

Wauwatosa Fire Department Annual Report 2019



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Since 1898*





Letter from the Chief



On a daily basis, our personnel serve the City of Wauwatosa in many different ways. Most people picture our days being filled with harrowing fires and complex rescues like you see on TV. While those things do occur, our firefighters are also out representing the department by attending public events, performing fire inspections, and teaching life savings skills such as Hands-Only CPR and Stop the Bleed.

As does every year, 2019 brought with it some unique challenges and opportunities. One of the major issues facing the fire service is firefighter health and wellness. In 2019, more firefighters died from medical issues and suicide than fighting fires. In order to help reduce these unacceptable numbers, we have created a county wide Health & Wellness Committee to drive improvements in cancer prevention, physical fitness, and the wide spectrum of mental health including PTSD.

This report will provide a brief overview of the amazing things our personnel do and the services we provide to our customers. Please take a few minutes to look it over and don't hesitate to let us know how we can serve you better in 2020.

Jim Case
Fire Chief



2019 Highlights

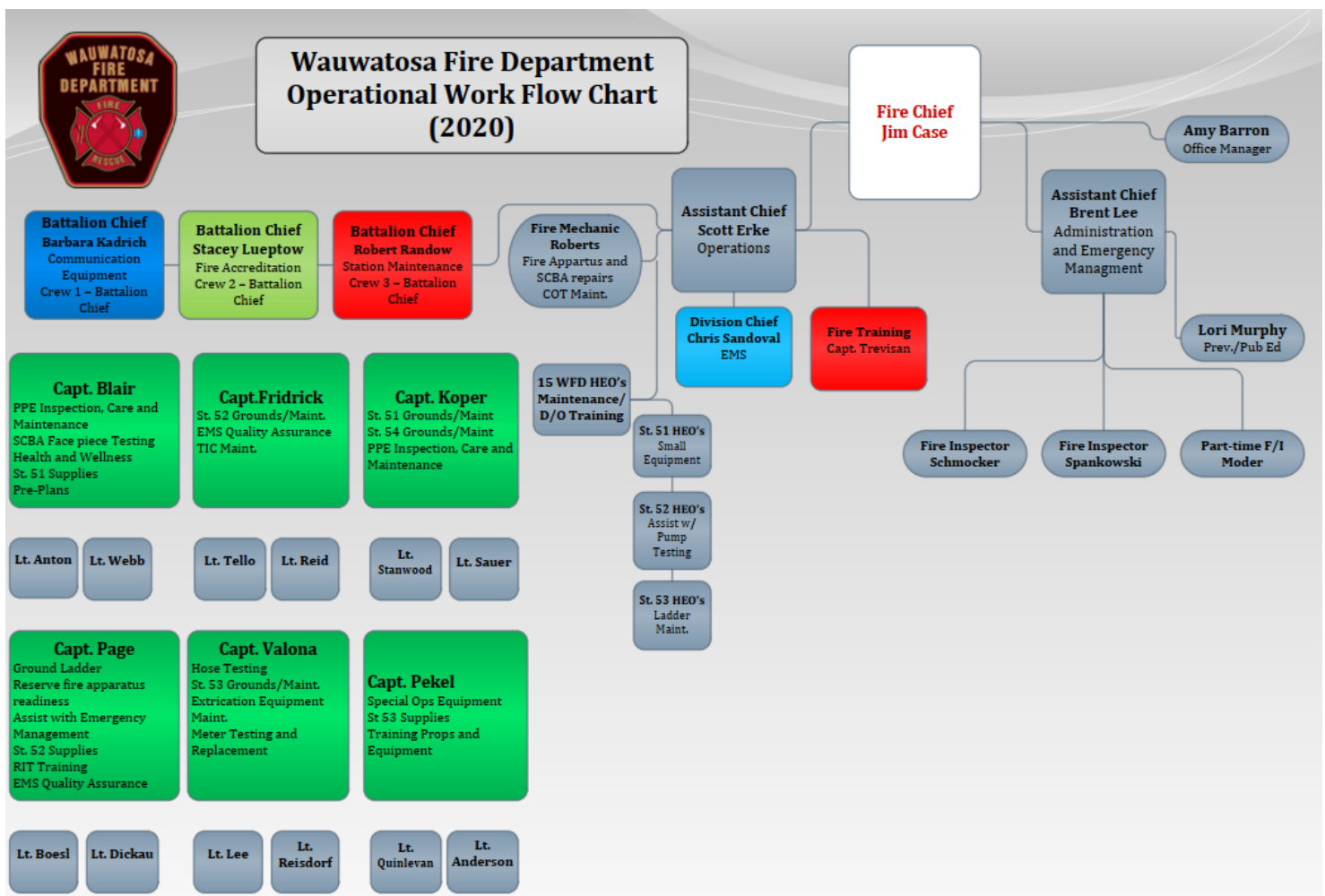
- Celebrated our 121st year of service
- Implementation of Emergency Medical Dispatch (EMD) Software
- Reorganized EMS delivery by placing paramedics and equipment on all apparatus
- Completed a department wide SWOT analysis in preparation for a new strategic plan
- Implemented a collaborative program with the Wauwatosa Health Department to research lift assist only calls
- Expanded the Shared Services program to include Franklin Fire Department
- Relocated and reorganized the City Emergency Operations Center (EOC)
- Implemented an internal wellness committee to address cancer prevention, mental health, and physical wellbeing
- Signed a one year contract extension with Wauwatosa Professional FF L-1923
- Received internal city grant to equip all firefighters with cancer prevention equipment
- Recognized by the Wisconsin Policy Forum for the Shared Services Program
- Assisted the West Allis Fire Department with providing EMS at the Wisconsin State Fair





2019 Staffing

Fire				
Position Description	2018 FTE	2019 Base Positions	2019 FTE	2018-19 Change
Administrative Support Special	1.00	1	1.00	-
Assistant Chief	2.00	2	2.00	-
Battalion Chief	2.00	2	2.00	-
Code Specialist	2.57	2	2.57	-
Deputy Chief	3.00	3	3.00	-
Fire Captain	6.00	6	6.00	-
Fire Chief	1.00	1	1.00	-
Fire Lieutenant	12.00	12	12.00	-
Fire Mechanic	1.00	1	1.00	-
Firefighter	57.00	57	57.00	-
Motor Pump Operator	15.00	15	15.00	-
Office Assistant	1.00	1	1.00	-
TOTAL	103.57	103.00	103.57	-





2019 Adopted Budget

Expenditures

2015 Actual	2016 Actual	2017 Actual	2018 Adopted Budget	2018 Estimated	Acct #	Name	2019 Budget	% of Total
8,262,895	8,634,097	8,801,740	8,872,849	9,199,491	5100	Wages	9,057,548	64.3%
3,646,286	3,837,834	3,877,749	3,960,395	3,960,395	5195	Fringe Benefits	3,981,451	28.3%
221,520	268,711	298,524	357,553	357,553	5500-5520	Internal Charges	336,690	2.4%
575,279	598,631	566,510	617,972	665,310	5200-5900	Operating Expenditures	683,330	4.9%
1,552	-	-	-	18,753	5950-5970	Capital Outlay	1	0.0%
7,554	3,929	13,116	-	-	5980-015	Expend from Donations	-	0.0%
946	8,865	5,014	-	-	5980-050	EMT Grant	-	0.0%
9,263	1,300	-	-	-	5980-120	DOT Mitigation Grant	-	0.0%
-	-	-	95,000	76,247	5980-900	One-Time Levy Reduction S	20,000	0.1%
12,725,295	13,353,367	13,562,653	13,903,769	14,277,749		TOTAL	14,079,020	100.0%

Revenues

2015 Actual	2016 Actual	2017 Actual	2018 Adopted Budget	2018 Estimated	Acct #	Name	2019 Budget	% of Total
33,000	33,000	33,000	33,000	33,000	101-4200	Hotel/Motel Room Tax	33,000	0.2%
173,380	191,321	207,548	190,000	190,000	221-4200	Fire Insurance Tax	200,000	1.4%
-	-	-	-	113,000	231-4215	FEMA-Firefighters Grant	-	0.0%
-	8,673	-	-	-	241-4410	DOT Mitigation - Fire	-	0.0%
946	8,955	5,014	10,000	10,000	241-4435	EMT Grant	10,000	0.1%
5,000	-	-	-	-	241-4900	Other Grants	-	0.0%
30,119	40,243	35,474	35,000	35,000	321-4400	Fire Alarm System	35,000	0.2%
-	-	110	200	200	321-4420	Fireworks	350	0.0%
122,135	124,524	128,639	122,850	125,000	321-4430	Fire Inspection Fees	125,000	0.9%
-	3,095	9,168	-	-	521-4165	Medical Support-Milw SWAT	-	0.0%
25,477	27,437	17,455	22,500	22,500	521-4200	Fire Department Fees	20,000	0.1%
7,350	578	-	-	-	521-4220	Fire Inspection-Undergrd TK	-	0.0%
1,479,393	1,489,397	1,433,113	1,650,000	1,650,000	521-4300-100	Ambulance Fees	1,700,000	12.1%
72,612	60,544	80,892	117,157	117,157	721-4200	County - Paramedics	97,850	0.7%
1,335,043	1,327,754	1,362,785	1,335,043	1,335,043	721-4220	County-Fire Protection SVC	1,392,143	9.9%
-	15,000	30,850	31,364	31,364	821-4121	Cell Tower Revenue	32,304	0.2%
645	15,305	560	-	175	841-4140	Contributions-Fire Dept.	500	0.0%
1,795,337	2,002,703	1,831,314	1,866,523	2,151,894		Unallocated Revenues	2,195,091	15.6%
7,644,858	8,004,838	8,386,731	8,490,132	8,463,416		Tax Levy	8,237,782	58.5%
12,725,295	13,353,367	13,562,653	13,903,769	14,277,749		TOTAL	14,079,020	100.0%



Administrative Staff



Amy Barron
Office Manager



Lori Murphy
Fire Education
Coordinator

The administrative staff is responsible for managing and assisting with customer service, scheduling, budgeting, recruitment, and overall coordination. We often say that Amy and Lori are the glue that holds our department together.





Operations Division



The operations division is managed by Assistant Chief Scott Erke and is focused on the emergency response aspects of our department. This includes Fire Suppression, Emergency Medical Services, and Fleet Services.

Scott Erke

Assistant Chief of Operations



Division Chief
Chris Sandoval
EMS



Battalion Chief
Barb Kadrach
Crew 1



Captain
Kurt Trevisan
Fire Training



Battalion Chief
Stacey Lueptow
Crew 2



Joe Roberts
Fleet Maintenance



Battalion Chief
Bob Randow
Crew 3



2019 Call Statistics



133

Fire Calls

(Building fires, car fires, trash fires)



206

Hazardous Condition Calls

(Gas leaks, wires down, carbon monoxide, all other calls)



370

Motor Vehicle Crashes

6961

Total Calls



1393

Service Calls

(Lift assists, mutual aid, home lock outs)



633

Fire Alarms



4226

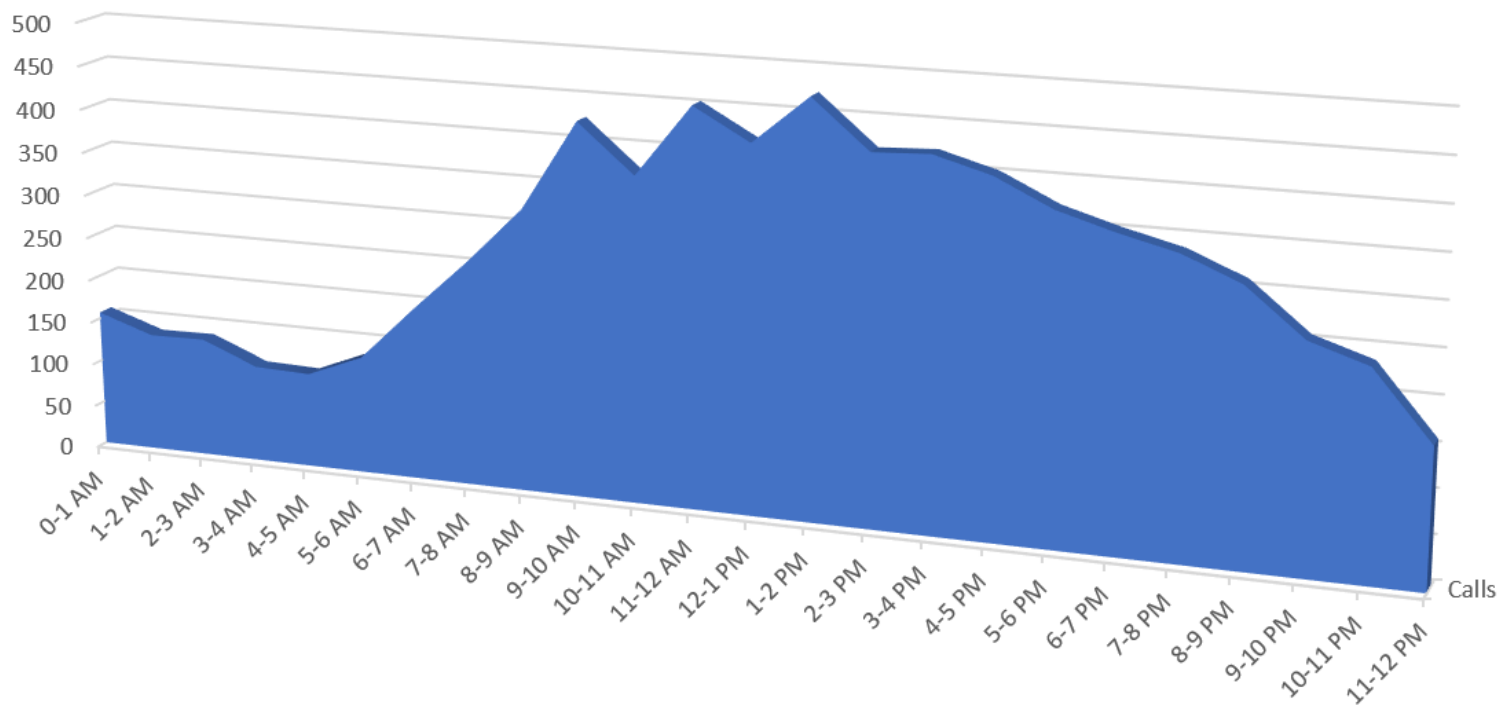
Medical Calls

(All basic and advanced life support responses)

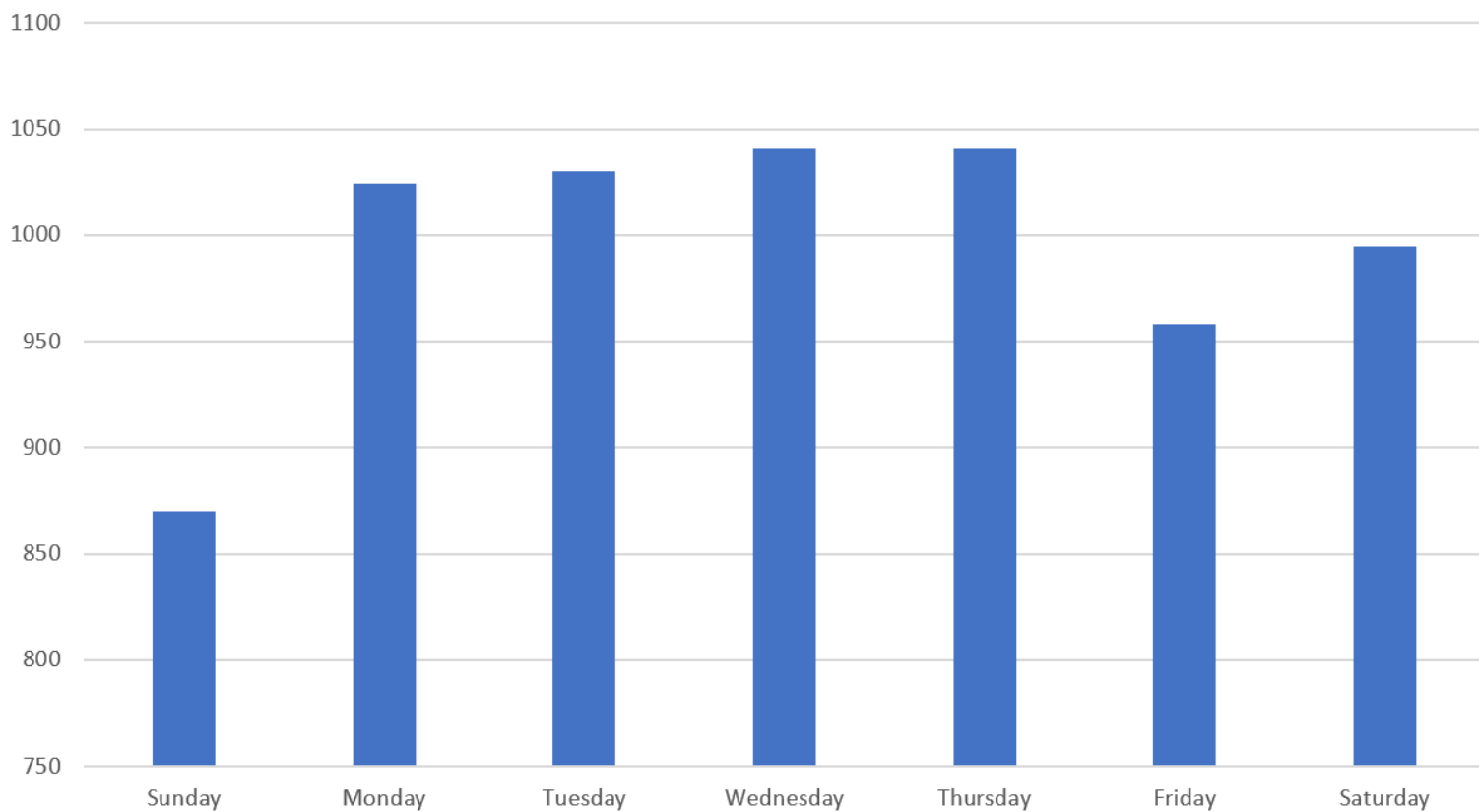


2019 Call Statistics

2019 Calls by Time of Day



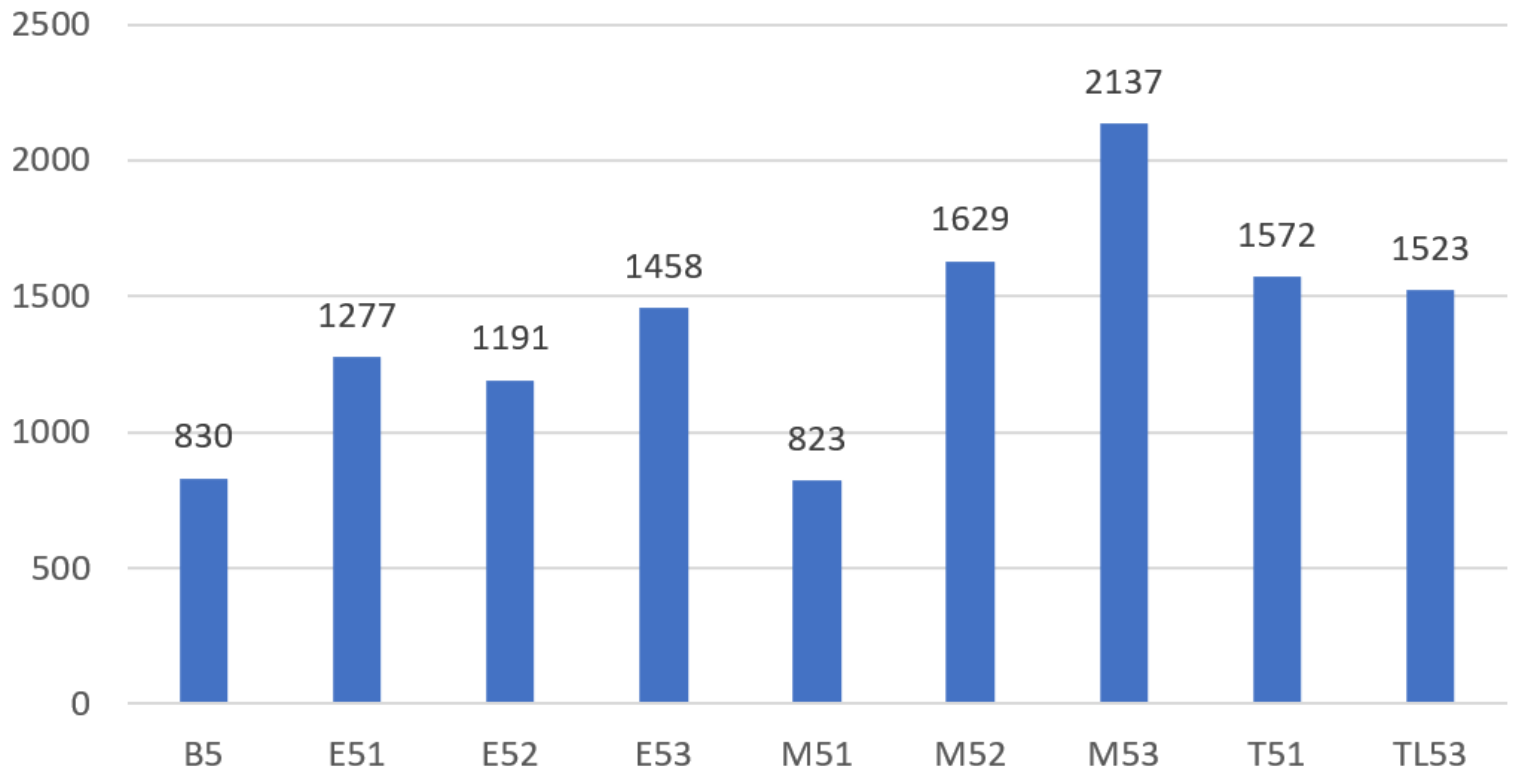
2019 Calls by Day of the Week





2019 Call Statistics

2019 Responses by Unit



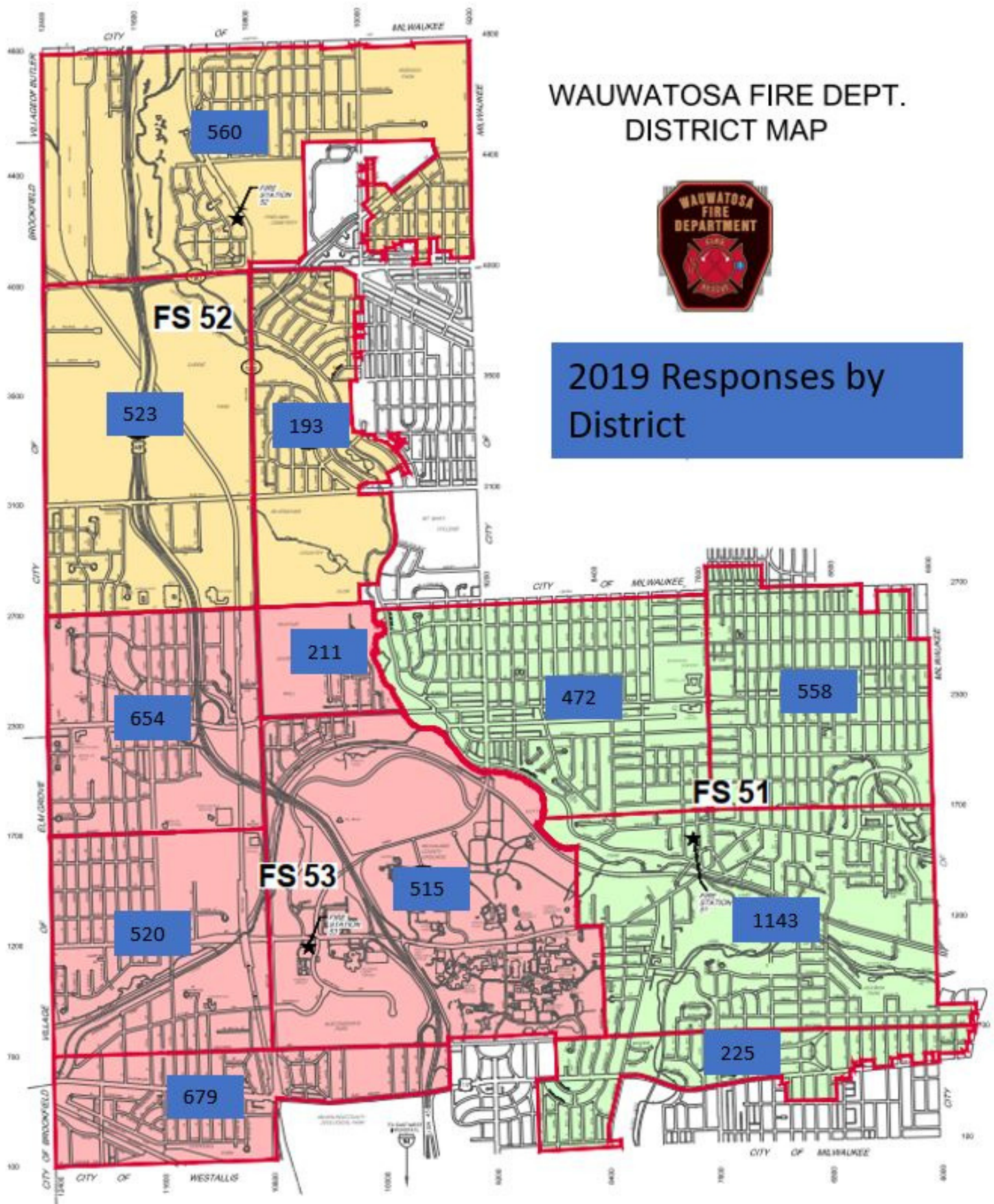


2019 Call Statistics

WAUWATOSA FIRE DEPT. DISTRICT MAP



2019 Responses by District





Bureau of Community Risk Reduction



The CRR division is managed by Assistant Chief Brent Lee and is focused on fire prevention, education, inspection, and community relations.

Brent Lee
Assistant Chief of Administration



Fire Inspector
Dan Schmocker



Fire Inspector
Doug Spankowski



Fire Inspector
Tom Moder



Community Risk Reduction Task Force
of Milwaukee County Fire Departments





2019 Community Risk Reduction

2019 By The Numbers

96 Free Smoke Detectors Installed

3160 Fire Inspections Performed

822 Citizens trained in CPR

129 car seats installed

1,612 citizens enrolled in PulsePoint

48 Block Parties attended





2019 Personnel Actions

PROMOTIONS

Lieutenant Matt Anton

Lieutenant Conor Quinlevan

HEO Jeff Dethloff

RETIREMENTS

Lieutenant Gary Ballmann

Lieutenant Mike Beatty

HEO Marty Purpi

Firefighter Tom Kronschnabl





WFD In Action





Mission Statement

The Wauwatosa Fire Department is dedicated to providing the highest quality customer service. We will protect lives and property through fire protection, emergency medical services, rescue, education, and disaster management. We will treat our customers with compassion and respect and we will strive for excellence in everything we do.

Vision Statement

The Wauwatosa Fire Department is an all hazards public safety organization that exists to keep the community of Wauwatosa safe. We will maintain a high level of preparedness through intense training, strong leadership, and proven strategies applied by high quality personnel. We value a philosophy of lifelong learning and we will embrace best practices.

Core Values

Integrity Respect Honor Courage Commitment