

OAK BROOK

Fire Department

2018 Annual Report



ISO CLASS 2

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A message from the Chief...

As we reflect back on 2018, I am constantly reminded of the departments commitment and dedication to providing a wide variety of exceptional services throughout the community. We have certainly accomplished a great deal as we continue in our mission of protecting the lives and property of the very citizens and visitors which we have sworn to serve.

From the establishment of our first Citizen's Fire Academy, the training of Tactical EMS paramedics, accepting delivery of our new Special Operations Response Unit, to receiving a new Incident Command vehicle and everything in between, we are an organization that has embraced innovation, cooperation and creativity in meeting the ever changing demands placed upon us in a fiscally responsible manner.

This past year, we have seen many of our members attain necessary training and certifications in a wide variety of disciplines. We have continued to expand on the close relationships and partnerships that have been developed between ourselves and the departments of Oakbrook Terrace and York Center. This unique collaborative effort has improved safety, efficiency and response times.

Our special teams now operate a unique utility vehicle designed to provide the ability to quickly deploy the equipment necessary to mitigate incidents involving water rescues, hazardous material spills and technical rescues. We purchased a new cardiac monitor/defibrillator used by our paramedics and several new automated external defibrillators. A new ambulance was ordered and is expected to see service in the first quarter of 2019. To complement our readiness toward potential threats of violence and active shooters, the department complemented our inventory of body armor with the purchase of ballistic helmets. Lastly, and most notably, the department with the funding assistance of the Village Board and our Foreign Fire Tax Board purchased a second set of necessary protective firefighting gear for all members.

Together, as we move into an exciting 2019, I look forward to even greater accomplishments. We will embark on conducting our second Citizen's Fire Academy, embracing computer technology and using it to our advantage in streamlining our operation in a cost effective manner and improve on the existing collaborative efforts between our neighbors of Oakbrook Terrace and York Center.

All of this and much more is ahead. On behalf of our entire fire department, its members and staff, our thanks go out to the residential community, elected officials and business partners for their continued support and input that have enabled us to provide a high degree of Fire and Emergency Medical services.

Sincerely,

Barry J. Liss

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Fire Chief

Oak Brook Fire Department

Mission Statement

The mission of the Oak Brook Fire Department is to provide multidiscipline professional services in the areas of fire, rescue and emergency medicine dedicated to exceeding the evolving needs of our community.

Values

The Oak Brook Fire Department is dedicated to serve and protect each person with an appreciation of their diversity and identity. The Oak Brook Fire Department has a common set of values that all members strive to express through their work and personal contact with others. These values are the cornerstone of all actions and decisions by our personnel, who are our most important asset.

Vision

*We proudly serve the changing needs of our community by providing the highest quality services **with...***

O *utstanding Service*

A *ccountability*

K *nowledge*

B *enevolence*

R *espect*

O *pen Mindedness*

O *bjectivity*

K *indness*

F *oresight*

I *nnovation*



The Oak Brook Fire Department pledges a commitment to preserving the quality of life. We protect lives, property and the environment with compassion, vigilance and the utmost dedication.

R*esponsibility*

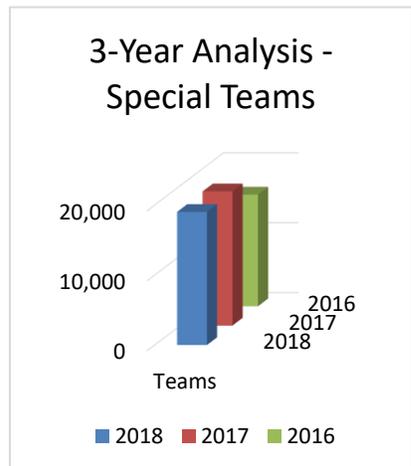
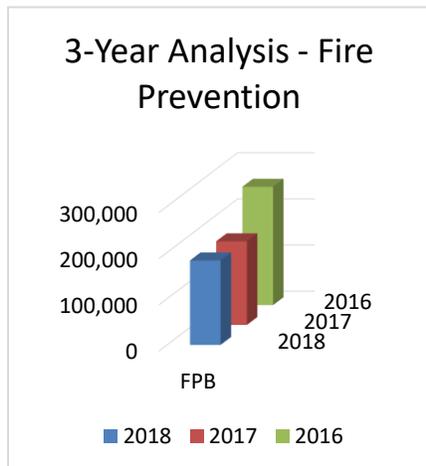
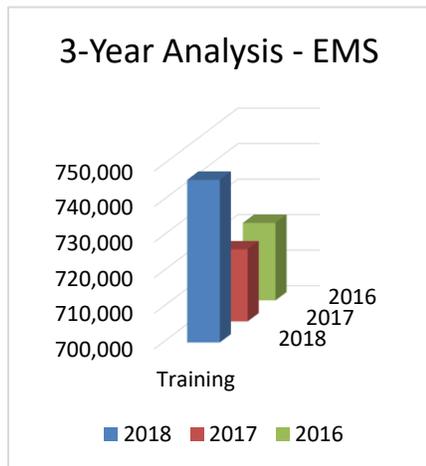
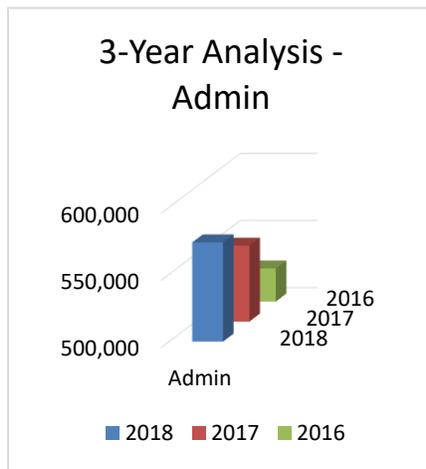
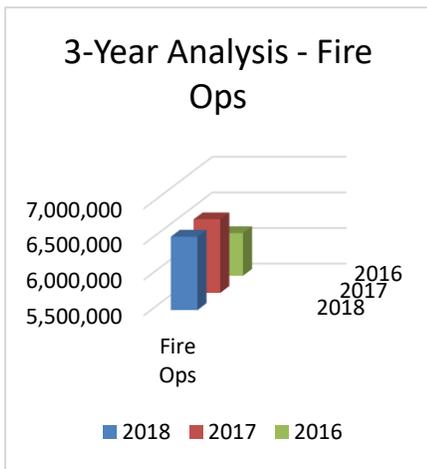
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FY18 BUDGET

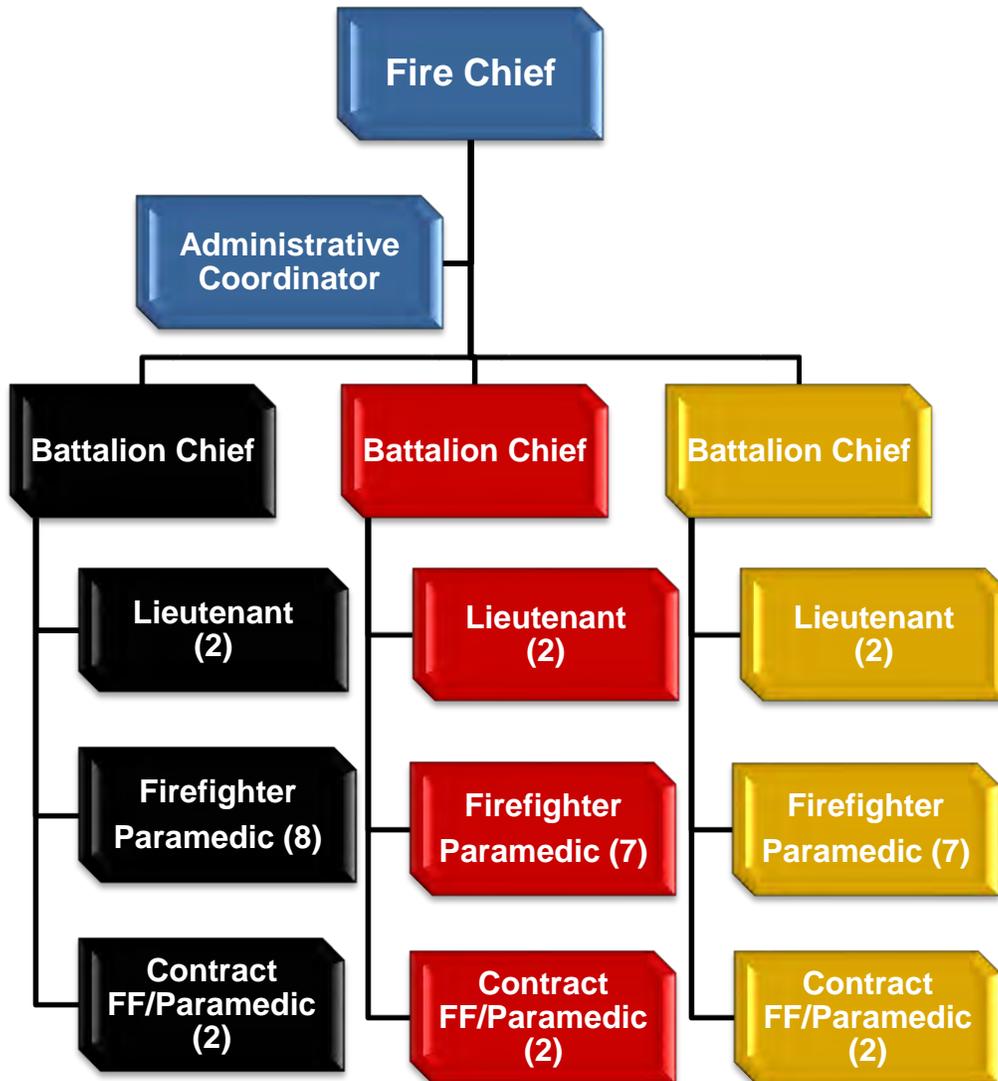
| Program | Operating Budget | Division |
|---------|--|-------------|
| 700 | Fire Department Operations | \$6,530,530 |
| 711 | Fire Administration | \$573,825 |
| 722 | Special Teams (Dive, Hazardous Materials, Technical Rescue, Fire Investigations) | \$19,020 |
| 723 | Training | \$47,415 |
| 731 | Emergency Medical Services | \$745,735 |
| 741 | Fire Prevention Bureau | \$182,840 |

Program Budget Breakdown

| | 700 | 711 | 722 | 723 | 731 | 741 |
|----------------------------------|-------------|-----------|----------|----------|-----------|-----------|
| Personnel | \$6,109,140 | \$357,870 | 0 | \$45,490 | \$37,815 | \$166,075 |
| Materials and Supplies | \$46,755 | \$5,645 | \$10,605 | \$1,925 | \$19,990 | \$9,965 |
| Operation and Contractual | \$279,110 | \$200,310 | \$8,415 | 0 | \$628,230 | \$6,800 |
| Capital | \$95,525 | \$10,000 | 0 | 0 | \$59,700 | 0 |



ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



32 Sworn Personnel

22 Firefighter Paramedics

6 Lieutenants

3 Battalion Chiefs

1 Fire Chief

7 Civilian Personnel

1 Administrative Coordinator

6 Contract FF/Paramedics

ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



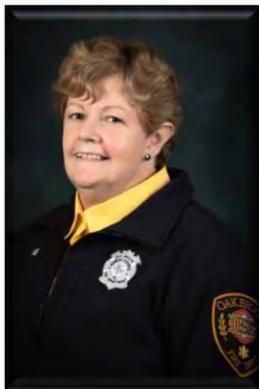
19 Part Time Positions-Staffed From Full Time Personnel

- 1 Administrative Assistant
- 1 EMS Coordinator
- 2 Assistant EMS Coordinators
- 1 Fire Marshal
- 10 Fire Prevention Inspectors
- 1 Training Officer / Communications Coordinator
- 1 Emergency Operations Coordinator
- 1 Assistant Training Officer / Assistant Communications Coordinator
- 1 Public Educator / CPR Coordinator

ADMINISTRATION DIVISION



Barry Liss
Fire Chief
4 Years



Rose Kane
Administrative
Coordinator
1 Year



Rev. Joseph Kovarik
Chaplain
19 Years

MEMBERSHIPS

DuPage County Fire Chiefs Association

Illinois Society of Fire Service Instructors

BLACK SHIFT



Theodore Vassios
Lieutenant
38 Years



Jeffrey Marciniak
Battalion Chief
26 Years



John Fagan
Lieutenant
15 Years



Michael Janney
FF/Paramedic
23 Years



Matthew Bielawa
FF/Paramedic
18 Years



David Kornfeind
FF/Paramedic
15 Years



Robert Ebsen
FF/Paramedic
9 Years



Kyle Matousek
FF/Paramedic
8 Years



Jeffrey Kushner
FF/Paramedic
3 Years



Thomas Sinclair
FF/Paramedic
2 Years



Arthur Romadka
PSI/FF/Paramedic
17 Years

| <u>SPECIAL TEAM MEMBERS</u> | |
|--|--|
| <u>Hazardous Materials</u> Lt. John Fagan FF/PM Michael Janney FF/PM Robert Ebsen | <u>Water Rescue (Dive)</u> Lt. John Fagan |
| <u>Technical Rescue</u> FF/PM Matthew Bielawa FF/PM Kyle Matousek | <u>Fire Investigator</u> Lt. John Fagan |



Nick Charlton
PSI/FF Paramedic
1 Year

RED SHIFT



Michael Pavlovic
Lieutenant
19 Years



Kevin Fleege
Battalion Chief
18 Years



David Kaczmarczyk
Lieutenant
13 Years



Shawn Swagler
FF/Paramedic
25 Years



Michelle Ruska
FF/Paramedic
18 Years



Sean Kelly
FF/Paramedic
13 Years



Robert Micek, Jr.
FF/Paramedic
11 Years



Nicholas Babcock
FF/Paramedic
10 Years



Jacob Arzer
FF/Paramedic
6 Years



Gino Picciola
FF/Paramedic
4 Years



Connor Doran
FF/Paramedic
4 Years



Mark Guerrieri
PSI FF/Paramedic
18 Years

SPECIAL TEAM MEMBERS

Hazardous Materials
B/C Kevin Fleege
FF/PM Michelle Ruska
FF/PM Gino Picciola
FF/PM Jacob Arzer

Water Rescue (Dive)
FF/PM Shawn Swagler
FF/PM Sean Kelly
FF/PM Nicholas Babcock

Technical Rescue
Lt. David Kaczmarczyk
FF/PM Shawn Swagler

Honor Guard
Lt. David Kaczmarczyk
FF/PM Sean Kelly



Andrew Maka
PSI FF/Paramedic
3 Years

GOLD SHIFT



Brian Bitterlin
Lieutenant
23 Years



Gary Clark
Battalion Chief
26 Years



Michael Erickson
Lieutenant
18 Years



David Corkey
FF/Paramedic
19 Years



Glen Washington
FF/Paramedic
18 Years



Marc Johnson
FF/Paramedic
14 Years



Daniel Meyers
FF/Paramedic
12 Years



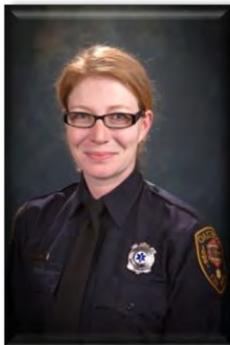
William Nyhanna
FF/Paramedic
11 Years



Zachery Busse
FF/Paramedic
5 Years



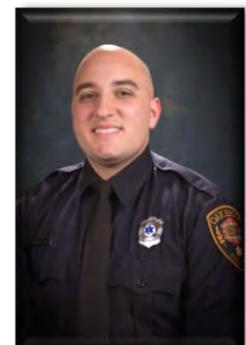
Sarie Turner
FF/Paramedic
4 Years



Danielle Ryan
PSI FF/Paramedic
13 Years

SPECIAL TEAM MEMBERS

| | |
|--|---|
| <u>Water Rescue (Dive)</u> Lt. Michael Erickson FF/PM William Nyhanna FF/PM Zackary Busse FF/PM Sarie Turner | <u>Fire Investigator</u> FF/PM Marc Johnson |
| <u>Technical Rescue</u> FF/PM David Corkey FF/PM Daniel Meyers | <u>Hazardous Materials</u> FF/PM Glen Washington |



Nicholas Nitti
PSI FF/Paramedic
4 Years

PERFECT ATTENDANCE

The following employees of the Oak Brook Fire Department are recognized for their perfect attendance and dedication to the Village of Oak Brook throughout 2018.



Matthew Bielawa



John Fagan



Shawn Swagler



UNIT CITATIONS



Gold Shift - October 28, 2018

On Sunday, October 28, 2018, the department responded to an 80-year old male victim of chest pain in the 200 block of 22nd Street. Arriving firefighter/paramedics provided appropriate care and subsequently transported the patient to Elmhurst Hospital. During transport to the hospital, the patient went into cardiac arrest, necessitating aggressive advanced life support with defibrillation. The crew's quick actions resulted in the return of the patient's pulse, blood pressure and spontaneous respirations. This is another example of expert teamwork and skills when dealing with these types of emergency incidents that validates the excellent care we provide and the successful outcomes we witness.

Therefore, in recognition of everyone's efforts and actions; the following personnel are presented with this Unit Citation Award: Lieutenant Michael Erickson and Firefighter/Paramedics Nicholas Babcock, Kyle Matousek and Glen Washington. Job Well Done!

Gold Shift - January 14, 2018

On Sunday, January 14, 2018, the department responded to a 70-year old male victim of a cardiac arrest on Royal Vale Drive. First arriving police officers initiated cardio-pulmonary resuscitation, applied their AED and shocked the patient once. Arriving firefighter/paramedics continued aggressive care providing advanced life support and subsequently transporting the patient to Good Samaritan Hospital with the return of a pulse, blood pressure and spontaneous respirations. This is another example of expert teamwork and skills when dealing with these types of emergency incidents that validates the excellent care we provide and the successful outcomes we witness.

Therefore, in recognition of everyone's efforts and actions; the following personnel are presented with this Unit Citation Award: Battalion Chief Gary Clark, Lieutenant John Fagan, Firefighter/Paramedics Kyle Matousek, Daniel Meyers and Paramedic Services of Illinois employees Dale Weber and Daniel Ryan.

Additionally, the department would also like to recognize Police Sergeant Jason Wood, Officers Erica Huff, Kurt Kaleciak, Alyson Kern and Nick Montgomery.



INDIVIDUAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

Firefighter/Paramedic Glen Washington

March 7, 2018 marked the premier of the department's very first Citizen's Fire Academy program. Occurring one evening a week for seven consecutive weeks, the Citizen's Fire Academy provided a unique public educational opportunity. As such, it became the assignment and responsibility of Public Education Officer Glen Washington to establish and coordinate the program, activities and schedules. He faithfully and selflessly executed those duties and responsibilities in a professional, courteous and compassionate manner, bringing positive attention and credit upon the department.

Therefore, in recognition of his work and commitment in **coordinating the Citizen's Fire Academy program**, this *Individual Recognition Award* is presented. Congratulations and thank you.



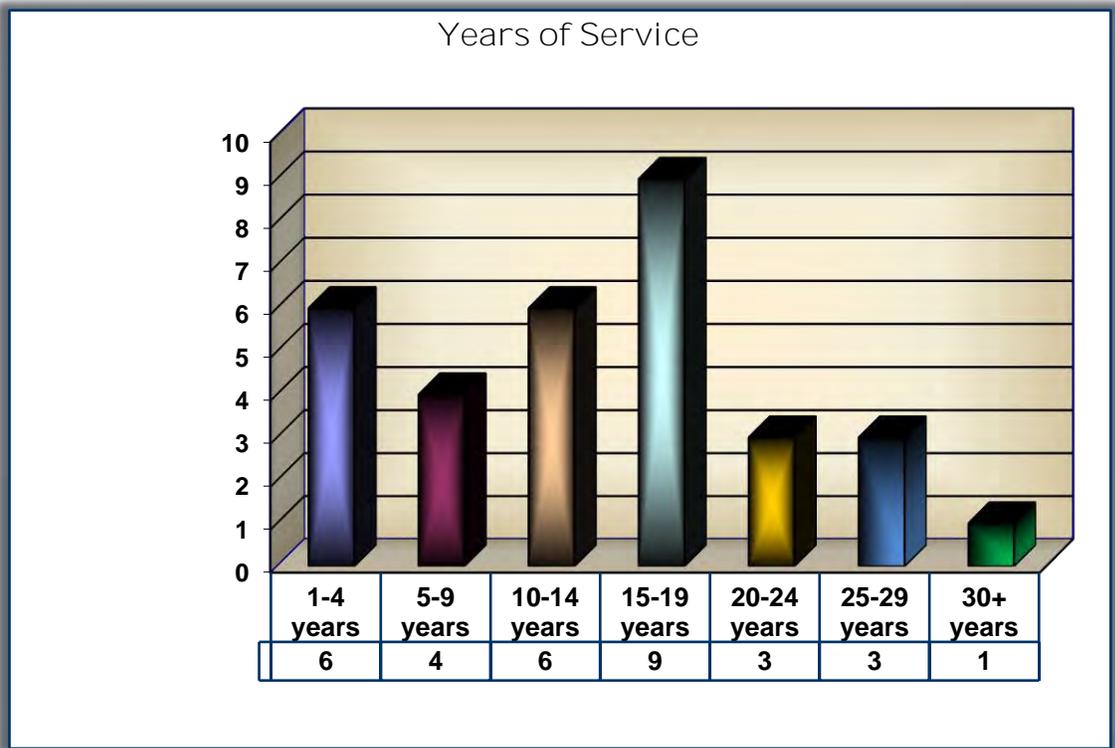
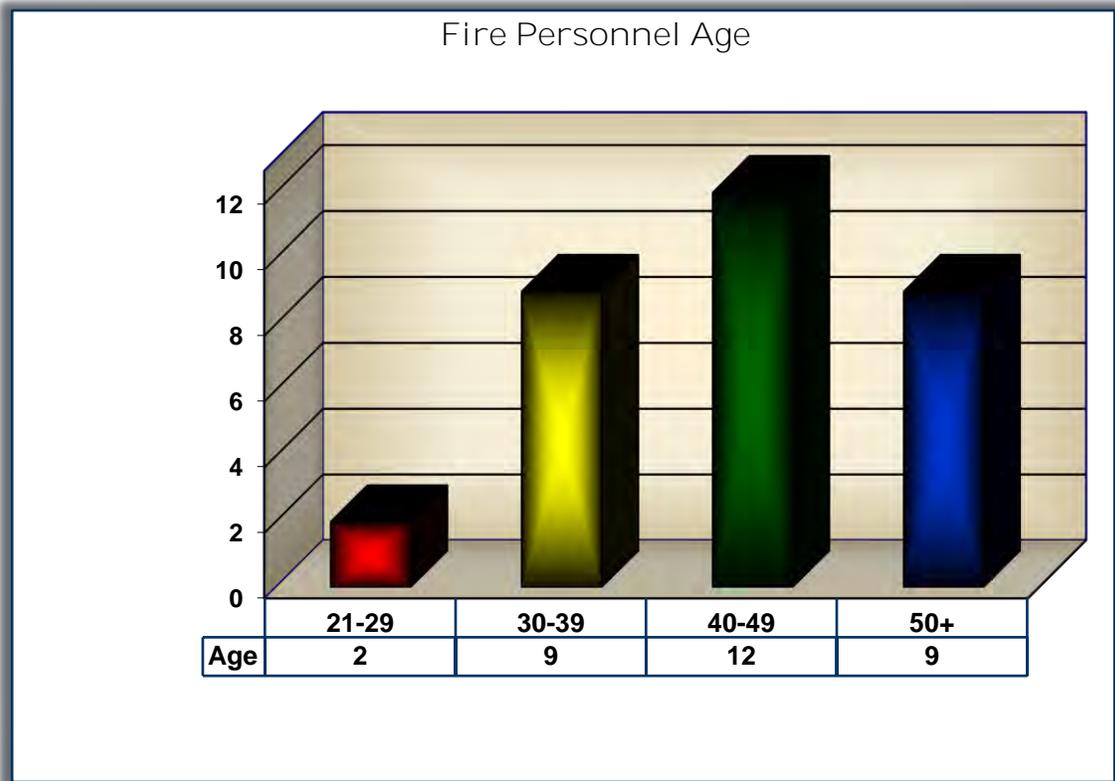
Firefighter/Paramedic Zackary Busse

Through his own initiative, inspiring and tireless efforts, Firefighter Busse single-handedly helped to re-establish the department's involvement and participation in this year's Muscular Dystrophy Association's "Fill-The-Boot" annual fund raising effort. Having no prior experience and little assistance, his individual effort in coordinating and managing the entire fund raising process clearly led to its overall success, having surpassed all initial goals and expectations. The funds generated by this effort will ultimately help toward the fight to find a cure against Muscular Dystrophy.

Therefore, in recognition of his effort and commitment in seeing this project through its completion, this *Individual Recognition Award* is presented.



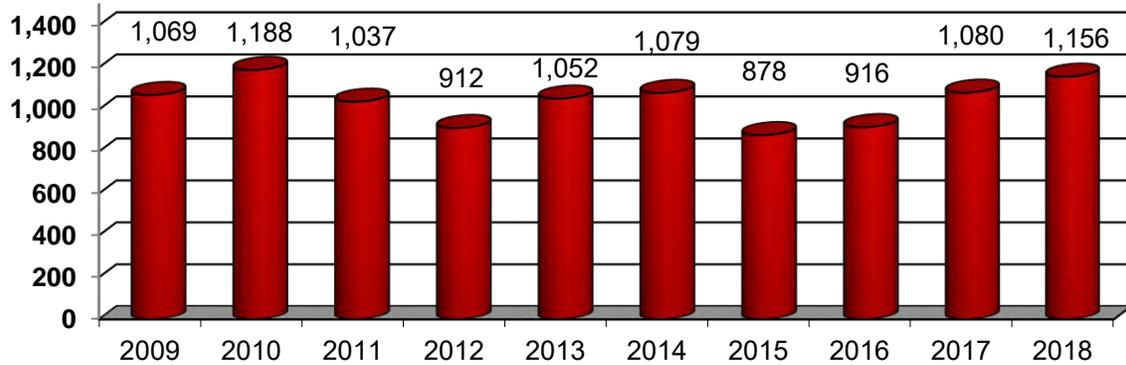
PERSONNEL DEMOGRAPHICS



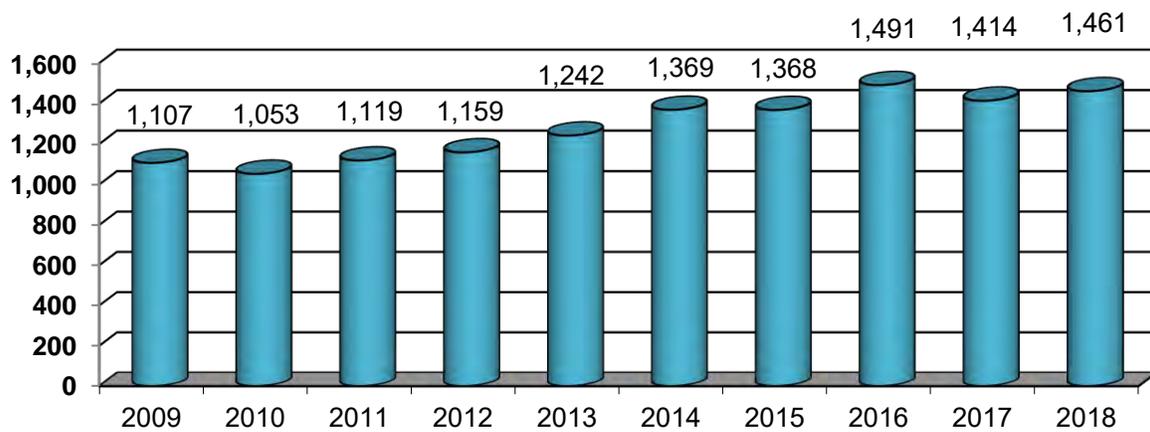
DEPARTMENT RESPONSES

10 YEAR CALL VOLUME

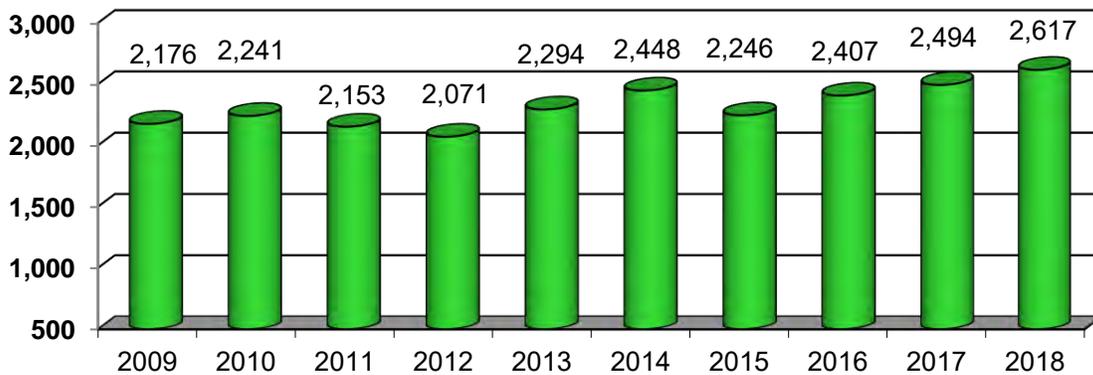
Fire Responses



EMS Responses

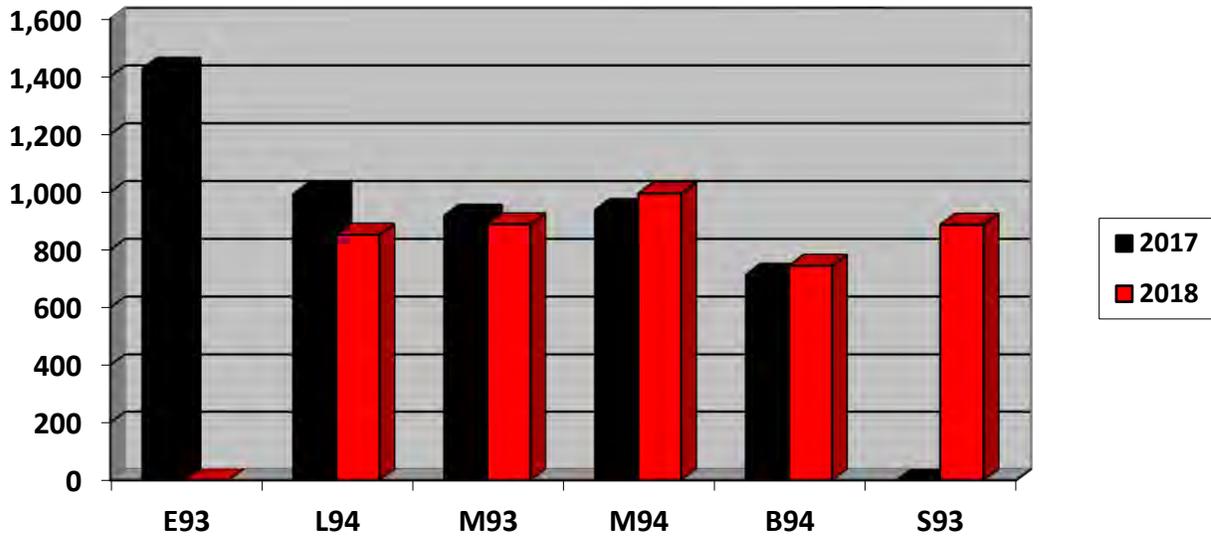


Total Responses



RESPONSE BREAKDOWN BY VEHICLE

| | 2017 | 2018 |
|--------------|-------|------|
| Engine 93 | 1,427 | N/A |
| Ladder 94 | 993 | 853 |
| Medic 93 | 918 | 889 |
| Medic 94 | 938 | 995 |
| Battalion 94 | 714 | 745 |
| Squad 93 | N/A | 887 |

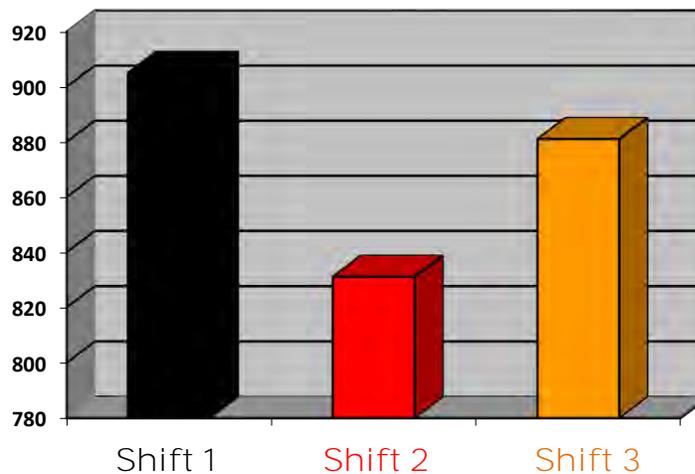


By Station

| | 2017 | 2018 |
|-------------|-------|-------|
| Station #93 | 1,317 | 1,224 |
| Station #94 | 1,177 | 1,393 |
| Totals | 2,494 | 2,617 |

By Shift – 5 Years

| | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 |
|-----------------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Shift 1 (Black) | 806 | 754 | 764 | 884 | 905 |
| Shift 2 (Red) | 811 | 746 | 830 | 799 | 831 |
| Shift 3 (Gold) | 831 | 746 | 813 | 811 | 881 |



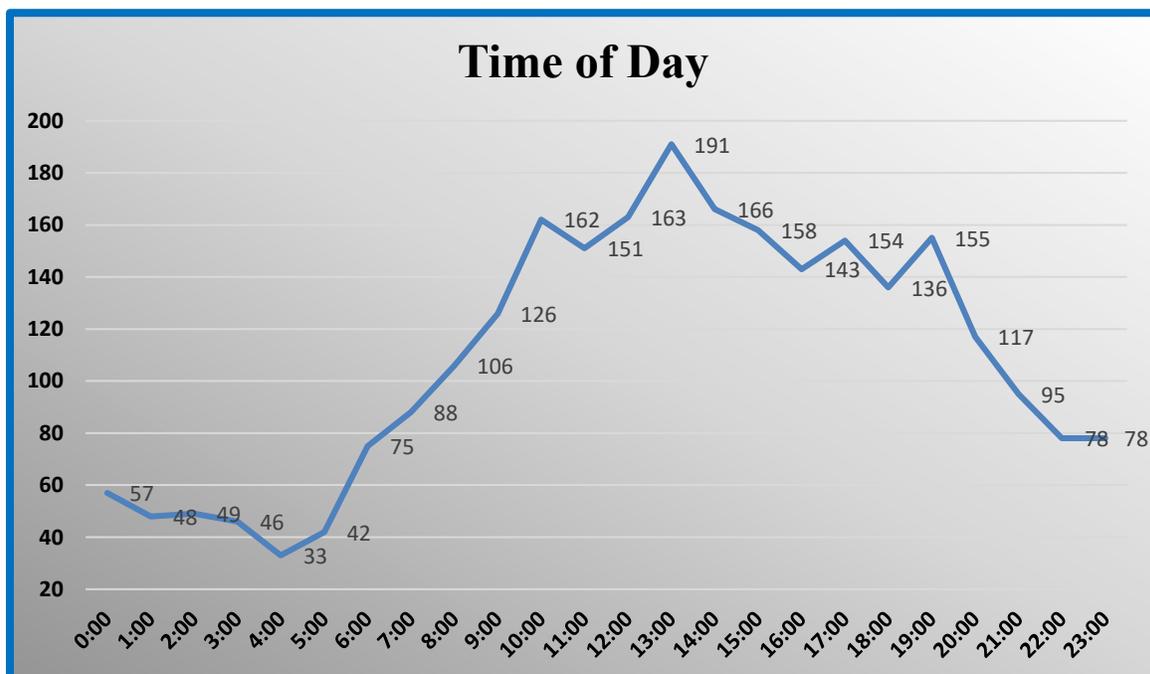
RESPONSES BY DAY OF WEEK

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|--------|--------|---------|-----------|----------|--------|----------|
| 351 | 319 | 393 | 383 | 406 | 391 | 374 |

RESPONSES BY MONTH

| | |
|-----------|-----|
| January | 250 |
| February | 166 |
| March | 169 |
| April | 165 |
| May | 243 |
| June | 268 |
| July | 242 |
| August | 225 |
| September | 219 |
| October | 208 |
| November | 233 |
| December | 229 |

RESPONSES BY TIME OF DAY



STATION 94 – 1200 OAK BROOK ROAD

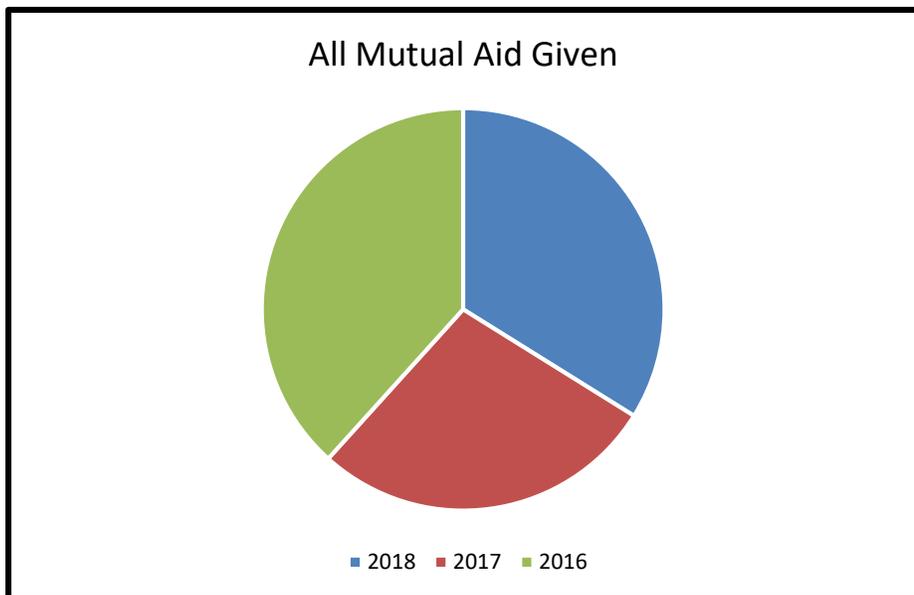


STATION 93 – 723 ENTERPRISE DRIVE



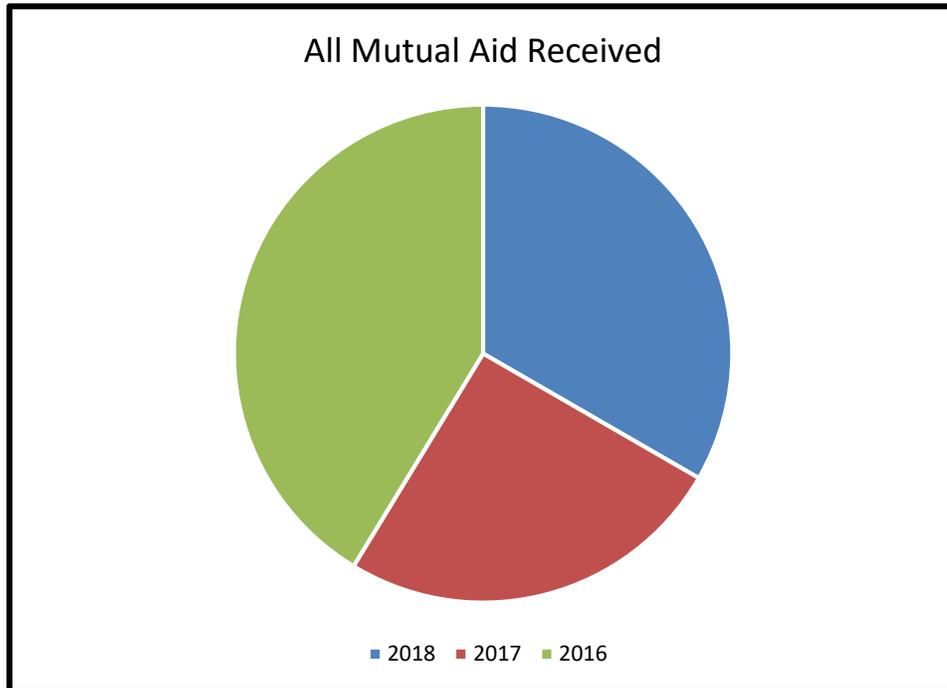
MUTUAL AID GIVEN

| Villages/Towns | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 |
|------------------|------|------|------|
| Addison | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Bensenville | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Berkley | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Bloomingtondale | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Broadview | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Brookfield | 7 | 4 | 3 |
| Carol Stream | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Clarendon Hills | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Downers Grove | 3 | 3 | 1 |
| Elmhurst | 5 | 5 | 5 |
| Forest View | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Glenside | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Glen Ellyn | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Hillside | 5 | 1 | 3 |
| Hinsdale | 6 | 5 | 5 |
| La Grange | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| Lisle-Woodridge | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Lombard | 5 | 3 | 7 |
| Melrose Park | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Oakbrook Terrace | 11 | 10 | 16 |
| Oak Park | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Villa Park | 3 | 0 | 2 |
| Warrenville | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Westchester | 25 | 10 | 17 |
| West Chicago | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| Western Springs | 2 | 3 | 1 |
| Westmont | 10 | 8 | 5 |



MUTUAL AID RECEIVED

| Villages/Towns | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 |
|--------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Bloomingtondale | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Brookfield | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Clarendon Hills | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| Downers Grove | 4 | 1 | 0 |
| Elmhurst | 7 | 5 | 6 |
| Hillside | 4 | 0 | 1 |
| Hinsdale | 9 | 2 | 4 |
| Itasca | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Lisle-Woodridge | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Lombard | 1 | 1 | 3 |
| Oakbrook Terrace | 20 | 25 | 29 |
| Roselle | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Villa Park | 2 | 2 | 6 |
| Westchester | 4 | 0 | 0 |
| West Chicago | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Westmont | 3 | 1 | 5 |
| Winfield | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| York Center | 22 | 14 | 9 |
| ALL MUTUAL AID RECEIVED | 83 | 51 | 67 |



AVERAGE BASELINE RESPONSE TIMES

| Medic 93 | | 2018 |
|---------------------|--|------|
| Turnout Time | | 1:24 |
| Travel Time | | 3:35 |
| Total Response Time | | 4:59 |

| Medic 94 | | 2018 |
|---------------------|--|------|
| Turnout Time | | 1:40 |
| Travel Time | | 4:21 |
| Total Response Time | | 6:01 |

| Ladder 94 | | 2018 |
|---------------------|--|------|
| Turnout Time | | 1:46 |
| Travel Time | | 4:51 |
| Total Response Time | | 6:37 |

| Squad 93 | | 2018 |
|---------------------|--|------|
| Turnout Time | | 1:33 |
| Travel Time | | 4:02 |
| Total Response Time | | 5:35 |

| Battalion 94 | | 2018 |
|---------------------|--|------|
| Turnout Time | | 1:31 |
| Travel Time | | 5:04 |
| Total Response Time | | 6:35 |

| All Units / All Department | | 2018 |
|----------------------------|--|------|
| Turnout Time | | 1:35 |
| Travel Time | | 4:22 |
| Total Response Time | | 5:57 |

Turnout Time: The time stamped and calculated by CAD (Computer Aided Dispatch) between the initial dispatch of an assignment to the report of the first enroute apparatus.

Travel Time: The time stamped and calculated by CAD between the turnout time and the first apparatus reporting on scene.

Total Response Time: The time calculated by CAD between the start of the turnout time and the end of the travel time.

5 YEAR CALL DELINEATION

Fire & Rescue

| | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 |
|----------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Assembly & Education | 93 | 52 | 63 | 80 | 75 |
| Residential | 259 | 209 | 212 | 195 | 216 |
| Business | 144 | 98 | 130 | 106 | 136 |
| Mercantile | 151 | 117 | 117 | 148 | 140 |
| Streets & Highways | 90 | 108 | 105 | 142 | 151 |
| Other Occupancies | 5 | 16 | 3 | 1 | 4 |
| TOTALS | 742 | 600 | 630 | 672 | 722 |

Emergency Medical Services

| | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 |
|----------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Assembly & Education | 163 | 176 | 181 | 165 | 160 |
| Residential | 518 | 533 | 570 | 558 | 571 |
| Business | 159 | 140 | 160 | 149 | 148 |
| Mercantile | 181 | 177 | 195 | 188 | 189 |
| Streets & Highways | 282 | 287 | 316 | 309 | 331 |
| Other Occupancies | 18 | 16 | 10 | 11 | 9 |
| TOTALS | 1,321 | 1,329 | 1,432 | 1,380 | 1,408 |



EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

Emergency Medical Services (EMS) is an important and significant aspect of the daily commitment of the Oak Brook Fire Department. This year, paramedics responded to 1,456 incidents. EMS calls make up 56% of the total call volume of **the department**. **Oak Brook's EMS program provides** properly trained and equipped paramedics to respond to any medical emergency within the Village or surrounding communities.



The department staffs two front-line ambulances with Advanced Life Support (ALS) crews and equipment providing the highest level of pre-hospital care to residents, workers, and visitors. Additionally, our two front-line fire apparatus are paramedic staffed and equipped allowing personnel to assist ambulance crews and deliver ALS care on their own if the ambulances are committed and unavailable and/or transport is otherwise delayed.

Oak Brook's EMS Program operates in accordance with the policies and procedures set forth by the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) and the Good Samaritan Hospital EMS System. IDPH requires that each paramedic complete an average of thirty hours of continuing education each year. Continuing education classes are administered by instructors from Good Samaritan Hospital, as well as fire department members covering a wide range of topics over the course of the year.

2018 Accomplishments

The required paramedic continuing education requirements for 2018 were met by department paramedics.

| Good Samaritan EMS Continuing Education Topics | |
|--|---|
| January | Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder & Crew Resource Management |
| February | Immobilization & Human Trafficking |
| March | Musculoskeletal Trauma |
| April | Summer Injuries |
| May | CPR Recertification |
| June | No Class |
| July | Standard Operating Guideline Revisions |
| August | Case Studies |
| September | Alphabet Soup |
| October | Case Studies / Scope of Practice |
| November | Annual Infection Control Review & Updates |
| December | No Class |

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (Cont.)

| Practical Skills | |
|------------------|---|
| January | Cyanokits |
| February | Zoll X-Series Monitor Operations |
| March | End Tidal CO2 / Capnography |
| April | Intraosseous Infusion |
| May | Cardiology / Auto Pulse / AED |
| June | Surgical & Needle Cricothyroidotomy |
| July | Mass Casualty Incidents |
| August | Chemical & Physical Restraints / Stryker Cot Operations |
| September | Orthopedic Trauma / Traction Splints / Splinting |
| October | Eye Injuries |
| November | No Class |
| December | Childbirth / Neo-Natal Suctioning |

Patient reporting and documentation is now a computer cloud based program utilizing *Image Trend*® software and Apple iPad hardware. This combination of cloud based reporting and portable tablets ensures proper streamlined and accurate patient reporting.



A new Zoll X Series® Cardiac Monitor was purchased to replace an older monitor. With this purchase, all existing monitors are now identical. These monitors give paramedics **the ability to monitor a patient's** heart rhythm, oxygen saturation, blood pressure and carbon dioxide levels. They also allow paramedics to initiate pacing, cardioversions and/or defibrillation of **a patient's heart** when necessary. 12-Lead electro-cardiograms can also be done on scene, providing a quicker field diagnosis if the patient is having a heart attack.

In February, four new Cardiac Science® Powerheart G5 Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs) were purchased to continue the replacement of older models carried and positioned in the police department and other Village owned facilities. Currently, 35 AED units are maintained and operated by the Village. These new G5 AEDs are not only smaller and lighter, but smarter than the previous model. They operate with the current American Heart Association Guidelines for Resuscitation and Emergency Cardiac Care and have the ability to give instructions in either English or Spanish.

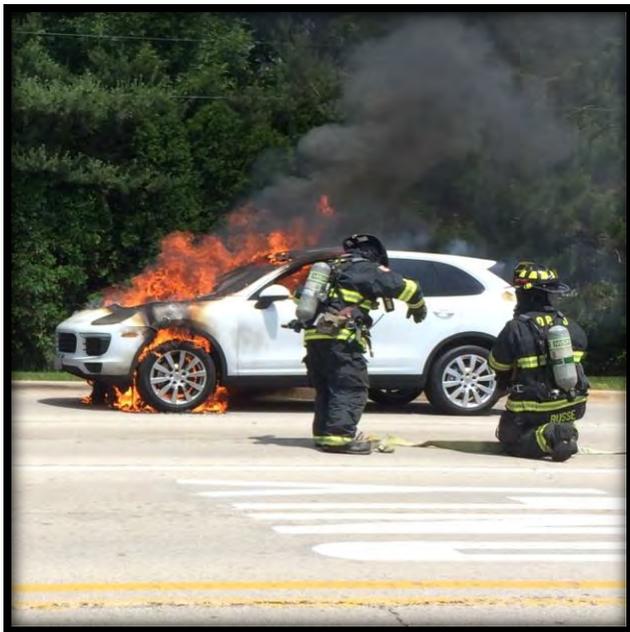


FIRE SUPPRESSION

The Suppression Division has the overall responsibility to provide prompt and efficient emergency responses to fires, hazardous conditions, rescues, general service calls, medical and traumatic emergencies and any other conditions where the health, safety and welfare of the public or the environment is compromised or in danger.

Assigned shift personnel work on three rotating 24-hour shifts and respond from two fire stations manning five front line vehicles.

When personnel are not responding to emergencies, they are performing required training, honing their skills, maintaining equipment, inspecting and checking apparatus, performing station cleaning duties, providing informative public education and more.



Proficient and appropriate results require interaction and support with other Village departments, regional businesses and cooperation with neighboring public safety agencies. This type of interface necessitates ongoing pre-incident coordination which is part of the day-to-day activity of the Suppression Division.



2018 MONTHLY TRAINING TOPICS



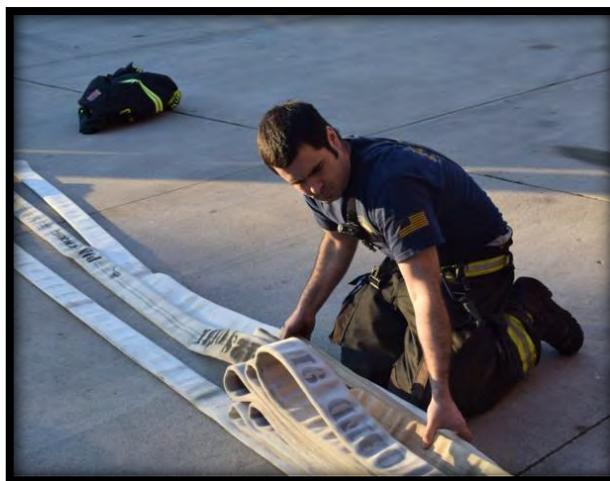
January – Personnel participated in an in-service training on *Target Solutions*[®]. This new software purchased by the department will be used to administer and record all training completed by the department. Members reviewed department policies and pre-plans. The YBT (York Center, Oak Brook and Oakbrook Terrace Consolidation) training for the month was a building familiarization of Drury Lane in Oak Brook Terrace.

February – **To become more familiar with the department's new Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA)**, all personnel participated in donning and doffing drills as well as the SCBA confidence course. Gear and uniform inspections were completed. The YBT group participated in a surface ice rescue drill hosted by York Center. The month ended with a first responder behavioral health lecture given by Sara Gura.

March – Personnel practiced forcible entry techniques on the **department's forcible entry** prop. The department hosted a DuPage County Fire Investigators Task Force training on meth labs which allowed on-duty personnel to attend. YBT training consisted of a walkthrough of one of the many high-rises in our response district. Hand line deployment was the focus of the last drill of the month.

April – First-in company operations at technical rescue incidents was taught by members of the MABAS Division 12 TRT. Annual hydrant testing was conducted in a number of areas. The department and our water department use this time to familiarize and test water pressures and available flow of various hydrants throughout the village. Shift personnel participated in a drill to practice deploying all the various ground ladders carried.

May – Annual fire hose testing was conducted throughout the month. Each individual length of hose requires annual testing without exception. The Division 12 Hazardous materials decon unit was in our station for the month. Crews used the time to familiarize themselves with it. Crews also used the change in weather to get out and walk the Oak Brook Center mall, familiarizing themselves with any recent changes. The month closed out with an extensive in-service training on new Squad 93.



2018 MONTHLY TRAINING TOPICS (Cont.)

June – Both hydrant testing and hose testing were continued and wrapped up during the month of June. Pumping with new Squad 93 was the focus of one of the drills. The annual **“firefighter stand down” week** focused on **firefighter wellness**. A presentation titled **“Taking Action Against Cancer in the Fire Service”** was presented by one of our members who is an instructor for the Illinois Firefighter Cancer Support Network. All shift personnel participated in our annual driving course, which tasks drivers in navigating certain driving challenges found within the village.

July – The month started off with the completion of the Fire Service Vehicle Operators road course by all shift personnel. The YBT training for this month focused on multiple company operations. Annual SCBA mask fit testing was also performed to ensure proper fit of our SCBA masks. The use of extrication equipment was the final training topic of the month.

August – Shift personnel reviewed and participated in the use of Ladder 94’s **aerial device**. The department’s water rescue boat was reviewed and members were able to practice operating the boat at one of the many bodies of water located in Oak Brook. Monthly training between the YBT group consisted of a building walk through hosted by York Center at 3 Lincoln Center. Our final hands-on training for the month involved a review and deployment of our high-rise hose packs.



September – The department was able to use the pool at the Bath and Tennis Club to practice both surface and subsurface water rescue techniques. The second round of both hydrant testing and hose testing were also completed. The department was fortunate to receive permission to train at the McDonald’s Restaurant on 22nd Street, scheduled for demolition. The training focused on first-in company operations and roof ventilation.

October – Shift personnel participated in a combined multi-company training along with other departments from Division 12 hosted by the Elmhurst Fire Department at their training tower. The month concluded with a slope evacuation drill that focused on evacuation of a patient using rope and rope systems carried by our front line fire apparatus.

2018 MONTHLY TRAINING TOPICS (Cont.)

November – **The department's Haz Mat Team** coordinator led a training on hazmat metering for all members. Our YBT training consisted of a walkthrough of the newly renovated and expanded Christ Church in Oak Brook. The month finished off with the **last round of annual drivers' training** using Ladder 94 and the both medic units.

December – The fourth and final module of Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) training for the year was completed. This SCBA consumption test provides firefighters with an idea of how long their breathing air will last under true working conditions. YBT training was held at the newly constructed Oak Brook Lakes building in York Center's response district. The last week of the year focused on mandatory drill make ups.



FIRE PREVENTION BUREAU



The mission of the Fire Prevention Bureau is to make the Village of Oak Brook a safe place to live, work or visit by reducing the risk of fire and life safety hazards through proactive education and fire code enforcement. The Fire Prevention Bureau conducts annual life safety inspections in occupancies within the community such as all businesses, hotels, mercantile, places of assembly and schools.

In addition to life safety inspections, the Bureau reviews fire alarm and sprinkler plans for not only new construction, but also occupancies undergoing renovation. These plan reviews are not limited to commercial construction and renovation. All new residential occupancies submit and later have their residential sprinkler systems reviewed and inspected as well. The purpose of the plan review and acceptance testing process is to assure that fire alarms and sprinkler systems are designed and installed in accordance with the 2015 International Fire Code, associated NFPA codes and local ordinances as adopted by the Village.

The Fire Prevention Bureau continued to see an increase in the number of commercial sprinkler, commercial fire alarm, cooking fire suppression and residential sprinkler systems submitted for review in 2018. In 2018, plan reviewers, Battalion Chief Kevin Fleege and Lieutenant John Fagan, conducted over 328 such plan reviews. Plan review is a financially self-sustaining service supported by the permit fees paid by businesses and homeowners submitting plans to the Village for review.

These plan reviews are followed by field inspections to confirm the work proceeds according to the approved plans and in accordance with locally adopted code. This year, the Bureau conducted 353 such inspections. Moreover, the Fire **Prevention Bureau's ten** part-time fire inspectors made over 760 visits to various occupancies in Oak Brook, conducting inspections ranging from annual regular inspections, follow-up inspections, fire alarm follow-ups and Knox Box installations.



In 2018 one of our plan reviewers attended a two-day sprinkler plan review session at the Building and Fire Code Academy. Our inspectors frequently attend continuing education classes on topics including, but not limited to, sprinkler systems, plan review and fire inspection considerations.

PUBLIC EDUCATION

Fire Prevention personnel proudly present fire and life safety programs to local schools, churches, businesses and healthcare centers throughout the year. These programs include:

- CPR/AED training with American Heart Association certification
- Business evacuation education along with drills
- Fire safety programs for children K-12
- Fire extinguisher training
- Senior Citizen safety programs
- Citizen's Fire Academy



The Oak Brook Fire Department took great pride and satisfaction in providing the residents of Oak Brook with the first annual Citizen's Fire Academy in the Spring of 2018. Seven Oak Brook residents and employees participated in the 6-week academy which included hands on experience in fire suppression, search and rescue, vehicle extrication, hazardous materials and confined space.



PUBLIC EDUCATION (Cont.)

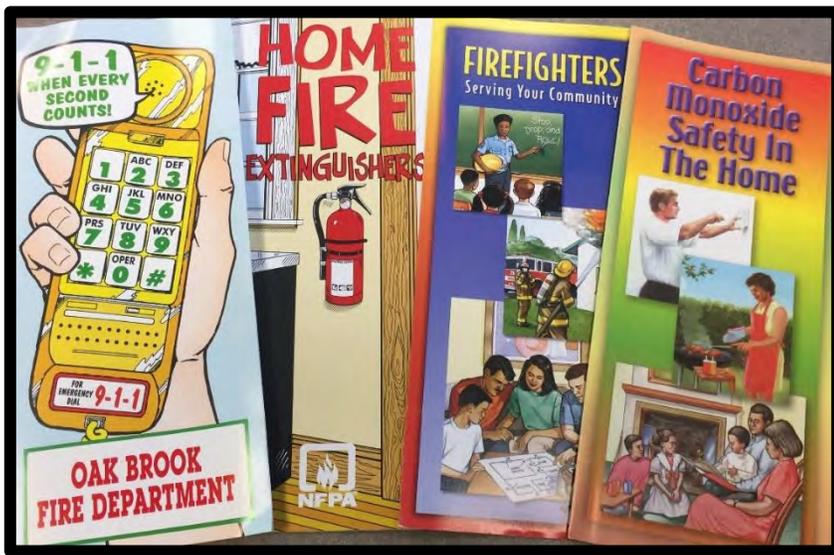
Fire prevention personnel actively participate in numerous annual events locally such as Brook Forest School Exploremore Days, Village of Oak Brook Taking Care of Business Day, Taste of Oak Brook, Athletico CPR Day, Mayslake Peabody Estate Wonders of Winter, Summer Family Fun Fest, Oktoberfest and local parades with surrounding towns.



Through the active promotion of hands on CPR, CPR/AED training, First Aid and Fire extinguisher training, and other public safety education, the department provided public education services to over 21,000 citizens.

The Oak Brook Fire Department proudly participates in the Butler School District 53 silent auction fundraiser; providing a certificate for a ride to school in a fire engine for the child of the highest bidder.





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HAZARDOUS MATERIALS RESPONSE TEAM

The Oak Brook Hazardous Materials Response Team (HAZMAT) works with other fire departments to mitigate hazardous materials incidents in Oak Brook and surrounding communities. Oak Brook is home to several data storage facilities such as Latisys, ADT-TYCO, AT&T, and XO Communications. As part of their operations, these facilities maintain some quantities of chemicals, such as sulfuric acid and lead as part of their battery back-up systems. They are also equipped with sophisticated extinguishing systems which use hazardous materials like heptafluoropropane (FM-200), and pentafluoroethane (HFC-125). The team is responsible for a significant portion of I-88 and I-294. Everyday trucks on these roads haul a variety of hazardous materials. In addition, several major petro-chemical pipelines run underneath Rte. 83. Oak Brook is also home to several high profile companies, such as Kellogg's, the U.S. Census Bureau, and the Joint Commission on Accreditation on Healthcare. These organizations are potential targets for terrorists using biological weapons. Since these types of incidents are high risk, low occurrence events, they require constant training and the latest equipment.



All five members of the team are trained to the Hazardous Materials Technician level. This is the highest level of training recognized by the Illinois Office of the State Fire Marshal. In addition, Lieutenant John Fagan and Firefighter Glen Washington are trained in the operation of the Radiological Isotope Identification Device (RIID). This sophisticated device can identify radioactive material such as plutonium. Lieutenant Fagan also serves as a MABAS Division 12 HAZMAT Specialist. HAZMAT Specialists respond to incidents and advise

command staff as to what resources may be necessary to manage the hazardous material. Firefighters Glen Washington and Dan Meyers are on the Illinois State Deployment Roster as HAZMAT Technicians. In the event of a large scale incident anywhere in the state, they would respond. This year Firefighters Gino Picciola, Glen Washington, and Lieutenant John Fagan joined the Biowatch program as sampling technicians. Biowatch is a federal program that operates sampling stations throughout the country to monitor for bio-terrorist weapons such as **Anthrax. In the event of a positive “hit” on a sampling station, technicians take additional confirmatory samples.**

HAZARDOUS MATERIALS RESPONSE TEAM (Cont.)

- On 1/12/18 the department responded to a flammable liquid spill at a local movie theater caused by a suspect attempting to set themselves, and the theater, on fire.
- On 5/14/18 the department mitigated a chlorine leak in the 1800 block of Swift.
- On 5/31/18 crews responded to a high pressure gas line leak at a large local construction site.
- On 6/26/18 the department responded to a large diesel spill on Interstate 294.
- On 7/13/18 on duty crews mitigated an ammonia leak at a factory in the 1800 block of Swift.
- On 11/30/18 Technicians Fagan and Washington responded to a MABAS 12 call out for **an Ammonia leak in Addison. Thanks to the “spiller pays” ordinance**, the department recovered nearly \$10,000 in personnel and equipment costs related to the mitigation of hazardous material incidents. In addition to the incidents above, the department responded to 13 natural gas leaks, 10 fuel spills, and 9 carbon monoxide leaks.



Currently the department's Hazardous Materials Response Team is well equipped to manage a moderately sized incident. Squad 93 is equipped to decontaminate and clothe up to 50 victims of exposure. It is also equipped to manage nearly any chemical spill, and to detect radiation, corrosive chemicals, flammables, oxidizers and polymerizing chemicals. The department also has the ability to suit out 6 technicians in level A plastic suits.



WATER RESCUE TEAM

The Oak Brook Fire Department Water Rescue Team continues to serve the Village of Oak Brook and MABAS Division 12, which covers much of DuPage County. The team consists of 11 members of the fire department including 2 Lieutenants and 9 Firefighters. The team often trains alongside the rest of the department to ensure all fire department members are ready to assist in case of a water rescue incident. The Water Rescue Team is ready to respond to surface and sub-surface ice incidents, sub-surface “black water” incidents, swift water incidents and calls that would require a watercraft.



During 2018, Oak Brook divers responded to four water rescue incidents in MABAS Division 12. Our Water Rescue Team assisted Villa Park, Lombard and West Chicago this year. Oak Brook also had a water rescue in town when a vehicle went into the pond at 35th & Roslyn.



Training over the past year involved work on all related disciplines at over 35 drills or training events. In-town drills were conducted at the Bath & Tennis Club, **McDonald's** Campus and Brook Forest. During early March, the Water Rescue Team provided safety divers for the Polar Plunge fundraiser for Special Olympics held at the Bath & Tennis Club. Members of the Water Rescue Team enhanced their credentials throughout the year by completing both PADI Open Water courses, swift water training and ERDI courses.

The Oak Brook Fire Department Water Rescue Team is **MABAS Division 12's** largest and most active team. Through consistent training, thorough care of equipment and response to a wide array of emergencies, the Water Rescue Team continues to be a vital asset to the community.

TECHNICAL RESCUE TEAM

In 2018, over 100 hours of training occurred in the four disciplines necessary for our Technical Rescue Team (TRT). Training disciplines include Trench Rescue, Confined Space Rescue, Rope Rescue, and Structural Collapse Rescue.

2018 TRT TRAINING

January
Rope

February
Rope

March
Trench

April
Collapse

May
Rope Rescue

June
Confined Space

July
Trench

August
Confined Space

September
Confined Space

October
Trench

November
Collapse

December
Vertical

The Oak Brook Technical Rescue Team is comprised of the following members:

- ♣ Lt. David Kaczmarczyk (Coordinator)
- ♣ FF/PM Matthew Bielawa
- ♣ FF/PM David Corkey
- ♣ FF/PM Shawn Swagler



The goal of the Fire Investigations Program is to provide an adequate, effective and efficient program directed toward identification of the cause and origins of fires and explosions within the Village of Oak Brook.

Investigations are conducted in conjunction with the Oak Brook Police Department on structure fires within the Village. In addition, Oak Brook Fire Investigators are members of the DuPage County Fire/Arson Investigation Task Force (DCFITF) and assist other communities within the county with investigations. Investigators attend monthly Task Force meetings and training to keep their knowledge and certifications up to date.



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| <p>Fires investigated in 2018:</p> <p>Within Village Limits</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ 7 Vehicle Fires ✓ 1 Residential Structure Fire – Oak Brook Road ✓ 1 Multi-Residential Fire – Oak Brook Club Drive ✓ 3 Outside Brush / Mulch Fires <p>Outside Village Limits – DCFITF Call outs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Bensenville ✓ Carol Stream ✓ Glen Ellyn ✓ Hinsdale ✓ Warrenville ✓ Wheaton |
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2018 Training for members of the DuPage County Fire/Arson Investigation Task Force

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| <i>January</i> | Bensenville K9 Zoe | <i>July</i> | No Class |
| <i>February</i> | Insurance Basics for the Victim | <i>August</i> | No Class |
| <i>March</i> | Meth Labs | <i>September</i> | ATF Presentation |
| <i>April</i> | Investigative Guideline Updates | <i>October</i> | Guideline Reviews/ Updates |
| <i>May</i> | Insurance Fraud | <i>November</i> | Photographing Fire Scenes |
| <i>June</i> | Weather | <i>December</i> | Coroner's Presentation |

HONOR GUARD



The Associated Fire Fighters of Illinois (AFFI) established a statewide Honor Guard in January of 1993. This branch of the AFFI is a group of men and women who do “whatever it takes” to honor a fallen firefighter if they make the ultimate sacrifice while on duty. In 2018, Oak Brook Honor Guard members Lieutenant/Paramedic

Dave Kaczmarczyk, Firefighter/Paramedic Sean Kelly, Firefighter/Paramedic Bill Nyhanna participated in many ceremonies in both Oak Brook and throughout the state. All three members attended a minimum of three separate drills that covered drill and ceremony, flag posting, marching, and casket guard to name a few. These drills prepare participants in the event of a Line of Duty Death (LODD). In addition to responsibilities of the AFFI Honor Guard, these members also take on the task of planning and participating in any ceremonial events within the Village of Oak Brook.

2018 Engagements

All three members attended the Annual Honor Guard Convention in Peoria.

Along with the PD honor guard, members performed casket guard and a final salute at the visitation for the Chairman of the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners Ed Main.

Participated in the LODD services for Buffalo Grove Firefighter/Paramedic John “Kevin” Hauber.
Official AFFI Honor Guard activation.

Members traveled to Colorado Springs, CO and participated in the IAFF Fallen Firefighter’s Memorial weekend.

Along with the Police Department Honor Guard, participated in the Village’s 9/11 ceremony.

The AFFI Honor Guard Oath:

*“To Honor, To Cherish, To Remember, To Salute,
with overwhelming pride, for you my comrade I will”*

AFFILIATE AND SUPPORT AGENCIES

Paramedic



Services of Illinois, Inc.

Since 1989, Paramedic Services of Illinois (PSI) has been providing supportive contractual paramedic/firefighter services to the department. PSI currently provides the department with six (6) paramedics/firefighters distributed over three shifts, operating 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Reflecting nearly 26 years of service, the department and PSI have developed a long and successful relationship.



DuPage Public Safety Communications

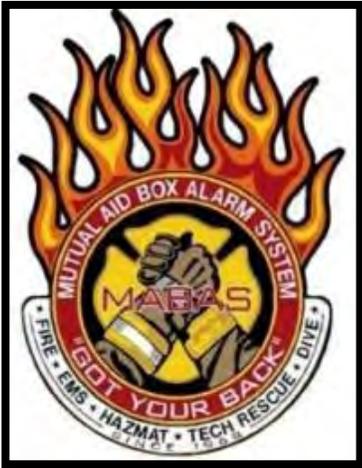
DuPage Public Safety Communications (Du-Comm) is an intergovernmental agency established back in 1975. Providing emergency communications services to police, fire, and emergency medical services, the facility is located in Glendale Heights. This consolidated public safety answering point communications center currently serves forty-one (41) member agencies and over 800,000 residents in DuPage and neighboring counties. Du-Comm receives requests for Police, Fire, and EMS via 45 incoming 9-1-1 lines. In 2018 Du-Comm processed nearly 1 million phone calls and 750,000 police and Fire/EMS incidents. Municipalities and fire districts have worked together to provide a high level of service to their citizens in public safety communications.



Advocate Good Samaritan Hospital Emergency Medical Services System

Advocate Good Samaritan Hospital Emergency Medical Services System (GSEMSS) located in Downers Grove has more than thirty years as an Illinois Department of Public Health approved Resource Hospital. The GSEMSS currently represents seven associate hospitals and 20 EMS municipal departments, fire districts and private providers. GSEMSS has been dedicated to providing high quality pre-hospital education and continuing education for paramedics serving the Village of Oak Brook and the surrounding metropolitan area. GSEMSS is one of four EMS Systems that make up EMS Region 8 within the State of Illinois, covering a large geographic boundary served by the other hospitals of Central DuPage, Edwards and Loyola.

AFFILIATE AND SUPPORT AGENCIES (Cont.)



Mutual Aid Box Alarm System (MABAS)

The Mutual Aid Box Alarm System (MABAS) was established in the late 1960's. By design, it was intended to provide and coordinate an automated, effective and efficient response of mutual aid fire, EMS and specialty team assets and personnel. MABAS is activated during emergencies and disasters in support of any agency faced with an incident that exhausts all of their internal capabilities and available resources. Today, the MABAS organization includes approximately 35,000 of Illinois' 40,000 firefighters who staff emergency response units including more than 1,500 fire stations, 2,495 engine companies, 469 ladder trucks, 1,100 ambulances (mostly paramedic capable), 297 heavy rescue squads, and 788 water tenders. Fire/EMS reserve (back-up) units account for more than 1,000 additional emergency vehicles.

Our Division, Division 12 is comprised of 19 municipal fire departments and fire protection districts located mainly in DuPage County within proximity to Oak Brook. The MABAS 12 radio dispatch center is handled through DuPage Public Safety Communications. Division 12 supports teams specializing in response to hazardous material, water rescue and technical rescue incidents, utilizing a cost effective and consolidated approach. All MABAS Division 12 members meet on a monthly basis, affording an opportunity to strategically plan, discuss and coordinate activities, needs assessment and training. Additionally, MABAS Division 12 agencies participate in multi-agency training, gaining operational familiarization when operating at a large scale event.



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APPRECIATION LETTERS



VILLAGE OF Hinsdale
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April 10, 2018

Chief Barry Liss
Oak Brook Fire Department
1200 Oak Brook Road
Oak Brook, IL 60523

Dear Chief Liss:

On behalf of the Village of Hinsdale Fire Department, please extend to your members our sincere appreciation for their response to our structure fire at 329 E. Sixth Street on Tuesday afternoon, April 11, 2018, at 3:30 pm.

We responded to a 911 call from contractors on the scene of a single-family residence located at 329 East Sixth Street in Hinsdale. This is a historic home, and is believed to be one of the oldest houses in Hinsdale. Contractors, who were doing work on the home earlier in the day, reported that the house was on fire. The damage to this home is significant and extensive. There was no damage to adjacent properties. There were no injuries as a result of this fire, and the family dog was rescued.

With the assistance of our neighboring Departments, the bulk of the fire was contained to the third floor and roof. This was a stubborn fire in a balloon frame structure with void spaces as large as two feet wide.

The homeowner wanted to give special thanks to the salvage that was done to protect personal items as well as priceless antiques.

All Departments that responded did an outstanding job assisting us in the suppression and overhaul of this fire and we would like to thank you all for the hard work at this incident. We would also like to thank those departments that responded to simultaneous calls in our town.

As always, we are there to assist you when you need it, please do not hesitate to call.

Sincerely,

John Giannelli
Fire Chief



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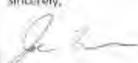
Oak Brook Fire Department
1200 Oak Brook Road
Oak Brook, IL 60523

Dear Chief Liss,

I want to thank you for your Departments' assistance with our Hazardous Material Box Alarm on Friday November 30th. The incident was a product spill of a special ink blend which produced an unsafe level of ammonia. The business owner was unable to produce information as to the level of corrosive or toxic properties.

Hazardous Material Team members initiated a Level A entry to determine if the leak had stopped and the severity of the incident. Additionally, the team performed air monitoring to ensure the atmosphere was safe enough for clean-up. The leak did make it to Salt Creek.

The response by your Department was professional and timely. The Incident Command system was utilized as designed and no issues were encountered. I would like to credit Deputy Chief John Radzinski as Haz-Mat Branch and Chief Ralph DeLuca as his aide for instituting a strong unity of command. This was truly a well-run MABAS 12 response. Thank you again for your dedication to our Division.

Sincerely,

Joseph J. Leone
Fire Chief
Addison Fire Protection District

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Good morning Chief,

I wanted to drop you a quick note to pass on to the company that responded to our incident last night. Your department's drivers were a huge asset to the searches last night for our incident involving a vehicle into a retention pond. We ended up using four rounds of divers to search and remove the vehicle. Your members fit seamlessly into the operation. All of the members who responded from Oak Brook displayed a high level of training, knowledge and skills. The entire company were a complete pleasure to work with.

Please pass along our members' appreciation to your members for the dedication to dive specialty and for all their assistance last night.

Be Safe!

Timothy Leidig | Assistant Fire Chief
West Chicago Fire Protection District



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July 16, 2018

Chief Barry Liss
Oak Brook Fire Department
1200 Oak Brook Rd.
Oak Brook, IL 60523

Dear Chief Liss,

On behalf of the Westmont Fire Department, I would like to thank you for the assistance rendered by your Department on Wednesday, July 4, 2018 for the structure fire located at 515 N. Cass Avenue.

The members of your Department displayed the professionalism, cooperation, and teamwork that best exemplifies the Fire Service today. Because of efforts made by all involved, we were able to safely and successfully extinguish the fire as well as evacuate residents and their pets. Please extend our sincere thanks to your firefighters and officers that responded and provided assistance.

As always, be assured Westmont is ready to assist you and the members of your Department should the need arise.

Sincerely,

Steven Riley
Deputy Fire Chief



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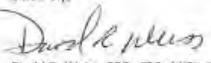
Chief Barry Liss
Oak Brook Fire Department
1200 Oak Brook Rd.
Oak Brook, IL 60523

Dear Chief Barry Liss:

On behalf of the Westmont Fire Department, I wish to express our sincere appreciation for the assistance rendered by your Department on Saturday, January 27, 2018 and Wednesday, January 31, 2018 for the structure fires located at 73 W. Piers and 6707 S. Park Street.

The members of your Department displayed the professionalism, cooperation, and teamwork that best exemplifies the Fire Service today. Because of efforts made by all involved, we were able to safely and successfully control the fires. Please extend our sincere thanks to your firefighters and officers that responded and provided assistance.

As always, be assured Westmont will be ready to assist you and the members of your Department should the need arise.

Sincerely,

David R. Weiss, EFO, CFO, MIFireE
Fire Chief / EMA Director



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