

2022 ANNUAL REPORT

Proudly Serving Since 1955



Serving Approximately
23,781 Residents (2021 Population)
Within A 5.62 Square Mile Area





A Message From Fire Chief **PETER SUTTER**



I am honored to present the 2022 Annual Report of critical services provided by the Rolling Meadows Fire Department. This Annual Report chronicles the events and activities of the past year; the outstanding services provided are made possible by the dedication and commitment of the men and women of this Department. I am proud of their capabilities, their determination, and compassion for the citizens we serve; and for the continued support that we, as a Department receive from our Mayor, Council Members, and Board of Fire and Police Commissioners.

After the challenging year we faced in 2021, 2022 was testament to our ability as a Department to grow and adapt to the changes in the industry and the organization. As a member of the Department for over 21 years, what has been vital to the continued success of our Department is a sense of direction and measurable goals:

Increase Our Productivity and Efficiency; we continue to capitalize on education and training opportunities and consequently achieve greater competency, expertise, and resiliency within our Department.

Enhance Our Ability to Communicate; we work to maximize efforts to reduce response times and increase the efficiency of our response. We will continue to expand our public education fire safety knowledge in our community.

Advance Public Safety Interests; we will monitor and assess developing trends that impact fire prevention, fire and life safety, and our employees.

The Department prides itself on being prepared for the future while remaining focused on delivering safe, effective, and efficient service to the City and those who visit on a daily basis. Through education and training, we will continue to grow, to thrive, to move forward, be innovative, and to build on our strengths and successes.

Our commitment to excellence is demonstrated in our dedication to protecting life, property, and the environment. On behalf of the Mayor, Council Members, Board of Fire Commissioners, and the members of the Rolling Meadows Fire Department, we wish to thank our residents for your continued support.

**WE HAVE IDENTIFIED
VALUES THAT SERVE
AS A GUIDELINE FOR
SUSTAINING A
SERVICE CULTURE IN
WHICH ALL
EMPLOYEES ARE
ABLE TO GROW AND
THRIVE:**

- **ACCOMPLISHMENT**
- **DEDICATION**
- **KNOWLEDGE**
- **PROFESSIONALISM**
- **SECURITY**



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WHO WE ARE

CONTINUALLY REVIEWING OUR CURRENT AND PAST PERFORMANCE ENSURES THAT WE PERFORM AT A STANDARD CONSISTENT WITH THE EXPECTATIONS OF THE COMMUNITY.

WITH FOCUS ON IMPROVEMENT OF FUTURE RESPONSE, WE CULTIVATE A VISION THAT IS OPEN TO CHANGE, WE ADAPT AS THE COMMUNITY GROWS AND MATURES. WE ULTIMATELY STRIVE TO ENHANCE THE SAFETY OF OUR COMMUNITY; THE BUSINESSES, CITIZENS, AND VISITORS TO THE CITY OF ROLLING MEADOWS.





YEARS OF SERVICE



RECOGNIZING YEARS OF SERVICE



**LT
Christopher Lee**



**FF/PM
Jay Delfin**



**Chief
Peter Sutter**



**FF/PM
Brian Wirtz**



**FF/PM
David Rill**



**FF/PM
Nichole Junge**



**FF/PM
Mark Hayden**



**FF/PM
Ben Kamminga**



**LT
Adam Taylor**



**FF/PM
David Bacino**



**LT
Ryan Lettieri**



**FF/PM
Bradley Petrik**



**BC
Dan Kusek**



**LT
Michael
Mullaney**



**BC
Benjamin
Dwyer**



RECOGNIZING YEARS OF SERVICE



**BC
Ryan Harding**



**LT
Robert
Rabelhofer**



**FF/PM
Lance Neuses**



**FF/PM
Chad Lovick**



**FF/PM
Michael Padula**



**FF/PM
Colin Barr**



**FF/PM
Andre Hall**



**LT
John Palmisano**



**FF/PM
Timothy King**



**FF/PM
Bryan Earl**



**FF/PM
Stephen Zurek**



**FF/PM
Zach Wynveen**



**FF/PM
John Loesch Jr**



**FF/PM
Matt Cappelen**



**FF/PM
Paul Davis**



RECOGNIZING YEARS OF SERVICE



**FF/PM
Michael
Baumgart**



**FF/PM
Patrick O'Meara**



**FF/PM
Craig Allen**



**FF/PM
Dan Cheval**



**Logistics
Coordinator
Lisa Norton**



**FF/PM
Timothy Drain**



**FF/PM
Jacek Brylewski**



**FF/PM
Charles Myers**



**FF/PM
Matthew Bohnen**



**FF/PM
Jerome Brault**



**FF/PM
Dusty Psaila**



**FF/PM
Javier Salgado**



**FF/PM
Nicholas Mann**



**FF/PM
Justin Kim**



**DC
Scott Mohr**



NOTEWORTHY EVENTS



NOTEWORTHY EVENTS

HONORING THE RETIREMENT OF

Fire Chief Jeff Moxley

Member Since 1991

31+ YEARS OF
DEDICATED SERVICE
TO THE
COMMUNITY



Battalion Chief James Marvin

Member Since 1998

24+ YEARS OF
DEDICATED SERVICE
TO THE
COMMUNITY

HONORING THE PROMOTION / APPOINTMENT OF

Fire Chief Peter Sutter

Member Since 2001

21+ YEARS OF
DEDICATED SERVICE
TO THE
COMMUNITY



Deputy Chief Scott Mohr

New Member In 2022

HIRE DATE
OCTOBER 24, 2022

Battalion Chief Ryan Harding

Member Since 2008

14+ YEARS OF
DEDICATED SERVICE
TO THE
COMMUNITY



Lieutenant Mike Mullaney

Member Since 2007

15+ YEARS OF
DEDICATED SERVICE
TO THE
COMMUNITY



NOTEWORTHY EVENTS

HONORING OUR FULL MEMBER OF ONE YEAR



FF/PM
Jerome Brault

PAST PROBATION
FULL MEMBER OF ONE YEAR
JULY 12, 2022

HONORING OUR NEW MEMBERS

FF/PM
Nick Mann

HIRE DATE
MARCH 7, 2022



FF/PM
Dusty Psaila

HIRE DATE
MARCH 7, 2022



FF/PM
Javier Salgado

HIRE DATE
MARCH 7, 2022



FF/PM
Justin Kim

HIRE DATE
OCTOBER 17, 2022





ORGANIZATIONAL CHART

FIRE DEPARTMENT STAFFING
 1 FIRE CHIEF
 1 DEPUTY CHIEF
 1 FIRE INSPECTOR
 3 BATTALION CHIEFS
 6 LIEUTENANTS
 33 FIREFIGHTER / PARAMEDICS
 1 LOGISTICS COORDINATOR
 46 TOTAL PERSONNEL



 FIRE ADMINISTRATION
  SHIFT PERSONNEL
 CIVILIAN
 DEPARTMENT MEMBERS

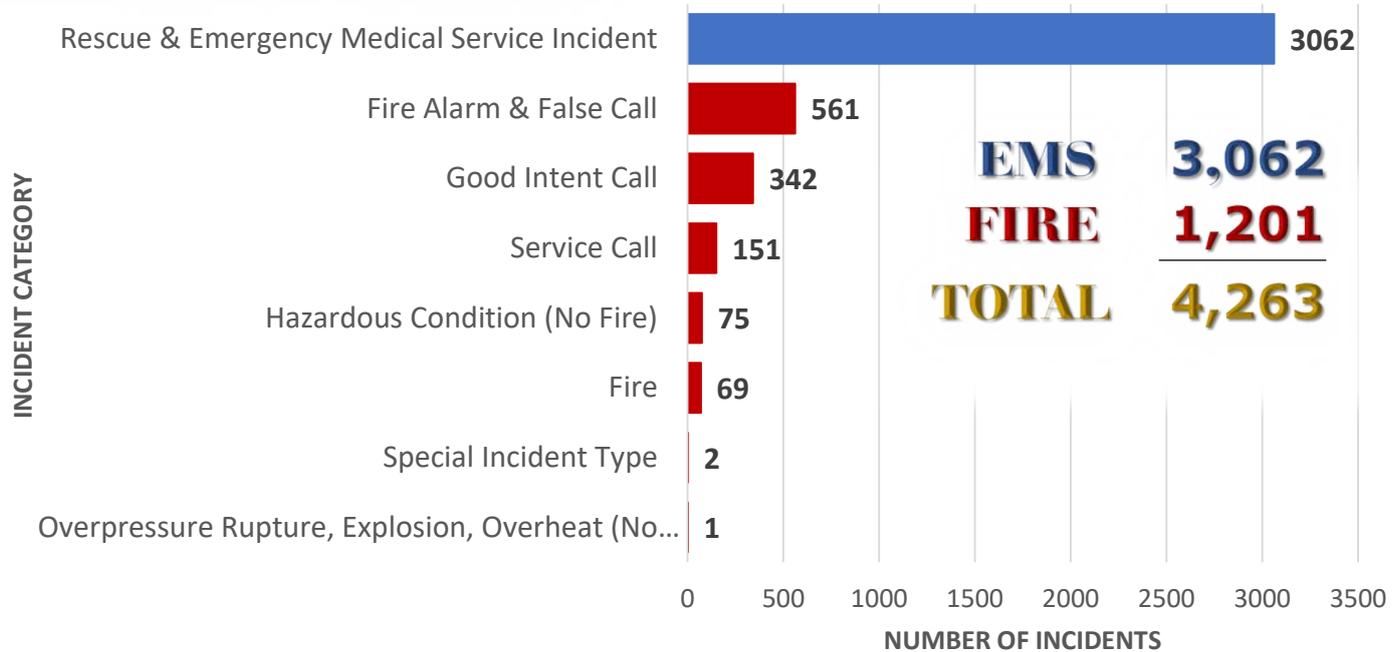


2022 DEPARTMENT RESPONSE

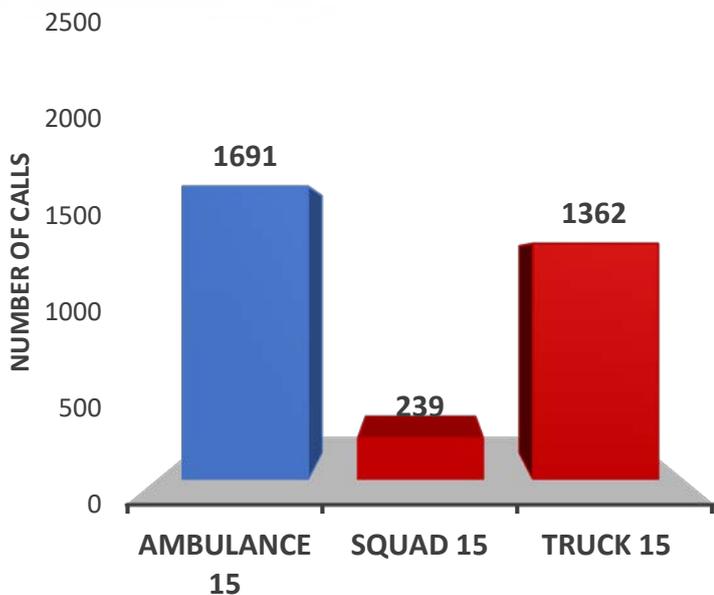
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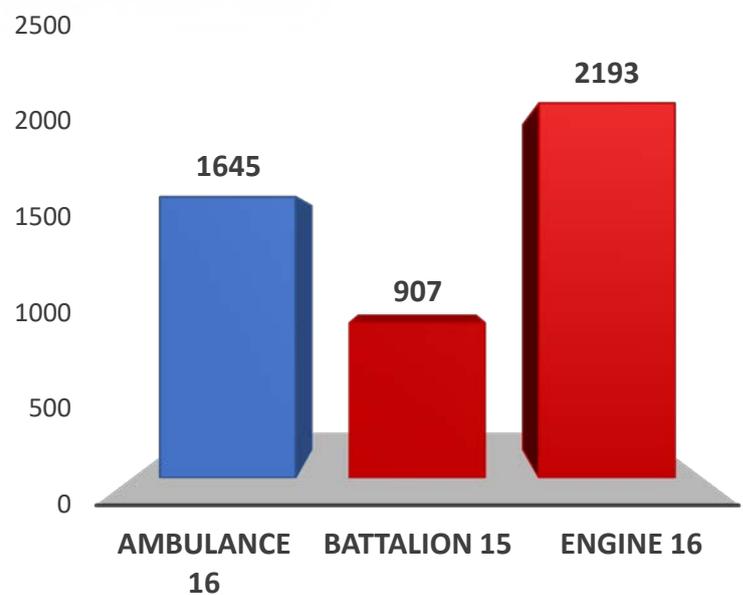
INCIDENT RESPONSE BY INCIDENT CATEGORY



INCIDENT RESPONSE BY VEHICLE STATION 15



STATION 16



INCIDENT DETAIL BY CATEGORY

RESCUE & EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE	3,062
Accident involving bicycle	1
Assist invalid	57
Check on Well Being - No Patient	4
Emergency medical service, other	1
EMS call, excluding vehicle accident with injury	2,769
Ems Call, No Patient Contact	26
Lock-in (if lock out , use 511)	1
Medical Alert-False Activation	30
Medical assist, assist EMS crew	1
Motor vehicle accident with extrication	3
Motor vehicle accident with injuries	116
Motor vehicle accident with no injuries.	26
Motor vehicle/pedestrian accident (MV Ped)	3
Removal of victim(s) from stalled elevator	19
Trench/below-grade rescue	1
Vehicle Accident involving motorcycle	4

FIRE ALARM & FALSE CALL	561
Alarm system activation, no fire - unintentional	184
Alarm system sounded due to malfunction	68
Broken sprinkler due to being struck	5
Broken sprinkler due to freezing	5
Broken Sprinkler Pipe - Unknown Reason	3
Carbon Dioxide(CO2) detection system malfunction	1
Carbon monoxide detector activation, no CO	15
CO detector - Low Battery/End of Life	13
CO detector activation due to malfunction	5
Detector activation, no fire - unintentional	27
Direct tie to FD, malicious false alarm	3
Heat detector activation due to malfunction	2
Malicious, mischievous false call, other	5
Municipal alarm system, malicious false alarm	5
Smoke Alarm - Low Battery/End of Life	4
Smoke Alarm activation due to malfunction	26
Smoke Alarm activation, no fire - unintentional	68
Sprinkler activation, no fire - unintentional	2
Supervisory (tamper, low temp, low pressure)	5
System malfunction, other	13
Trouble Alarm - Loss of signal/Comm Failure	4
Trouble Alarm Reset	8
Trouble Alarm Unable to reset	57
Trouble Alarm - unknown reason	10
Trouble alarm due to power outage	8
Unintentional transmission of alarm, other	15

GOOD INTENT CALL	342
Dispatched & returned by another agency	14
Dispatched and cancelled en route	258
Errant Dispatch/Dispatcher Error	10
Good intent call, No Patient Contact	6
Good intent call, other	3
HazMat release investigation w/no HazMat	2
No incident found on arrival at dispatch address	14
Smoke from barbecue, tar kettle	1
Smoke scare, odor of smoke	26
Steam, other gas mistaken for smoke, other	4
Steam, vapor, fog or dust thought to be smoke	1
Wires down, Not power	3

2022 DEPARTMENT RESPONSE



SERVICE CALL	151
Animal problem, other	1
Animal rescue	1
Assist police or other governmental agency	7
Basement/Building Flooding (Significant)	1
Cover assignment, standby, moveup	24
Defective elevator, no occupants	1
Elevator, Open line - no occupants	1
Lock-out	23
Odor Investigation Unfounded/Unknown	26
Person in distress, other	1
Police matter	3
Public service	4
Public service assistance, other	20
Smoke or odor removal	6
Unauthorized burning	4
Water evacuation	1
Water or steam leak	15
Water problem, other	12

HAZARDOUS CONDITION	75
Arcing, shorted electrical equipment	3
Building or structure weakened or collapsed	4
Carbon Dioxide Leak/Incident (CO2)	1
Carbon monoxide incident	15
Combustible/flammable gas/liquid condition, other	1
Electric Power line down	11
Electrical wiring/equipment problem, other	12
Gas leak (natural gas or LPG)	18
Gasoline or other flammable liquid spill	3
Oil or other combustible liquid spill	1
Overheated motor	6

FIRE	69
Brush or brush-and-grass mixture fire	2
Building fire	11
Building Fire Out of town	18
Cooking fire, confined to container	7
Dumpster or other outside trash receptacle fire	2
Fire contained in Appliance	7
Mobile property (vehicle) fire, other	1
Mulch Fire	7
Outside rubbish fire, other	2
Outside rubbish, trash or waste fire	5
Outside storage fire	1
Passenger vehicle fire	5
Special outside fire, other	1

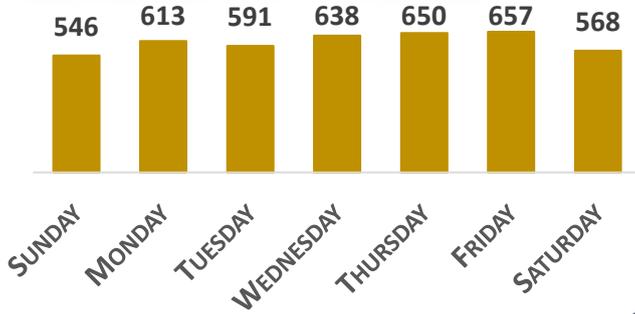
SPECIAL INCIDENT TYPE	2
Special type of incident, other	2

OVERPRESSURE RUPTURE, EXPLOSION, OVERHEAD	1
Excessive heat, scorch burns with no ignition	1

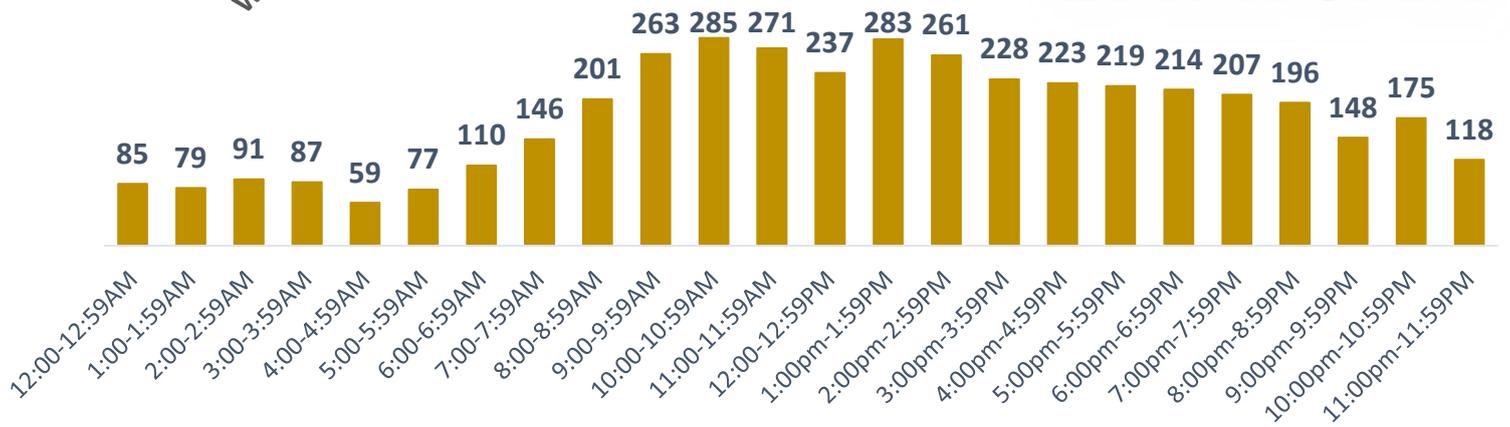
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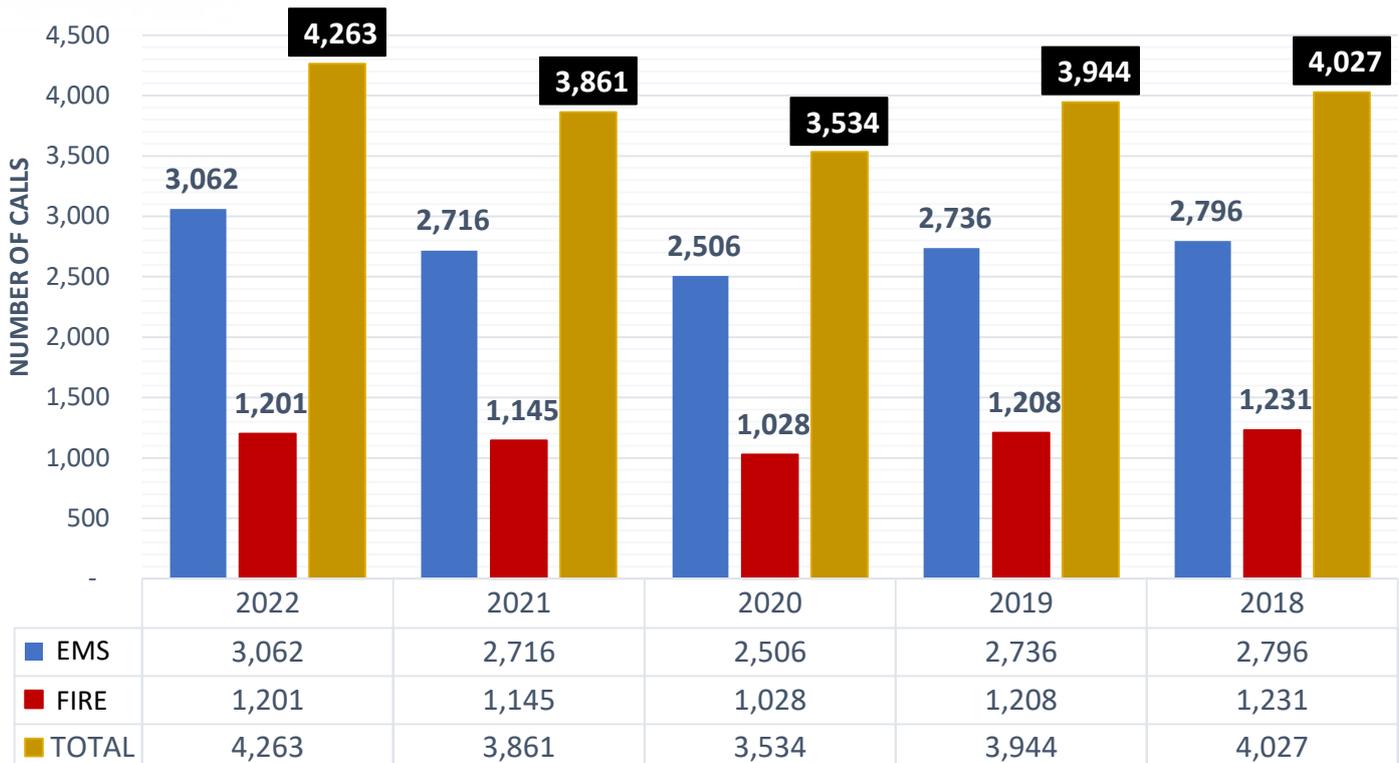
INCIDENT COUNT BY DAY OF WEEK



INCIDENT COUNT BY TIME OF DAY



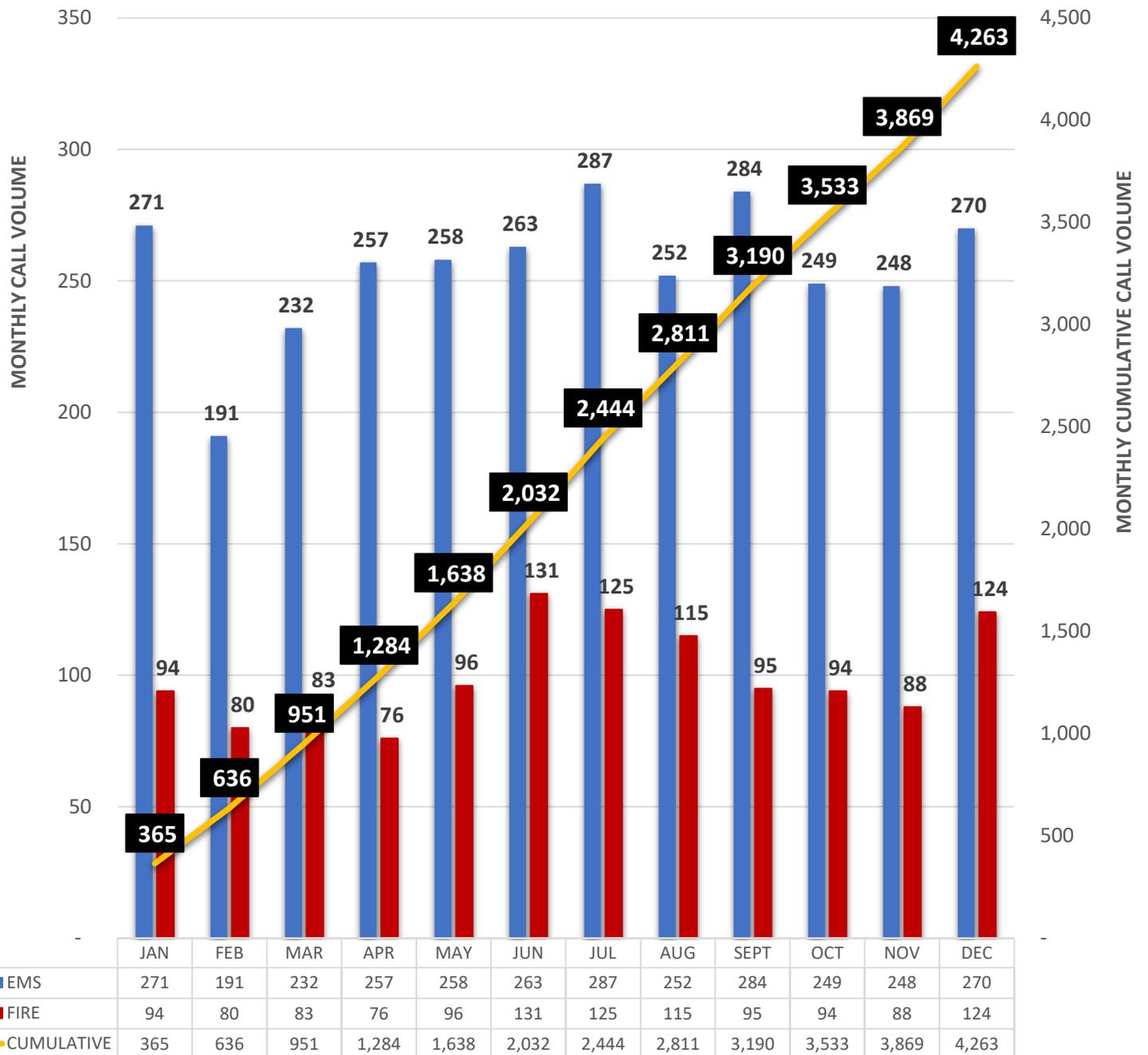
INCIDENT COUNT BY YEAR



2022 DEPARTMENT RESPONSE



CUMULATIVE INCIDENT COUNT



DEPARTMENT RESPONSE



5-YEAR COMPARISON CUMULATIVE INCIDENT RESPONSE

2022

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	TOTAL
EMS	271	191	232	257	258	263	287	252	284	249	248	270	3,062
FIRE	94	80	83	76	96	131	125	115	95	94	88	124	1,201
Month Total	365	271	315	333	354	394	412	367	379	343	336	394	4,263
Cumulative Total	365	636	951	1,284	1,638	2,032	2,444	2,811	3,190	3,533	3,869	4,263	4,263

2021

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	TOTAL
EMS	197	191	249	235	211	202	212	249	243	256	196	275	2,716
FIRE	76	89	111	90	105	94	99	122	82	90	95	92	1,145
Month Total	273	280	360	325	316	296	311	371	325	346	291	367	3,861
Cumulative Total	273	553	913	1,238	1,554	1,850	2,161	2,532	2,857	3,203	3,494	3,861	3,861

2020

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	TOTAL
EMS	252	212	216	176	214	202	182	195	205	208	243	201	2,506
FIRE	88	67	94	67	82	115	96	90	80	81	77	91	1,028
Month Total	340	279	310	243	296	317	278	285	285	289	320	292	3,534
Cumulative Total	340	619	929	1,172	1,468	1,785	2,063	2,348	2,633	2,922	3,242	3,534	3,534

2019

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	TOTAL
EMS	202	182	247	245	240	220	216	216	244	228	240	256	2,736
FIRE	115	115	85	88	110	116	93	88	100	103	96	99	1,208
Month Total	317	297	332	333	350	336	309	304	344	331	336	355	3,944
Cumulative Total	317	614	946	1,279	1,629	1,965	2,274	2,578	2,922	3,253	3,589	3,944	3,944

2018

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	TOTAL
EMS	261	219	218	229	243	225	229	255	239	227	235	216	2,796
FIRE	127	91	95	72	129	99	100	104	123	86	120	85	1,231
Month Total	388	310	313	301	372	324	329	359	362	313	355	301	4,027
Cumulative Total	388	698	1,011	1,312	1,684	2,008	2,337	2,696	3,058	3,371	3,726	4,027	4,027



MABAS MUTUAL AID

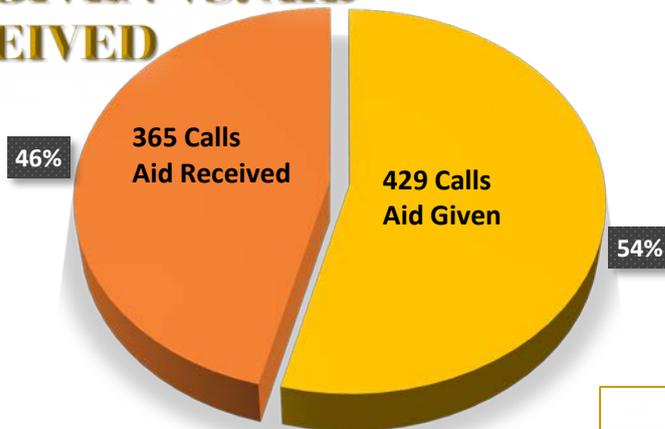
The Rolling Meadows Fire Department is part of the Illinois Mutual Aid Box Alarm System (MABAS) designed to provide assistance to area departments when the response capability of a community is depleted due to large scale or multiple incidents. In addition to MABAS Agreements, we maintain Automatic Aid Agreements with three of our surrounding communities:

- Arlington Heights
- Palatine
- Inverness Fire Protection District

These Agreements are designed maximize resources to our respective communities to reduce response times and increase the efficiency of the responding agencies.



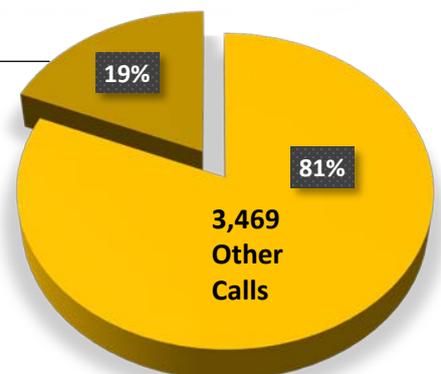
AID GIVEN VS. AID RECEIVED



Approximately 19% of our annual calls involve some type of mutual aid response where the Rolling Meadows Fire Department is either providing resources to our neighbors or receiving resources from them.

MUTUAL AID CALLS

794
Total
Mutual
Aid Calls



Rolling Meadows Fire Department	
2022 Annual Response	4,263
District 15 Response	1,969
District 16 Response	1,865
MUTUAL-AID GIVEN	429



FIRE DEPARTMENT OPERATIONS



APPARATUS COMMITTEE

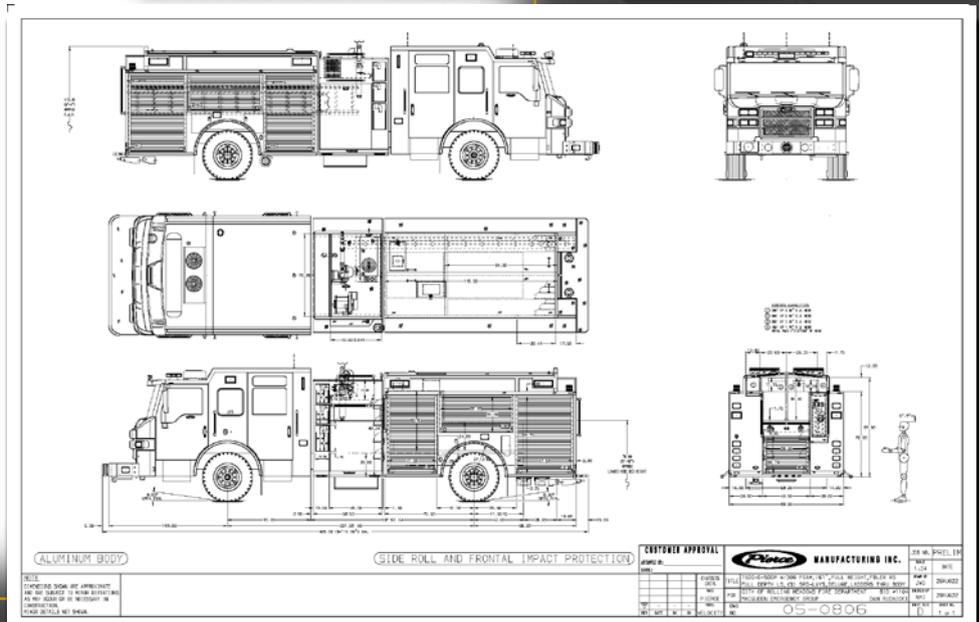
New in 2022 Ambulance 623

In 2022, the department received our newest ambulance from Foster Coach. Ambulance 16, or A623 by its vehicle number, is a **2022 Ford F650 Ambulance by Horton**. A623 is responding out of Station 16 and will serve our community for many years to come. Ambulance 16 is the third ambulance of its kind in the current fleet of ambulances at Rolling Meadows; we take pride in its smoother ride and functionality.



New in 2024 Engine 16

Ordered in October of 2022, **Rolling Meadows' next Engine will be from Pierce Manufacturing**. This new Fire Engine will be placed at Station 16, and is a near replica of the current Engine 16. Estimated delivery will be in 2024.



Chief Peter Sutter



LT John Palmisano



FF/PM Ben Kamminga



COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION

The Communications Division oversees the maintenance and use of the department radios, station alerting equipment, and the computer aided dispatch system. The Division works closely with the Rolling Meadows IT Department to ensure the vehicles are mounted with mobile data terminals (MDT), and are operational and updated. We work with the Public Works Motor Pool Division to aid us in installing radios and MDT hardware in our vehicles to ensure that crews are mission ready at all times.

In 2022, the Communications Division oversaw several items of note:

- The **New Motorola CAD Mapping** was installed to allow for quicker acquisition of addresses.
- The Fire Department purchased **Unication G5 Dual Band Voice Pagers** to allow for redundant backup to our alerting systems in the stations, thus delivering immediate notification of incidents to our Chief Officers.
- We purchased the **First Arriving Digital Signage With a Dashboard System** allowing rapid dissemination of dispatch information including response mapping and Google Street Views. The System will also allow for announcements, noteworthy events, staffing changes, and equipment issues communicated to all members of the department quickly and consistently.
- The Communications Division is constantly assessing the effectiveness of our response and updating programming to ensure that that we communicate efficiently both locally and on a state-wide level.



LT Robert Rabelhofer



FF/PM Lance Neuses

- The department purchased and put into service a new Ambulance 623 in 2023. The Communications Division is responsible for ensuring that the proper equipment, including **MDT Units, Docking Station Units, Docking Stations and Radios** are on hand and ready to be placed in service. Due to current supply chain issues and extended wait times, we also ordered the necessary **MDT equipment** for the new Squad 15 that will be arriving in 2023.





EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

The Rolling Meadows Fire Department is proud that all of our members are Illinois State Certified Paramedics. This structure allows our department to staff two Advanced Life Support (ALS) Transport Ambulances, one ALS Non-Transport-Engine, and one ALS Non-Transport Fire Truck on a daily basis. One ALS Non-Transport Engine, one ALS Medium-Duty Squad, and one fully equipped ALS Transport Ambulance stand ready in reserve status should they be needed. Our Reserve Ambulance is utilized for special events and is available should a front-line ambulance require repair or maintenance work.

All of our Paramedics function under the direction of the Northwest Community Hospital EMS System and receive a minimum of 30 hours of Continuing Education Credits (CEUs) annually. These CEUs address Adult and Pediatric ALS and BLS Care, they also require maintenance of a current American Heart Association CPR Card, and completion of annual competencies in Blood Borne Pathogens Exposure Risk. This Standard is a minimum, RMFD Paramedics far exceed these requirements.

To maintain a superior level of service to the community, our EMS Committee Members attend monthly meetings at Northwest Community Hospital including:

- Provider EMS Coordinator (PEMSC),
- Provider Based Quality Improvement (PBQI),
- Computer Aided Reporting System (CARS),
- Education, Research and Development, Advisory Board, and Emergency Preparedness.

1,165+ DEPARTMENT TRAINING HOURS

In addition to emergency requests for patient care, the Rolling Meadows Fire Department's EMS Members provide additional services such as blood pressure readings for residents and city employees, CPR Classes, and stand-by ambulance services at the Rolling Meadows High School home football games. The Rolling Meadows Fire Department EMS Division continually strives to provide the highest level of care for our residents and visitors alike.



**BC Dan
Kusek**



**FF/PM Nichole
Junge**



**FF/PM Mark
Hayden**



**FF/PM Matt
Cappelen**



**FF/PM Andre
Hall**



**BC Ben
Dwyer**



**LT Ryan
Lettieri**



**FF/PM Steve
Zurek**





FIRE DEPARTMENT TRAINING

To ensure crews are mission ready at all times, training continues to be a top priority at the Rolling Meadows Fire Department. Through education and training opportunities, we continue to maximize our efforts to reduce response times, and increase the expertise and efficiency of our response.

17,755
TRAINING
HOURS





WE TRAIN FOR ALL EMERGENCIES



SPECIAL OPERATIONS TEAMS



FIRE INVESTIGATIONS



It is the responsibility of the Fire Chief by Illinois State Statute (425 ILCS 25) to ensure that the cause and origin of every fire is investigated. This responsibility has been designated to the Fire Investigations Team (FIT). All of our Investigators have attended a 120-hour Fire Investigations Class, and are Certified by the Illinois Office of the State Fire Marshal. In order to maintain this Certification, each Investigator must also complete 100 hours of Continuing Education (CE) in a four-year-period. These CE hours can be obtained through classes, seminars, ride alongs, and investigations of actual fires.

During an investigation, the evidence from the scene is evaluated, the fire room or area and its contents are reconstructed, interviews are conducted, scene sketches are created, and photographs of the scene are taken. Depending on the size and scope of the fire, assistance from the MABAS Fire Investigations Committee, the State Fire Marshal's Office, or the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms (ATF) can be deployed. We also have the ability to call for help within the Rural Palatine and Meadows (RPM) Departments with an RPM Investigator Call Out through our dispatch center. Palatine and Palatine Rural also have the ability to call for our assistance through the same process.



The Rolling Meadows Fire Department FIT plans to continue attending training evolutions conducted by the MABAS Division 1 Investigations Committee. Our experienced FIT has an active role in conducting many of these training exercises. LT Lee continues to be the Training Coordinator for the MABAS 1 Investigations Committee.



LT Chris Lee



FF/PM Ben Kamminga



BC Dan Kusek



LT Robert Rabelhofer



HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

The Rolling Meadows Fire Department Hazardous Materials Team (HazMat) had an active year in 2022. Our HazMat Team consists of six members, four of which are on the Deployable Roster for MABAS Division 1. The Department is in the process of updating our HazMat response apparatus on our new Squad.

As part of the MABAS Division 1 HazMat Team, we participate in quarterly drills. We also train on- and off-duty several times per year.

Training topics in 2022 included:

- HazMat Rapid Intervention Training
- Metering
- Substance Collection

The Rolling Meadows Fire Department responded to a total of 75 HazMat calls, some of which include:

- Gas Leaks
- Electrical Wiring/Equipment Issues
- Overheated Motor
- Electric Power Line Down

230
DEPARTMENT
TRAINING
HOURS



LT Adam Taylor



FF/PM Colin Barr



FF/PM Chad Lovick



FF/PM Tim King



FF/PM Steve Zurek



FF/PM Zach Wynveen



SWIFTWATER RESCUE

In 2022, our Swiftwater Team participated in a large MABAS drill while working with new MABAS equipment. This 8-hour MABAS Division 1 Swiftwater Drill was held in Yorkville, Illinois. The Drill included kayaking shoots which produce rapids in the river to create a high level of difficulty, ultimately producing a more effective training experience.

Also supplied by MABAS Division 1 was a new style of watercraft that is being housed in Rolling Meadows. The Rapid Deployment Craft (RDC) is a specialized water craft which is easy to control, stable, and is self-righting in potential overturning situations. It is ideal for high-risk swiftwater and ice rescue emergencies. The Swiftwater Team will continue to train to enhance our skill and efficiency with MABAS Division 1 and with our neighboring departments.

The 2022 swim test was completed at the Rolling Meadows Park District.

96
TEAM
TRAINING
HOURS



LT John Palmisano



BC Ben Dwyer



FF/PM Ben Kamminga



FF/PM Paul Davis



LT Mike Mullaney



TECHNICAL RESCUE

The members of the Technical Rescue Team (TRT) are trained in specialized areas of rescue beyond that of firefighting and EMS. These areas include Rope, Confined Space, Trench, and Structural Collapse. Our members are also part of the larger MABAS Division 1 Technical Rescue Team. The MABAS Team is comprised of 14 area departments each supplying the same specialized training to their members. We are taught to State and National Standards allowing interoperability at local, regional, and national incidents. Our team members are highly trained and dedicated rescuers who are driven to perform under less than ideal conditions at an extremely high level of competency.

The Rolling Meadows Fire Department Technical Rescue Team accomplished the following in 2022:

- FF/PM Matt Bohnen was added to the TRT.
- FF/PM Tim Drain and FF/PM Matt Bohnen were added to the MABAS Division 1 TRT Training Roster.
- LT Rob Rabelhofer attended the Society of Professional Rope Access Technicians (SPRAT), Level 1 Training through Elevated Safety. SPRAT is an organization that advances the safe use of rope access through education, standard and development, and certification administration.
- Included on the MABAS Division 1 TRT Deployment Roster are LT Rob Rabelhofer, and LT Chris Lee. In 2022, FF/PM John Loesch, Jr. was added to the Roster after obtaining the necessary training and certifications.
- On April 7, 2022, TRT Members Rabelhofer and Lee deployed with Division 1 TRT to the "Operation Festival Fury" large scale training incident. RMFD was responsible for deploying with both the MABAS 1 UTV, and the Air Truck where they performed structural collapse rescue, search, and shoring operations.

1,305+ TRAINING HOURS



LT Rob Rabelhofer



LT John Palmisano



LT Chris Lee



FF/PM John Loesch Jr



FF/PM Tim Drain



FF/PM Matt Bohnen



ADDITIONAL DIVISIONS

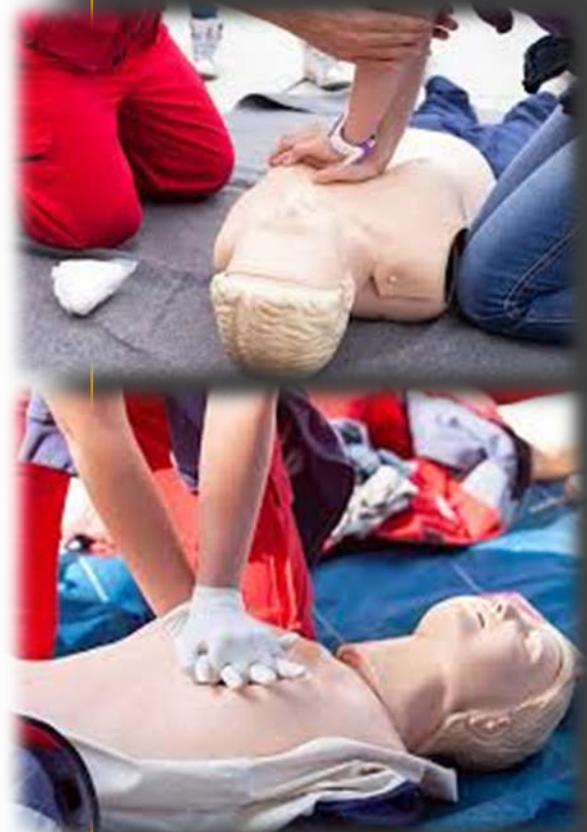


CPR/AED & BLS TRAINING

Over the past year the department continued to have a great turnout for our monthly Wednesday evening American Heart Association First Aid CPR/AED and BLS Training. Community members were eager to learn this necessary life-saving skill. We also had the opportunity to provide Certifications to various corporations, doctors' offices, and day care centers' in town. The department even provided this necessary training to our own Rolling Meadows administrative staff who are now CPR Certified.

The department will continue to provide the opportunity for this essential life saving skill when we have the opportunity.

**100 +
COMMUNITY
EDUCATION
HOURS**



Photos Courtesy of American Heart Association



FIRE PREVENTION BUREAU

One of the most effective ways to reduce fire loss is to prevent fires from starting. The Rolling Meadows Fire Department Fire Prevention Bureau's duty is to inspect all of the occupancies and buildings within its jurisdiction.

FIRE INSPECTIONS

Performing fire inspections can reduce the potential of a fire from occurring and keep fire safety at the forefront of the business owners and property managers' programs and plans, thus reducing the likelihood of fire in the building. Decreasing the dollar loss to a business and time lost when a fire occurs is important, not only to the business owner, but the City as well.

OCCUPANCY INSPECTIONS

Inspections of business, multi-family, and industrial occupancies are performed to maintain the health, safety, and general welfare of all concerned. A greater percentage of the inspections in our City have been performed with the help of off-duty firefighter inspectors taking on this responsibility.

PRE PLANNING & SAFETY INSPECTIONS

Performing inspections are important, not only to the business, but to the firefighters as well. The information obtained during an inspection is passed on to the firefighters and added to the building's pre-plan providing pertinent details preparing crews for response to an emergency.

On-duty fire personnel are also involved with the Bureau, the companies perform the first fire inspection on multi-family occupancies permitting the firefighters to see the inside of the buildings and observe special processes or other conditions that may effect firefighting tactics. This task helps firefighters to become familiar with the multi-family buildings in the City. Additionally, the firefighters are able to interact with the community providing the opportunity to have open communication regarding the maintenance of a fire-safe environment.





FOREIGN FIRE BOARD

The Rolling Meadows Foreign Fire Tax Fund receives revenue via Illinois State Statute (65 ILCS 5/11-10-1) which mandates insurance companies headquartered outside of the State of Illinois to pay a fee not exceeding 2% of gross receipts received from fire insurance on properties in Illinois that have established fire departments. Per the Statute, money is collected by the Illinois Municipal League for distribution; this revenue has an elected Foreign Fire Insurance Board to manage the distribution of the Funds. Fire departments that are eligible to receive this Fund, provide services for municipalities with fewer than 500,000 residents. The Rolling Meadows Foreign Fire Tax Board is authorized to expend the Funds for the following purposes:

- Personnel expenditures for safety devices or education;
- Personnel expenditures for training or training materials;
- Personnel expenditures for health or physical fitness;
- Furniture, appliances, and other materials necessary for personnel at the firehouse;
- Specialized equipment as appropriate to support daily operations and essential functions.

Major purchases in 2022 included:

- New heavy rescue squad equipment
- New recliners for Station 15 and Station 16
- Fitness shoe program
- Update to Foreign Fire Bylaws
- Radio straps for each member of the department
- Hand tools for Honor Guard
- Approval of cabinets for joker stands at each station
- Gear dryers and mask bags

All Board Members complete required Ethics Training through the Illinois Attorney General's Office and are responsible for each purchase made by the Fund.



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HONOR GUARD

In 2022, the Rolling Meadows Fire Department Honor Guard participated in numerous District drills; all members also attended The Annual Honor Guard State Convention in Normal, Illinois. The Guard performed a walk-out ceremony for Retired Fire Chief Jeff Moxley, and also led the City of Rolling Meadows Memorial Day parade alongside the Rolling Meadows Police Department Honor Guard members.

The Guard also presented the Colors prior to the Start of a District Union Meeting held at BluSky Restoration.

70 + VOLUNTEER HOURS

*To Honor, To Cherish, To Remember,
To Salute with Overwhelming Pride for You,
My Comrade I will.*



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LT Ryan Lettieri



LT Chris Lee



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PHILANTHROPIC ENDEAVORS

Local 3075 Boot Drive

Rolling Meadows Fire Local 3075 made a large financial contribution again this past year to assist with funding participants at the Illinois Fire Safety Alliance Burn Camp.



Local 3075 Senior Barbeque



Local 3075 Senior Pancake Breakfast



Parades

The department participates in the Memorial Day Parade, Veterans Dinner and Ceremony, and the 4th of July Parade.





PUBLIC EDUCATION

Over the past year the Public Education Team hosted the **Annual Open House**, and was involved in various **Touch-a-Truck** events held in conjunction with the Rolling Meadows Park District. There were numerous events also held for grade school classes, preschool classes, the park district, and a local home school program. The **Unions' Annual Pancake Breakfast** was back this year with a brief hiatus with COVID; a huge success to kick off Spring. Our Public Education Team attended the **Rolling Meadows Block Party** in June, and incorporated a **Safe Senior Presentation** into a monthly meeting for our Seniors in town. The union also sponsored a **BBQ Lunch for our Senior Citizens**. The department attended the **Annual Trunk-or-Treat** at the community center in October. Department members, and Local 3075 also donated a large amount of food to the **RMPD Food Drive** which supported the Palatine Food Pantry in December.

Department members look forward to, and will continue to participate in the career fairs, and various other community events in the years following.

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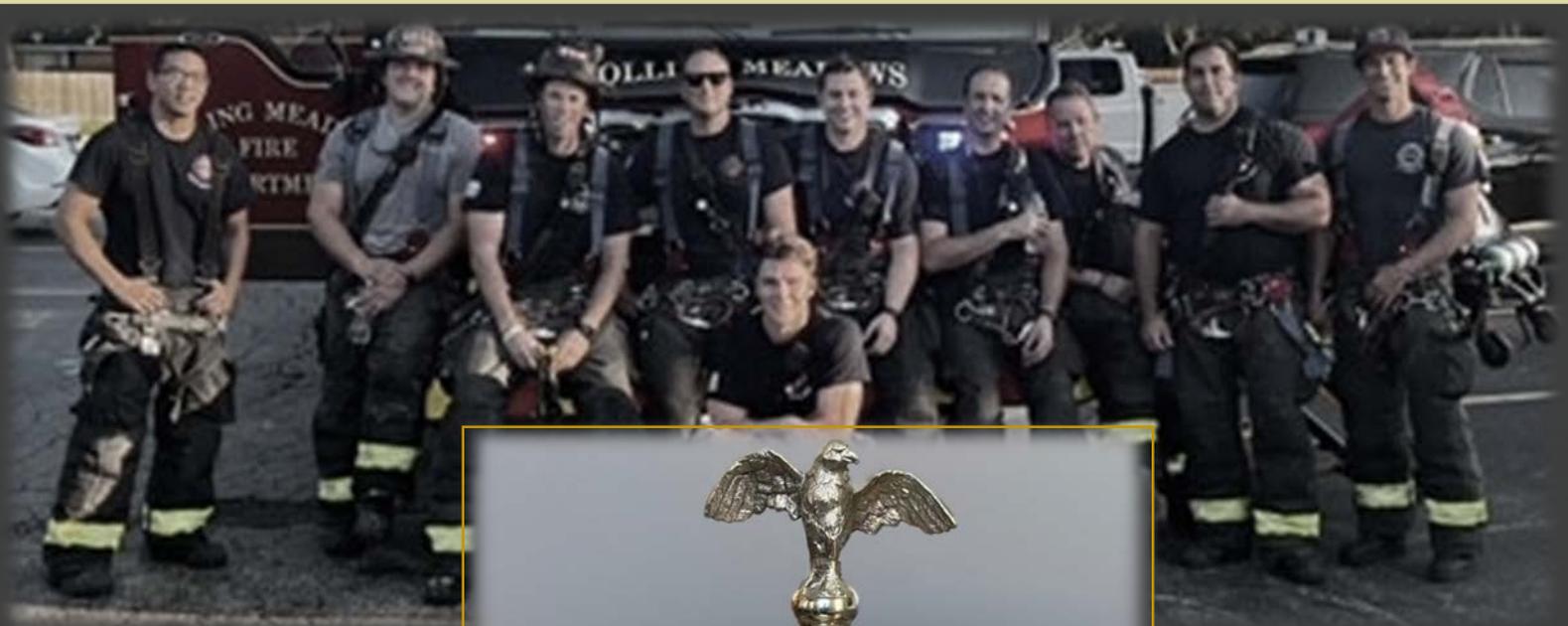
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