

ANNUAL REPORT 2020

NORTH PLATTE



Fire Department
City of
North Platte

St. 2

*Enhancing the quality of life in our community by protecting lives, property
and the environment through preparation and prevention*

A MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF

To enhance the quality of life in our community by protecting lives, property and the environment through preparation and prevention.

On behalf of the dedicated professionals of the North Platte Fire Department, I am pleased to provide you with a snapshot of our activities for 2020.

Twenty-Two will undoubtedly stand out for years to come. Preparation, a vital part of our Mission Statement certainly served our department and our community well. While it is difficult to prepare for and respond to all of the unknowns we experienced with the COVID-19 Pandemic, our public safety professionals did an amazing job of carrying out their duties, thinking outside the box, adapting to and refining processes to provide exceptional care for our community and the surrounding area.

I would be remiss to say we accomplished this alone. Blessed with many great partner agencies, we faced this together, strengthening existing and building new alliances. Many are familiar with the African proverb, "it takes a village to raise a child." I submit to you that it "takes a village" to achieve nearly any meaningful change, including fighting the Pandemic we have been faced with.

As the COVID-19 Pandemic unfolded, there were many questions, and difficult decisions. I want to thank members of the International Association of Firefighters (IAFF) Local 831 for their commitment to assisting administration through a very tight budget as we faced unsure economic impact.

We consider it a privilege to serve the great people of North Platte and look forward to working with you as we prepare for exciting opportunities that await our community.

Dennis Thompson; Fire Chief

BUREAU OF FIRE PREVENTION

2020 YEAR REPORT

Inspections: 300 down due to Covid-19. Some facilities requested that we suspend inspection of their facility until the Governor lifts Directive Health Measures (DHM) for the State of Nebraska.

Plan reviews: Building 32

Plan Reviews: Fire Alarms, Hood Systems, Automatic Fire Sprinkler Systems: 19

Fees collected for Plan Services: \$2,133.50

Inspection Fees: \$2,090.00

Firework Stand Permit Fees: \$7,000.00. Number of Fireworks Stands: 14, this is two more from last year.

Three reported injuries due to fireworks.

6-10 year old male – 1st Degree Burns to arm, leg and buttocks. Artillery Shell

11-19 year old male – 1st Degree Burn to hand. Ground spinner

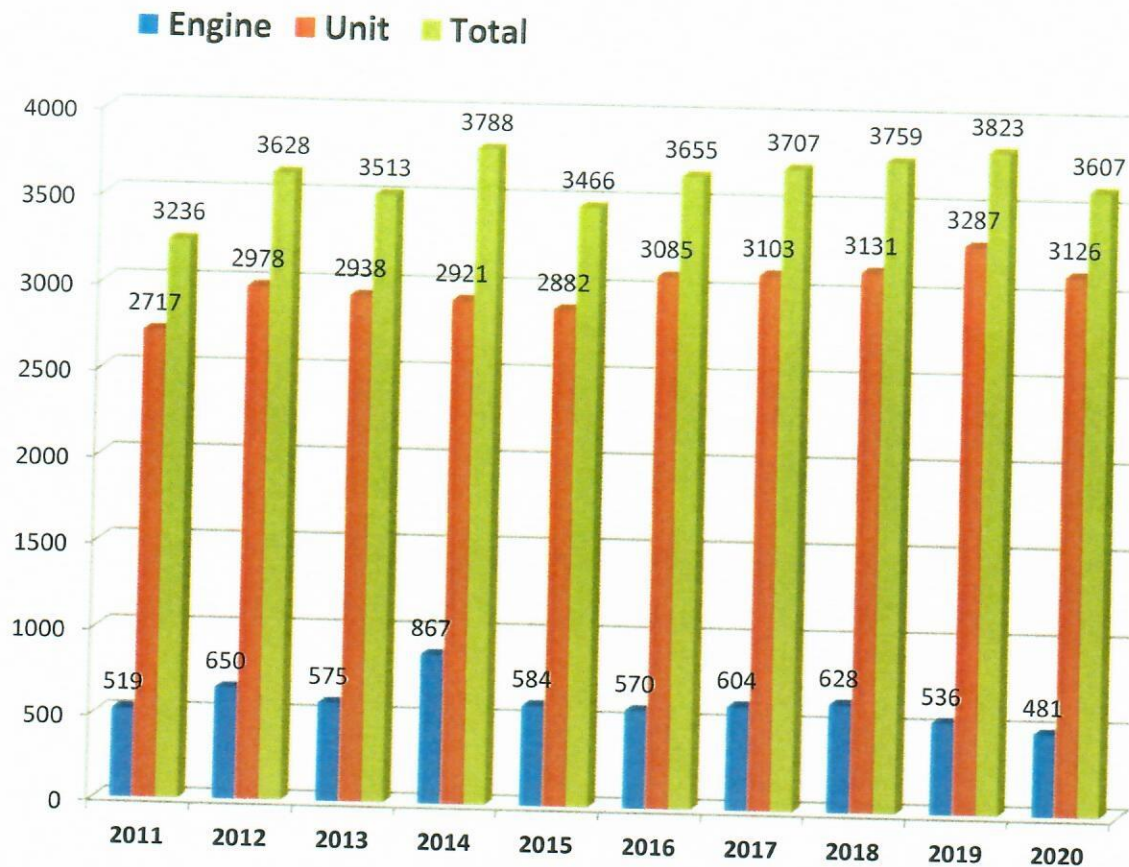
30-39 year old male – Abrasion, laceration. Injuries to thumb (tear) face (abrasion), left thigh (laceration). Sky Rocket

Nine fires reported due to fireworks: seven grass fires – one trash receptacle –one pile of fence posts.

This year Fire Prevention Week and Smoke Detectives Class for school was cancelled due to Covid-19.



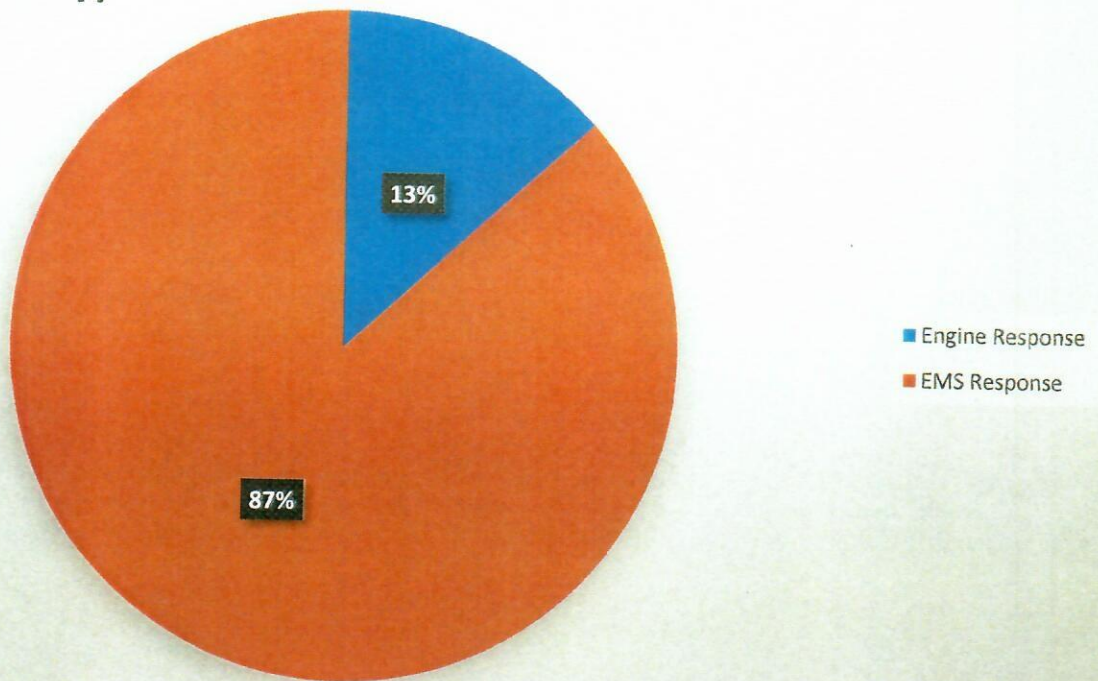
Ten-Year Response 2011-2020



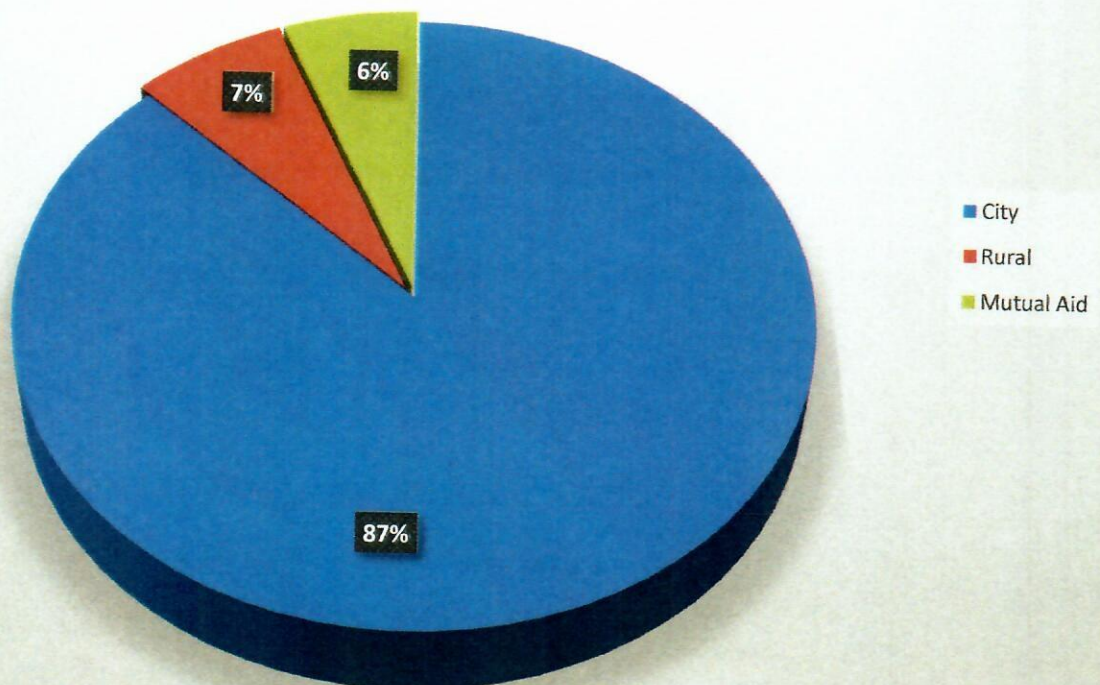
Year	Engine Response	Unit Response	Total Response	Increased Volume Per Year	Average Calls Per Shift
2011	519	2717	3236	▲ 0	9
2012	650	2978	3628	▲ 392	10
2013	575	2938	3513	▼ 115	10
2014	867	2921	3788	▲ 275	10
2015	584	2882	3466	▼ 322	9
2016	570	3085	3655	▲ 189	10
2017	604	3103	3707	▲ 52	10
2018	628	3131	3759	▲ 52	10
2019	536	3287	3823	▲ 64	10
2020	481	3126	3607	▼ 216	10
	▲ 55	▲ 161	10-Year Difference	▲ 371	



Response Type



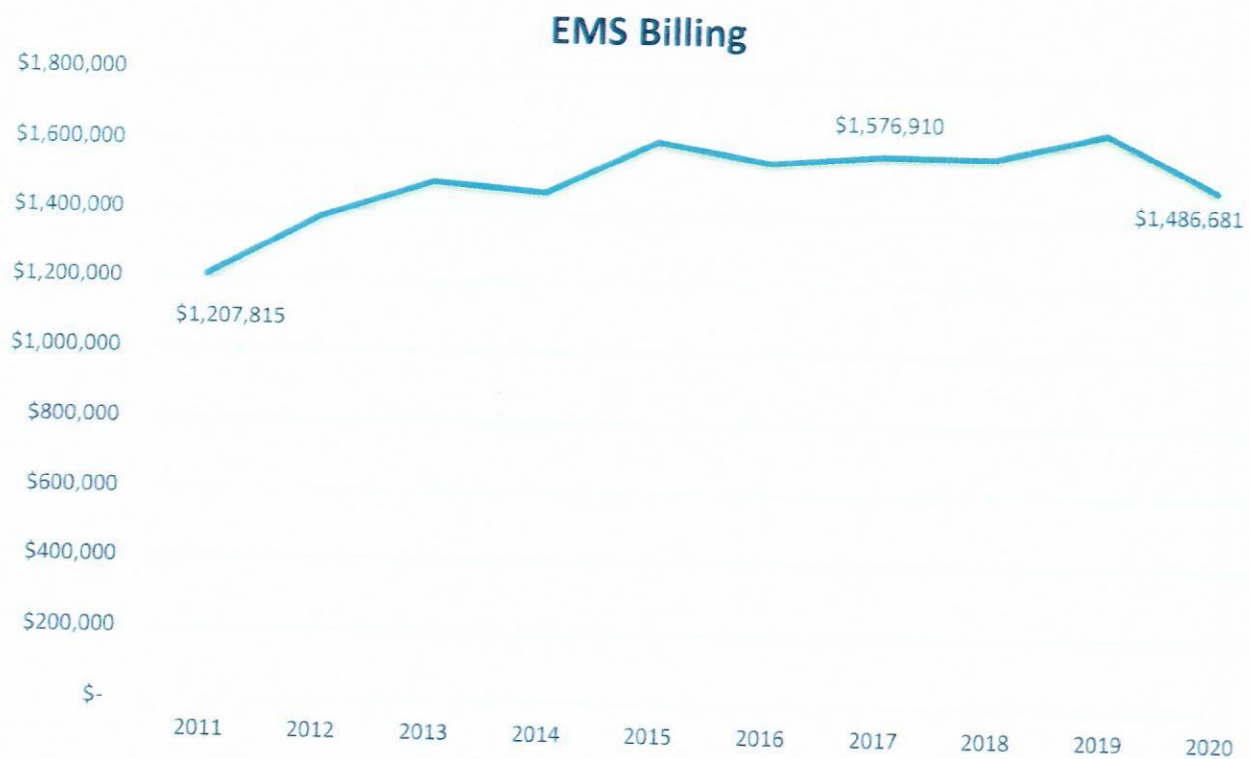
Response District





Medical Services

2019	EMS Response Breakdown	2020
1697	Basic Life Support	1693
777	Advanced Life Support	358
652	No Care Required	749
161	Assistance	232
3287	Total EMS Responses	3032





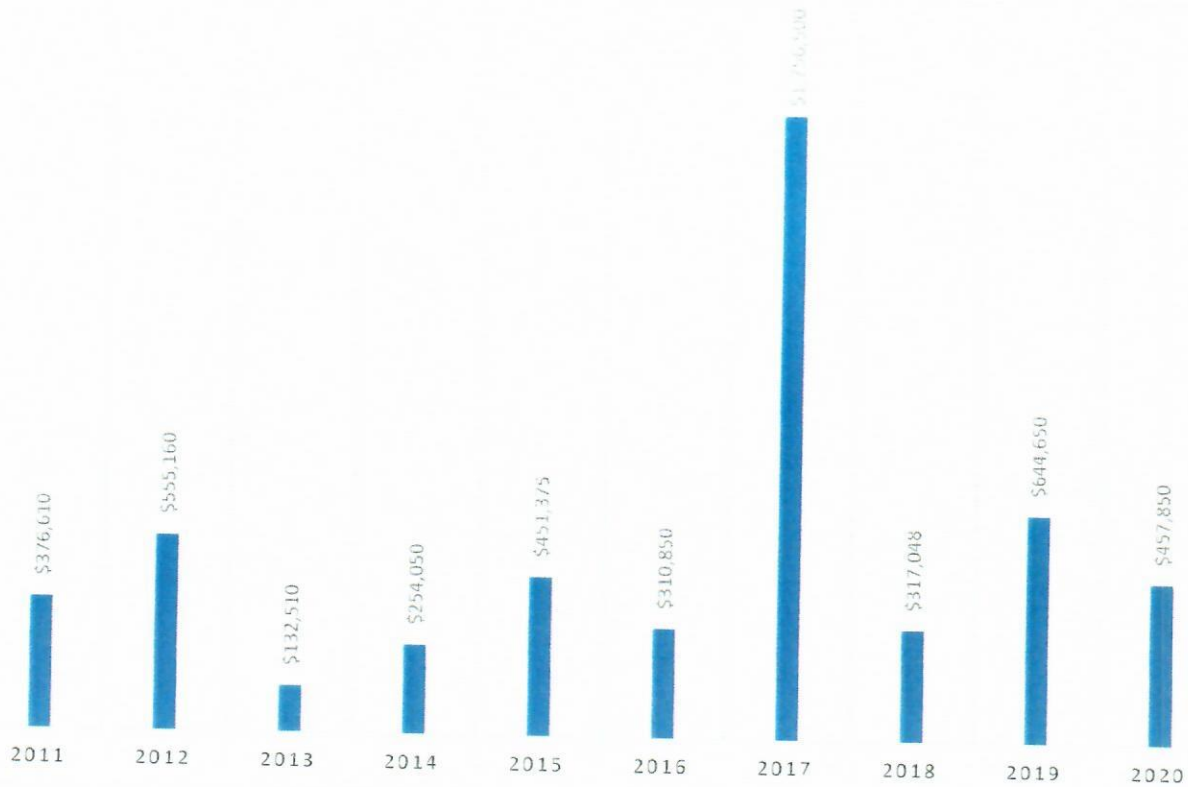
Call Frequency Analysis

Hour	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Hour	Total per Hour	Percent
00:00	15	6	17	14	11	9	16	00:00	88	2.44%
01:00	14	16	8	9	15	9	16	01:00	87	2.41%
02:00	9	11	23	10	10	13	7	02:00	83	2.30%
03:00	7	10	11	7	11	14	13	03:00	73	2.02%
04:00	11	10	15	8	10	9	15	04:00	78	2.16%
05:00	11	12	8	9	17	12	17	05:00	86	2.38%
06:00	11	13	14	14	15	12	9	06:00	88	2.44%
07:00	12	19	27	23	28	19	18	07:00	146	4.05%
08:00	19	33	24	22	23	17	19	08:00	157	4.35%
09:00	24	22	20	31	35	30	22	09:00	184	5.10%
10:00	21	45	40	27	35	37	26	10:00	231	6.40%
11:00	26	42	29	29	27	29	24	11:00	206	5.71%
12:00	24	33	29	32	25	41	36	12:00	220	6.10%
13:00	13	16	30	25	28	33	20	13:00	165	4.57%
14:00	32	27	34	27	29	26	30	14:00	205	5.68%
15:00	33	35	34	29	41	23	17	15:00	212	5.88%
16:00	16	20	30	31	24	20	31	16:00	172	4.77%
17:00	25	29	26	31	31	41	32	17:00	215	5.96%
18:00	32	21	24	27	27	33	17	18:00	181	5.02%
19:00	22	23	25	20	34	23	26	19:00	173	4.80%
20:00	24	20	14	33	26	25	27	20:00	169	4.69%
21:00	24	33	17	20	24	20	26	21:00	164	4.55%
22:00	16	18	18	16	14	27	15	22:00	124	3.44%
23:00	10	10	17	15	14	18	16	23:00	100	2.77%
Total Responses for Day	451	524	534	509	554	540	495	Total	3607	100.00%
% of Responses for Day	7.32%	8.59%	7.49%	6.48%	7.40%	7.59%	7.27%			
% of Responses for Week	12.50%	14.53%	14.80%	14.11%	15.36%	14.97%	13.72%			

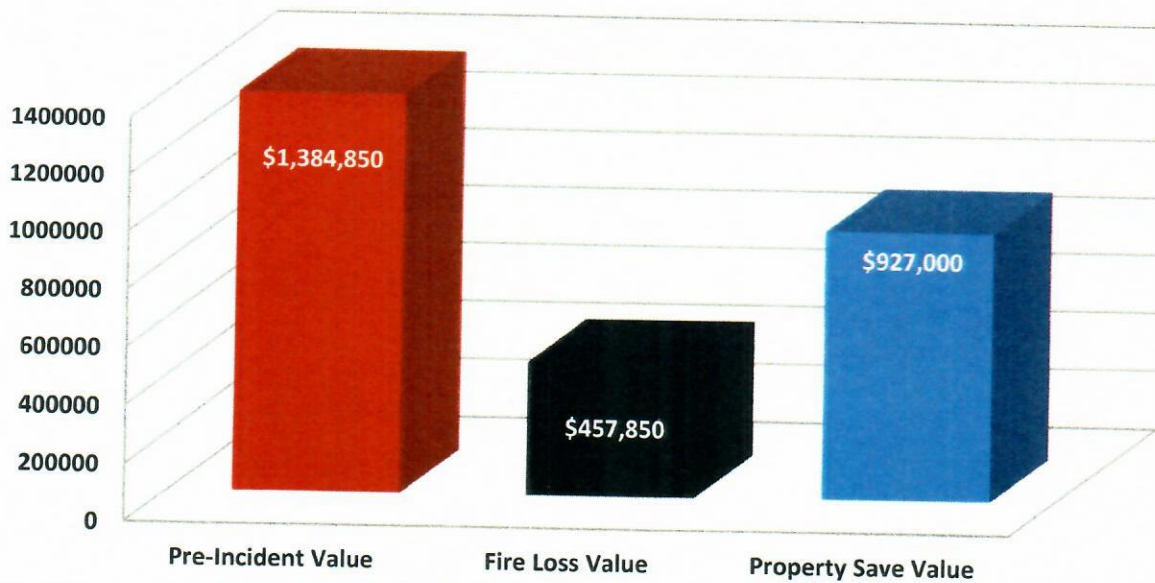


Fire Incident Breakdown

10 Year Fire Loss



Fire Save Value





DEPARTMENT DEMOGRAPHICS

Fire Department Injury Report

Personnel	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Career	8	6	3	3	5	11	6
Volunteer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Location							
Fire Scene	1	1	2	2	3	5	2
Medical Scene	5	3	0	0	0	1	3
Responding to/from Scene	0	0	0	0	0	2	0
Fire Station	2	2	1	1	2	1	0
Training	0		0	0	0	0	1
Other	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	8	6	3	3	5	11	6

Firefighter Injury Site	2019
Head/Neck	0
Shoulder	1
Arm/Elbow/Hand	0
Back/Torso	2
Leg/Knee	1
Exposure (medical)	1

Civilian Injury / Death Report		
	Injury	Death
2011	2	0
2012	2	0
2013	0	0
2014	0	0
2015	1	0
2016	3	0
2017	0	0
2018	0	0
2019	0	0
2019	0	0



Staff Longevity

Fire Administration				
ID	PERSONNEL	RANK	START DATE	DURATION
35	Dennis Thompson	Fire Chief	7/19/1993	27 Years
43	Trent Kleinow	Asst. Chief	7/28/1999	21 Years
111	Alice Wipplinger	Admin Asst	10/15/2007	13 Years

Fire Prevention				
56	George Lewis	Fire Marshal	5/27/1980	40 Years
73	Mike McConnell	Deputy Marshal	11/29/2005	15 Years
A115	Amber Miller (Resigned)	Secretary	6/17/2019	1 Years
A117	Julie Wareham	Secretary	6/28/2020	1 Years

Building Maintenance				
	Kelly Claudson		10/9/1986	34 Years



Career Shift Personnel				
A Shift				
ID	PERSONNEL	RANK	START DATE	DURATION
56	Trimble, Jason	Battalion Chief	08/26/2001	19 Years
45	Parsons, Adam	Captain	03/19/2000	21 Years
67	Niles, John	Captain	06/01/2004	16 Years
88	Hensley, Curtis	Lieutenant	2/13/2018	3 Years
74	Bradley, Ted	Firefighter	11/29/2005	15 Years
83	Korkow, Robert	Firefighter	04/24/2007	14 Years
90	Rosenthal, Kris	Firefighter	03/17/2010	11 Years
91	Anthony, Blake (resigned)	Paramedic	2/28/2011	10 12 Years
94	Harpenau, Jesse	Paramedic	01/03/2012	9 Years
98	Bolte, Preston	Paramedic	06/11/2012	8 Years
105	Ambrose, Scott	Firefighter	12/19/2016	4 Years
107	McDonald, Colt (resigned)	Paramedic	09/26/2017	3 Years
116	Schiel, Casey	Firefighter	2/28/2020	1 Years
118	Graves, Matthew	Paramedic	6/14/2020	1 Years
AVERAGE EMPLOYMENT LONGEVITY:				11 Years



Career Shift Personnel				
B Shift				
ID	PERSONNEL	RANK	START DATE	DURATION
15	Heitman, David (Retired)	Battalion Chief	09/29/1979	41 Years
76	Einspahr, James	Battalion Chief	10/31/2006	14 Years
55	Wilson, Justin	Captain	03/30/2001	20 Years
71	Hankla, Jeremy	Captain	01/04/2005	16 Years
89	Thompson, Ryan	Lieutenant	03/12/2010	11 Years
59	Lee, James	Paramedic	03/30/2002	19 Years
79	Mavis, Shayna	Paramedic	04/18/2007	14 Years
87	Layher, Michael	Firefighter	01/09/2008	13 Years
92	Ewald, James	Paramedic	03/01/2011	10 Years
104	Archuletta, Koby	Firefighter	2/1/2016	5 Years
46	Brockmoller, Justin	Firefighter	2/4/2016	5 Years
78	Gentry, Arlee	Firefighter	9/12/2016	4 Years
109	Lehmann, William	Firefighter	11/5/2018	2 Years
115	Barton, Taylor	Firefighter	2/9/2020	1 Years
AVERAGE EMPLOYMENT LONGEVITY:				13 Years



Career Shift Personnel				
C Shift				
ID	PERSONNEL	RANK	START DATE	DURATION
49	Hankla, Jeff	Battalion Chief	03/26/2000	21 Years
26	Everhart, Melvin (Retired)	Captain	10/19/1986	34 Years
69	Etherton, Edward	Captain	08/25/2004	16 Years
37	Miller, Emerald	Captain	01/29/1996	25 Years
44	Staton, Gregory	Lieutenant	03/17/2000	21 Years
53	Rixstine, Dave (Resigned)	Firefighter	11/14/2000	20 Years
80	Thompson, Justin	Firefighter	04/19/2007	14 Years
82	Manning, Clayton	Firefighter	04/22/2007	14 Years
93	Butterfield, Shane	Paramedic	10/31/2011	9 Years
100	Thompson, Derek	Firefighter	12/02/2013	7 Years
102	Enderle, Derek	Firefighter	12/26/2013	7 Years
103	Condon, Jeremy	Paramedic	03/06/2015	6 Years
108	Kleinow, Tyler (Resigned)	Firefighter	11/5/2017	3 Years
114	Roy, Casey	Firefighter	11/8/2018	2 Years
117	Bohlender, Bryce	Firefighter	6/2/2020	1 Years
AVERAGE EMPLOYMENT LONGEVITY:				15 Years



Volunteer Personnel				
Volunteers				
ID	PERSONNEL	RANK	START DATE	DURATION
105	Bristol, Craig	2nd Lt	06/01/1983	37 Years
106	Chada, Ron	2nd Lt	08/01/1983	37 Years
129	Hoeft, Mike	2nd Lt	09/01/1988	32 Years
219	Moses, Scott	SGT	05/01/2000	21 Years
241	Harmon, Matt	SGT	06/01/2004	16 Years
250	Chada, Christopher	SGT	01/01/2010	11 Years
222	Dolan, Doug	VFF	04/01/2001	20 Years
249	Courter, Tom	VFF	07/01/2005	15 Years
280	Gollner, Brian	VFF	12/01/2009	11 Years
286	Robinson, Marshall	VFF	12/01/2009	11 Years
306	Goosey, Matt	VFF	05/01/2014	7 Years
Resigned	Erickson, Josef	VFF	10/01/2014	6 Years
314	Norton, Mike	VFF	11/01/2014	6 Years
316	Gordon, Kalen	VFF	6/1/2016	4 Years
323	Estrada, Brice	VFF	7/1/2018	2 Years
324	Johnston, Josh	VFF	7/2/2018	2 Years
Hired	Schiell, Casey	VFF	10/1/2018	2 Years
Hired	Barton, Taylor	VFF	11/1/2018	2 Years
328	Barnette, Hunter	VFF	10/1/2019	1 Years
329	Contreras, Christina	VFF	10/2/2019	1 Years
331	LaRue, Matt	VFF	10/3/2019	1 Years
330	Curtis, Shandie	VFF	10/3/2019	1 Years
332	Johnson, Travis	VFF	9/1/2020	1 Years
333	Rhoden, Joseph	VFF	9/1/2020	1 Years
334	Simmons, Ted	VFF	9/1/2020	1 Years
335	Gosnell, Justin	VFF	9/1/2020	1 Years
336	Nickerson, Dustin	VFF	9/1/2020	1 Years
337	Contreras, Joel	VFF	9/1/2020	1 Years
AVERAGE LONGEVITY:				9 Years