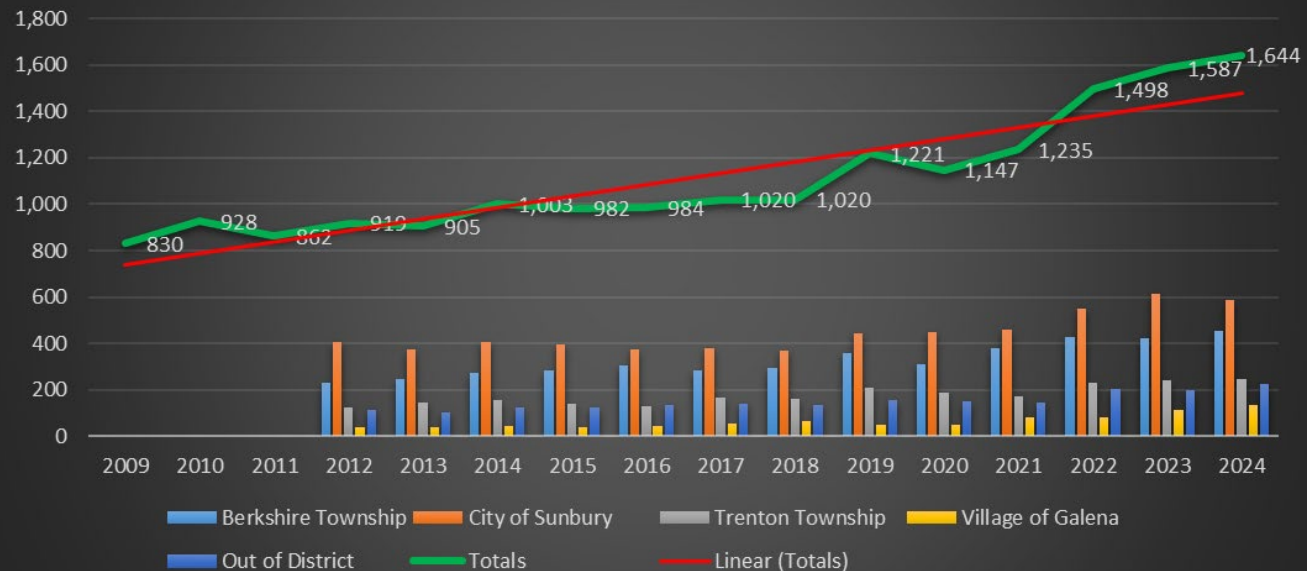


HISTORIC POPULATION VS CALL VOLUME

Trending Population Increase

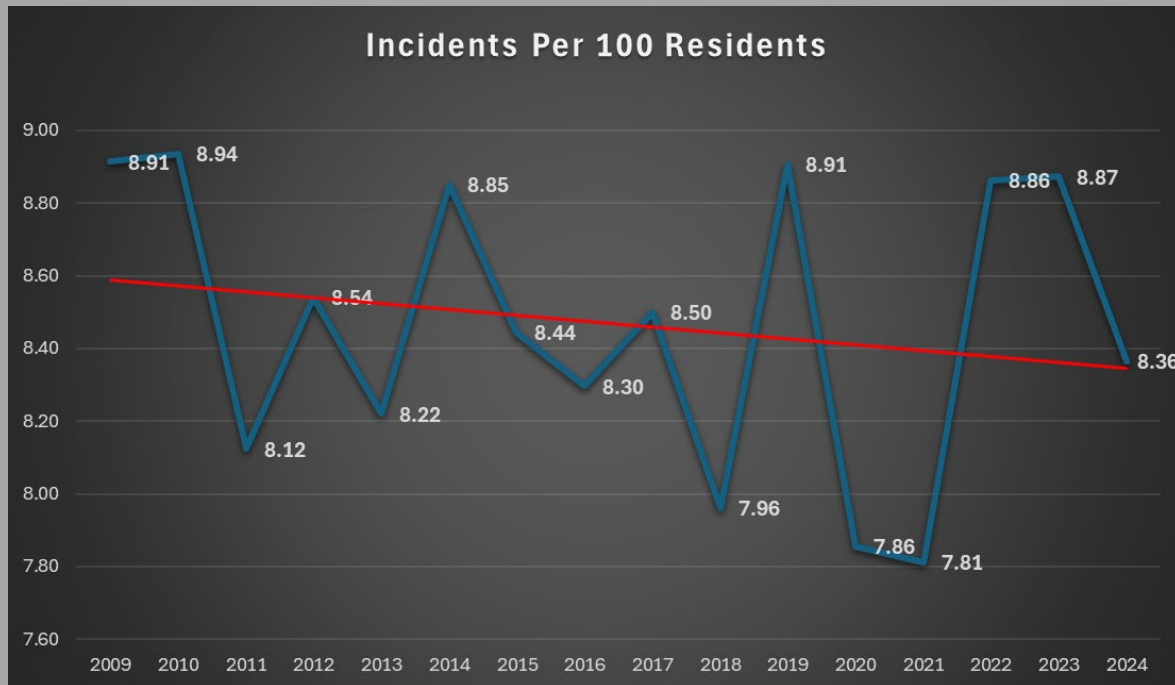


Trending Call Volume



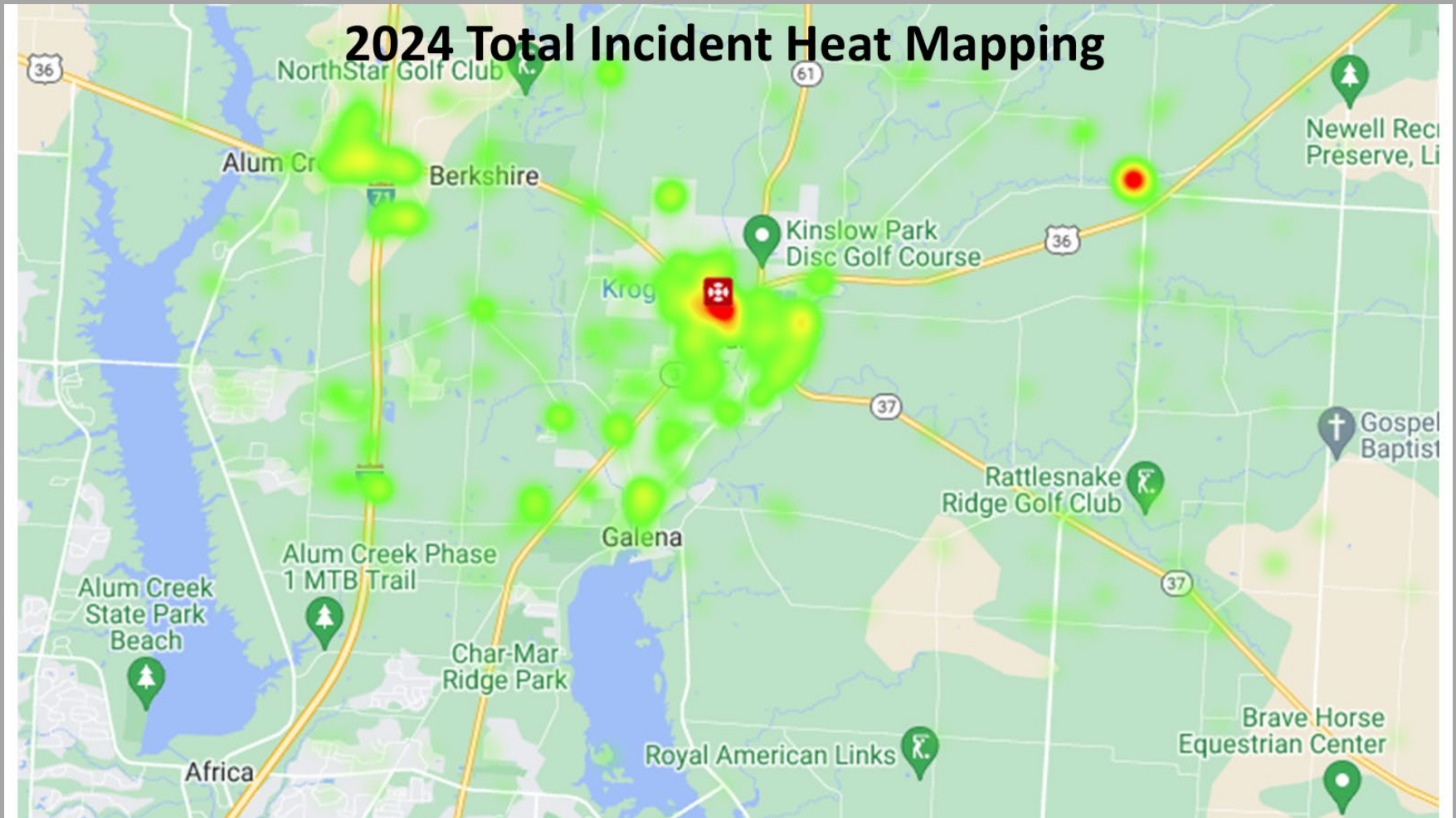
POPULATION VS. CALLS- PER CAPITA

Year	Population	Incidents	Incidents Per 100
2009	9,311	830	8.91
2010	10,385	928	8.94
2011	10,611	862	8.12
2012	10,760	919	8.54
2013	11,010	905	8.22
2014	11,331	1,003	8.85
2015	11,629	982	8.44
2016	11,861	984	8.30
2017	12,000	1,020	8.50
2018	12,812	1,020	7.96
2019	13,709	1,221	8.91
2020	14,599	1,147	7.86
2021	15,808	1,235	7.81
2022	16,904	1,498	8.86
2023	17,886	1,587	8.87
2024	19,655	1,644	8.36
AVG			8.47



HEAT MAPPING

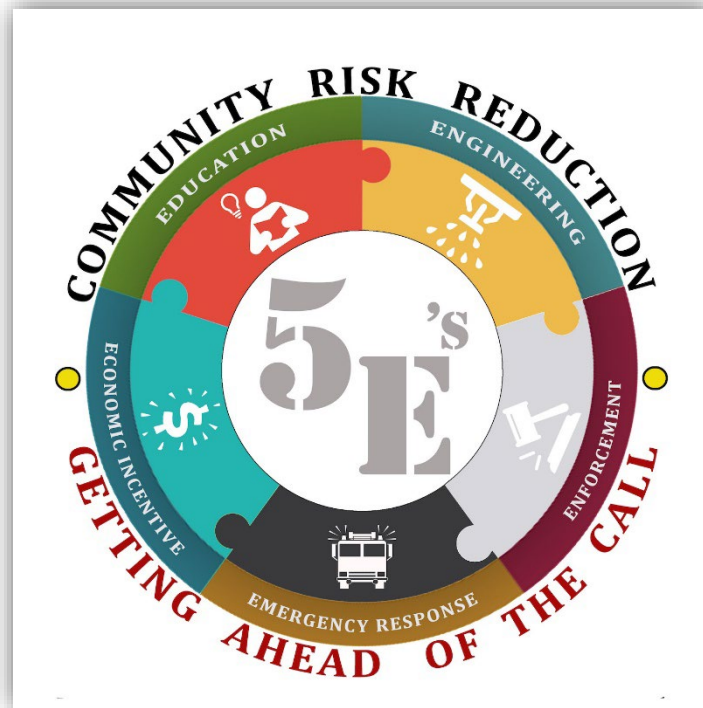
Heat Mapping gives us visual confirmation of our busiest areas in the fire district. The data collected over the next few years will provide us with critical information regarding how to better serve the area, as well as identify any high-risk areas. Below is the heat mapping data for all calls in 2024.



2024 COMMUNITY RISK REDUCTION BUREAU & FIRE INVESTIGATION UNIT



Rocki Huddleston
Fire Safety Inspector / Investigator
Date of hire: August 3, 2020



Jason Whipple
Fire Safety Inspector / Investigator
Date of hire: January 1, 2023

Qty	Permit Type
1	Automatic Extinguishing
1	Commercial Cooking Hood
2	Construction Trailer
19	Fire Alarm
2	Fireworks
67	New Construction / Alteration Permit
1	Operational Permit
7	Sprinkler Systems
4	Tent Membrane Structures
104	

2024 Invoices

\$5,328.79 Outstanding
 \$85,519.08 Invoice Revenue

Qty	Inspection Type
7	Adoption/Foster Inspection
212	Annual
2	Automatic Extinguishing Systems
2	Commercial Cooking Hood Acceptance
17	Complaint
12	Construction / Plan Review Meeting
2	Construction Trailers
1	Emergency Responder Radio Coverage
1	Evacuation Drills
46	Fire & Life Safety Final
12	Fire Alarm Systems Test / Acceptance
2	Fireworks Application / Exhibit
63	Knox Box Inspection / Key Maintenance
38	Mobile Food Trucks
144	Plan Review for New / Existing Construction
273	Reinspection
15	Smoke Control & Smoke Evacuation Systems
54	Sprinkler Systems Acceptance / Test
7	Tent Membrane Inspection
131	Underground Fire Line Inspection
1041	Total Inspections for 2024



#	Statistics
33	Child Safety Seat Installs / Inspections
15	Fires Investigated by Fire Investigation Unit
1	Youth Fire Setter Education
46	Public Relation Events
24 (provided education for more than 3000 individuals)	<u>Community Outreach Education Classes:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Fire Prevention for Healthcare Workers - Fire Extinguisher Training - CPR / AED / First Aid
108	Bicycle Helmets Distributed through a grant received from Put A Lid On It

2024 TRAINING REPORT



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BST&G Firefighters logged over 5,000 hours of fire training, EMS continuing education, and physical fitness training throughout 2024. Employees added knowledge and skills through this training to better themselves as Firefighters and EMT'S, while ensuring the citizens were protected at the highest level. Members improved physical fitness levels create a level of confidence amongst each other, to properly take care of themselves and others.

All members were able to recertify their current levels while adding new certifications to the district's resume throughout the year. Mentionable training / events for the year are listed below.

- New Hire Orientation
- Rescue Technician Course- Grant Funded Training
- EMS (CPR, Medic Refresher, Continuing Education)
- Auto Extrication
- Hazardous Materials Courses
- Aerial Truck Operations
- Fire Officer Development Courses
- NIMS (National Incident Management System)
- Live Fire Training
- Per Plans
- Ice Rescue
- EQ and Leadership Training
- FDIC- Seminar
- Car Seat Technician Classes
- Fire Safety and Prevention Classes



Lt. Kyle Stelzer
Department Training Officer

Your BST&G Fire District is not only well equipped but well trained. BST&G takes pride in being the best when the call for service goes out.



2024 VEHICLE FLEET REPORT

2024 APPARATUS REPAIRS/ NEW APPARATUS

2024 Repairs Include the Following:

- Preventative Maintenance
 - Wiper Blades
 - Oil Changes
 - Tire Rotations
 - Misc. Fluids
 - Lights/ Light Bulbs
- Annual Safety Inspections
- Annual Pump Testing



Lt. Ian Barney,
Fleet Manager

2024 APPARATUS MILEAGE/ HOURS

2024 Vehicle Miles			
Unit	Start of 2024	End of 2024	Total Miles
E351	39,662.7	47,161.1	7,498.4
E352	62,218.1	62,970.5	752.4
L351	17,378.6	18,874.4	1,495.8
T351	9,764.1	10,477.5	713.4
ATV351	248.8	311.0	62.2
G351	36,095.8	36,394.8	299.0
CH350	35,327.0	39,403.0	4,076.0
PV351	28,643.0	38,447.0	9,804.0
PV352	96,695.0	98,831.0	2,136.0
R351	2,409.9	10,314.6	7,904.7
Total			34,741.9
2024 Vehicle Hours			
Unit	Start of 2024	End of 2024	Total Hours
E351	2,411.6	2,881.3	469.7
E352	4,483.3	4,547.5	64.2
L351	1,699.9	1,863.7	163.8
T351	1,108.0	1,162.6	54.6
R351	127.0	616.0	489.0
ATV351	83.9	101.9	18.0
Total			1,241.3

2024 APPARATUS FUEL USAGE

Vehicle	Total Gallons	Avg/Gal	2024 Cost
E351	1,842.5	\$3.46	\$6,375.05
E352	117.3	\$3.46	\$405.86
L351	564.1	\$3.46	\$1,951.79
T351	158.8	\$3.46	\$549.45
G351	165.4	\$3.46	\$572.28
CH350	350.3	\$3.26	\$1,135.19
PV351	395.7	\$3.33	\$1,349.26
PV352	134.9	\$3.46	\$466.75
R351	1,935.1	\$3.46	\$6,695.45
	5,664.0	\$3.42	\$19,501.08

In 2024, the Fire District consumed 607.03 gallons less than in 2023.
This resulted in a budget decrease of \$2,076.04

APPARATUS MILEAGE- 5 YEAR HISTORIC

Unit	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	AVG
E351	8,252.2	12,330.0	8,366.4	7,403.3	7,498.4	8,770.1
E352	1,367.0	3,595.0	1,825.6	1,742.5	752.4	1,856.5
L351	2,336.1	8,220.0	1,923.6	1,947.6	1,495.8	3,184.6
T351	475.6	906.0	1,069.5	768.6	713.4	786.6
ATV351				31.1	62.2	46.7
G351	267.0	584.0	647.9	250.9	299.0	409.8
CH350	5,985.0	5,171.0	7,166.0	6,146.0	4,076.0	5,708.8
PV351	6,058.0	4,195.0	3,527.0	4,386.0	9,804.0	5,594.0
PV352	4,766.0	4,527.0	3,196.0	4,386.0	2,136.0	3,802.2
R351	5,394.8	11,416.0	6,550.1	6,355.2	7,904.7	7,524.2
Total	34,901.7	50,944.0	34,272.1	33,417.2	34,741.9	