

# MARLOW VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT – Proudly serving residents in a 65-square mile area of Anderson County, TN

The Marlow Volunteer Fire Department is excited to present our annual report to the community. We hope that it provides residents in our service area an overview of the department's highlights from the previous year, as well as some insight into the future.

## Support Your Department

We extend our deepest gratitude to the dedicated members of our community who generously contribute to the Marlow Volunteer Fire Department. Your ongoing support is the cornerstone of our ability to serve and protect our neighbors.

As a vital community pillar, the Marlow Volunteer Fire Department relies on the generous support of individuals like you to fulfill our mission of protecting lives and property. Every day, our dedicated volunteers stand ready to respond to emergencies, providing critical assistance when our neighbors need it most.

Sustaining our operations and ensuring our volunteers have the necessary resources come at a cost. That's where your support becomes invaluable. Your financial contributions directly enable us to maintain our stations, upgrade equipment, and provide essential training to our volunteers.

**We request that each household and business in our service area donate at least \$150 annually. If you break that down into monthly payments, that is only \$12.50. All contributions are tax-deductible.** If you are not able to contribute this amount, any monetary amount makes an impact.

With your help, we can continue to enhance our emergency response capabilities, safeguarding our community against fire, accidents, and other life-threatening situations. Your donation, no matter the amount, makes a tangible difference in our support today. **Visit [www.marlowfire.org/donate](http://www.marlowfire.org/donate) to learn ways you can contribute.**

## 2023 Response Totals

In 2023 we received a total of 749 calls for assistance, which was a slight decrease compared to the 804 calls received in 2022.

441 Emergency Medical Calls	5 Other Fires
53 Motor Vehicle Crashes	68 Lift Assists
11 Structure Fires	83 Service Calls
7 Vehicle Fires	48 Calls for Mutual Aid
33 Brush Fires	

## Major Projects-Opportunities

### Third Station

As you may recall, we've been eagerly working towards our vision of establishing a third station in the area of Sulphur Springs Rd and Black Oak Rd. This initiative aims to enhance emergency response times and ultimately improve safety for everyone in our community.

We're incredibly grateful for the generous donation of property in the 800 block of Sulphur Springs Rd, which was a significant step towards realizing this vision. However, after careful examination, it has become apparent that the donated land may not be suitable for constructing the new station due to size limitations.

But here's where you can help! We're reaching out in search of alternative options for land in the vicinity that could accommodate the construction of our third fire station. If you or anyone you know owns land in the area and would be willing to consider donating or selling it for this vital community project, we would love to hear from you.

### Fire Truck Out of Service

We're facing a critical situation as one of our primary pumpers suffered an engine failure this year, leaving us without the truck as it had to be taken out of service. With only two tanker/pumpers operational, we are more limited in some of the operational abilities than we would like to be. Repair options for the 17-year-old truck (which is beyond the normal service life of a fire truck) appear to be costly, high-risk, and not feasible. We're actively seeking solutions to secure another pumper, including obtaining a new one estimated at \$500,000-\$600,000; however, our current budget and income levels are not sufficient to purchase one outright or finance it at \$45,000/year for 15 years. All options are being studied. During this period, we are especially grateful for mutual aid provided by neighboring departments when needed.

## Smoke Detectors

Our goal is to ensure that every home is equipped with working smoke detectors to help protect families like yours.

Reach out today to request your free smoke detectors! Our team will not only provide the detectors but also install them in your home for added convenience. Plus, if your current smoke detectors are older than 10 years, it's time to replace them to ensure they're functioning properly. Having working smoke detectors and a fire escape plan are essential steps in safeguarding your loved ones and your home.

## Website – [www.marlowfire.org](http://www.marlowfire.org)

Our website, [marlowfire.org](http://marlowfire.org), is your go-to destination for staying informed about the department and its activities. We are dedicated to enhancing this platform to ensure it remains a valuable resource for everyone we serve. Here's what you can find on our website: information about the department, upcoming events and activities, ways to donate and support our mission, MVFD merchandise, and other valuable resources and links. Bookmark and visit regularly to stay updated on the latest news, events, and opportunities to get involved. We also have active Facebook and Instagram pages.

## Volunteers Needed

Are you passionate about making a difference in your community? The MVFD is looking for individuals like you to join our team! Whether you're interested in firefighting, Emergency Medical Services (EMS), or providing general support, there's a place for you with Marlow. No previous experience or training is required – we'll provide all the necessary training and support to help you succeed.

As a volunteer, you'll have the opportunity to serve your neighbors in times of need, gain valuable skills, and make lifelong friendships. Plus, volunteering with MVFD is a rewarding experience that allows you to give back to your community in a meaningful way.

If you're ready to take the first step towards becoming a volunteer, visit our website to fill out a membership application. You can also stop by the Marlow station on Oliver Springs Hwy on Monday evenings to learn more and meet our team.

and information about the department.

**1979 – 2024 45 Years of Service**

Anderson County Volunteer Fire  
NON-PROFIT ORG  
Department – Marlow Unit 865-435-1050  
Postage Paid  
1019 Oliver Springs Highway  
Permit # 27  
Clinton, TN 37716  
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**RURAL  
BOXHOLDER**

**Marlow Volunteer Fire Department  
Financial Statement  
April 1, 2023 — March 31, 2024**

**INCOME**

Resident Contributions	\$62,110.97
Anderson County	\$77,500.00*
Fundraising Activities	\$17,515.43
Grants	\$15,830.00
Interest	\$1,613.50
Miscellaneous	\$10,765.00*

**TOTAL INCOME**

**\$185,334.90**

**EXPENSES**

**Building & Grounds**

Maintenance	\$2,057.74
Electricity, Natural Gas, and Water	\$6,169.88
Telephone/Internet	\$1,991.69

**Operations**

Firefighting/EMS Equipment	\$34,082.59
Grant Funds – Firefighting Equipment	\$15,830.00
Vehicle Repairs and Maintenance	\$15,178.43
Vehicle Fuel	\$5,536.89
Training	\$1,433.23
Community Relations	\$2,289.41

**Insurance**

Vehicle and Property	\$18,495.00
Worker's Compensation	\$1,035.66

**Clerical**

Office Supplies	\$1,264.80
Postage	\$580.52

**Miscellaneous**

Recruitment & Retention	\$3,726.76
Fundraising	\$4,152.79
Fees and Dues	\$231.46

**TOTAL EXPENSES \$114,056.85**

Capital Reserve – Station 3 \$67,000.00

**\$181,056.85**

#Included a one-time County grant of \$50,000.

\*Miscellaneous income experienced an increase due to the