



Harrison Fire Rescue Annual Report



Harrison, WI

2022



“Preserving life and property throughout our entire community with a commitment to service, professionalism, and performance excellence.”



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MESSAGE FROM FIRE CHIEF JARRED GERL



I am pleased to present the Harrison Fire Rescue 2022 Annual Report. Last year, I touched on how technology has taken center stage and helped focus our training due to the rapidly changing developments in technology. The theme revolved around how emergency services need to keep pace, ensuring safety for responders and the people we serve.

It comes with great pride and enthusiasm that I am able to report that the volunteers who make up Harrison Fire Rescue dedicated in excess of 1,949 hours of training in 2022. That number does not include emergency call hours or meetings. Once those factors are figured into the equation, our people have worked over 9,116 hours! Impressive for a volunteer department.

Although the numbers are impressive, it's equally important to understand how we got there. Those hours come from ordinary members within our community who have regular full-time jobs and families. Individuals who believe helping others should be a priority for society and showcase it by volunteering to make a positive impact. People make the difference, and our diverse backgrounds, experience levels, and motivations are what make up our core values and foundational strength.

To maintain our level of service, we rely upon people like you. In 2022, Harrison Fire Rescue set another record by responding to 677 emergency calls. This trend is one we expect to continue. As we look to the future, we should anticipate factors that may play a role in our effectiveness. Specifically, the national trend in a decline of volunteer firefighters. As a proactive organization, we're looking to the future to ensure Harrison Fire Rescue not only has the right training, but more importantly, the right people. Your volunteers want to ensure Harrison Fire Rescue maintains its reputation as a top-notch service provider within the Fox Valley.

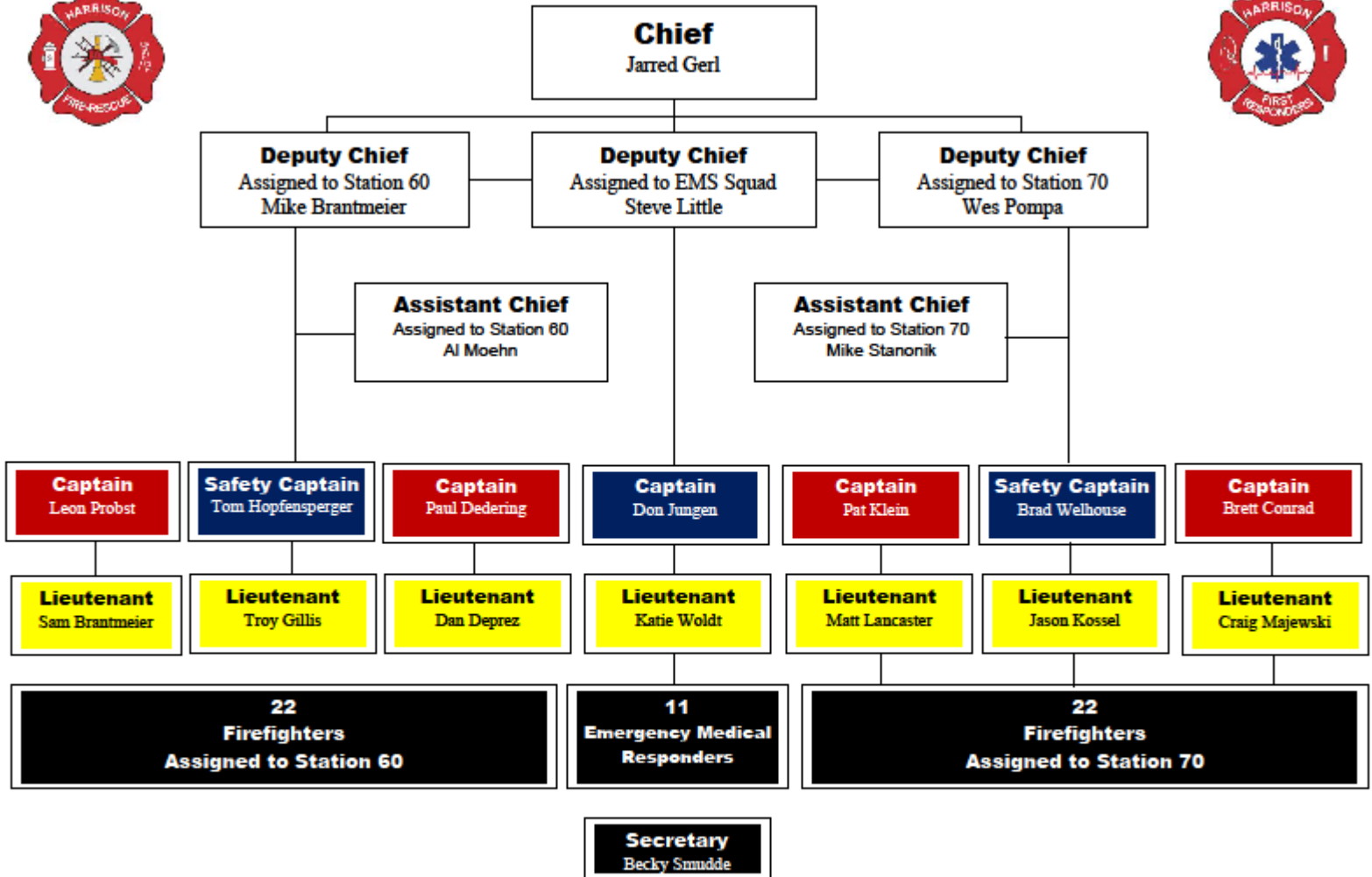
Yours in safety,

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Chief – Harrison Fire Rescue

ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE



* Six members serve in a dual capacity role as both a firefighter and an emergency medical responder.



MISSION, VISION & CORE VALUES



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Mission

Preserving life and property throughout our entire community with a commitment to service, professionalism, and performance excellence.

Vision

Our members will stand ready to respond, pursuing every opportunity to ensure our citizens safety through preparation, dedication, and trust.

Core Values

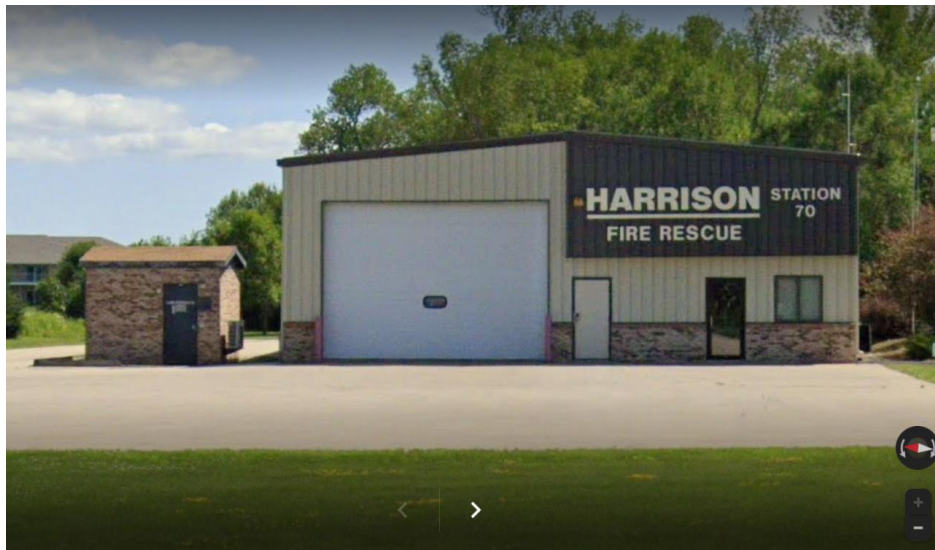
We strive to build trust both within Harrison Fire Rescue and the community we serve. We will earn that trust through:

- Compassion - To be kind and caring to those in their time of need.
- Integrity - To be honest and trustworthy.
- Dedication - To be committed and motivated to continuously pursue excellence.
- Teamwork - To have appreciation and admiration for each other and those we serve.



STATION DETAILS





8714 Lake Park Road
Menasha, WI 54952

STATION 70

Engine 71	2010	Rosenbauer 1500 gpm pump, CAFS, 1,000-gallon tank
Engine 74	1999	Pierce Saber 1250 gpm pump, 1,000-gallon tank
Tender 75	2010	Rosenbauer, 3,000-gallon tank
Utility 76	2019	Ford F250 crew cab
Water Rescue 73	1997	Bluebird bus
Snowmobile 77	2012	Ski-Doo
Snowmobile 78	1991	Arctic Cat



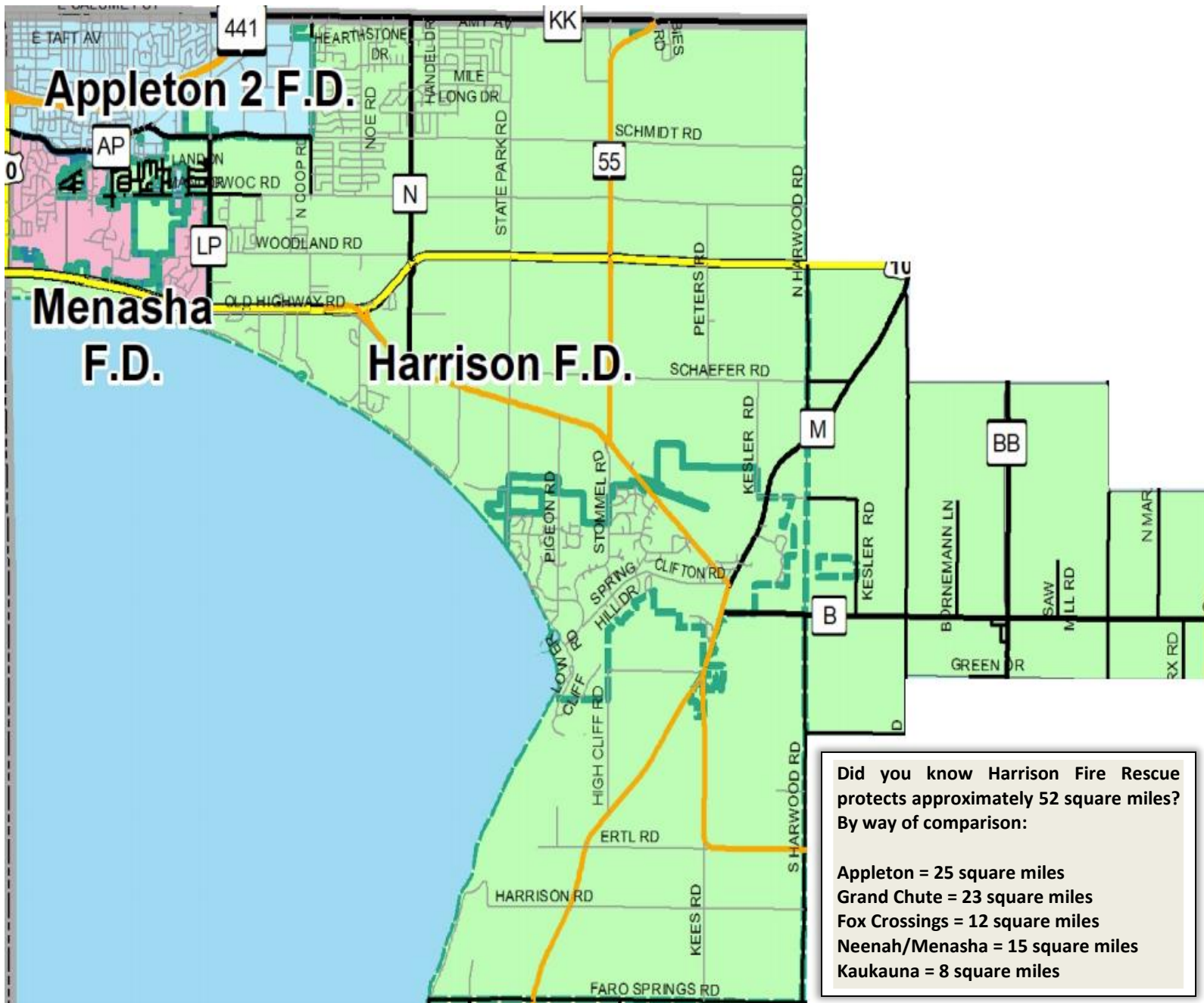
W469 Clifton Rd,
Sherwood, WI 54169

STATION 60

Engine 65	2019	Custom Fire 1500 gpm pump, 1,000-gallon tank
Squad 63	2005	Kenworth Heavy Rescue
Tender 64	2013	Kenworth 3000-gallon tank, 60 gpm pump
Brush Truck 62	2002	Ford F250 crew cab, 100 gpm pump, 100-gallon tank
Ranger 61	2022	Polaris Ranger XP1000 with tracks, 6 gpm pump, 60-gallon tank.



FIRE DISTRICT



ACCOMPLISHMENTS



HIRES / ACHIEVEMENTS / ACCOMPLISHMENTS

2022 HIRES

Michael Lamers – Assigned to Station 70
Silver Nicoll – Assigned to Station 70
Andrew Pawlowski – EMS Squad
Sam Schuhart – EMS Squad
Zane Smith – Assigned to Station 70
Emily Trofka – EMS Squad
Michelle Vandervelden – EMS Squad

PROMOTIONS

Al Moehn – Assistant Chief Assigned to Station 60
Brett Conrad – Captain Assigned to Station 70
Craig Majewski – Lieutenant Assigned to Station 70

RETIREMENTS

Mark Gackenheimer – EMS Squad (22 years of service)
Bebe Valentine – EMS Squad (25 years of service)



STATISTICS & DATA



TRAININGS

Training plays a prominent role in the organization, and our members hold learning in high regard. Our culture values opportunities to enhance individualized comprehension through learned experiences.

In addition to staff meetings, the Department has regularly scheduled training sessions on the first, second, and third Monday of each month. **In 2022, the Department logged over 1,949 hours of drill & practice!**

Firefighting I Basic Skills
Firefighter II Enhanced Skills
Live Burns
Wildland Fires Rapid Intervention Team
Incident Command
Driver Operations
Pump Operations
Low Angle Rope Rescue
High Angle Rope Rescue
Water Rescue
Ice Rescue
Farm Safety & Hazards
Hazardous Materials Response
Grain Bin Rescue
Specialized Rescue
Alternative Fuel / Hybrid Cars
Emergency Medical Training
Mass Casualty
Hydraulic Jaws Extrication
Active Shooter Training
Outside Speakers

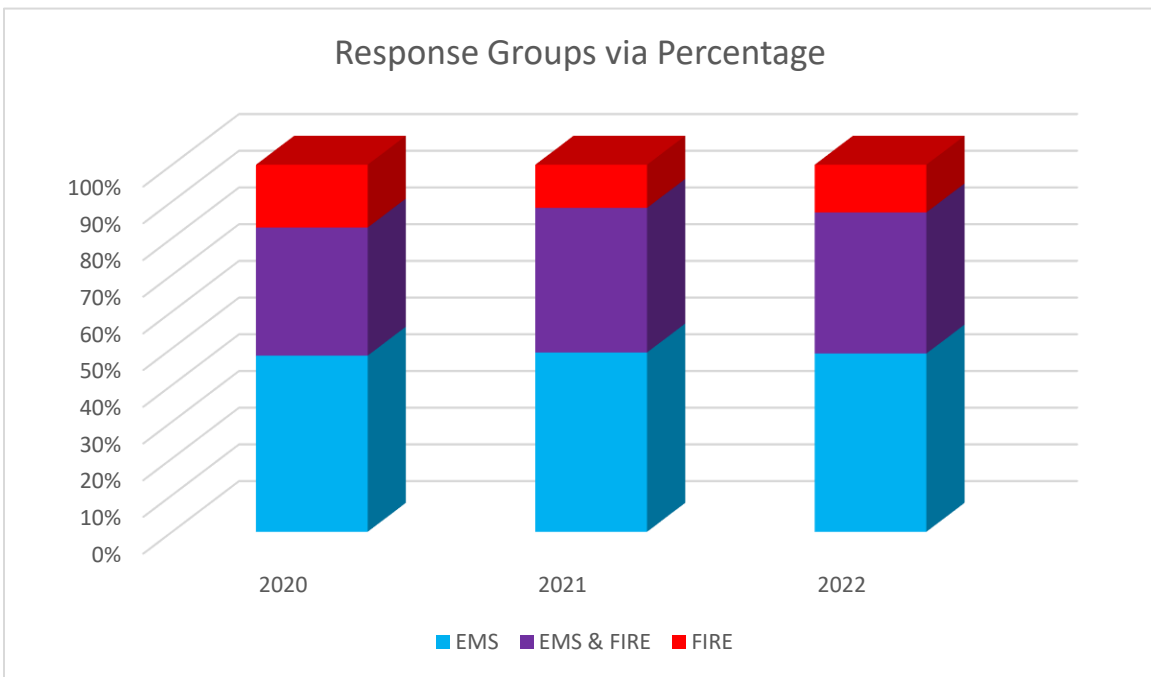
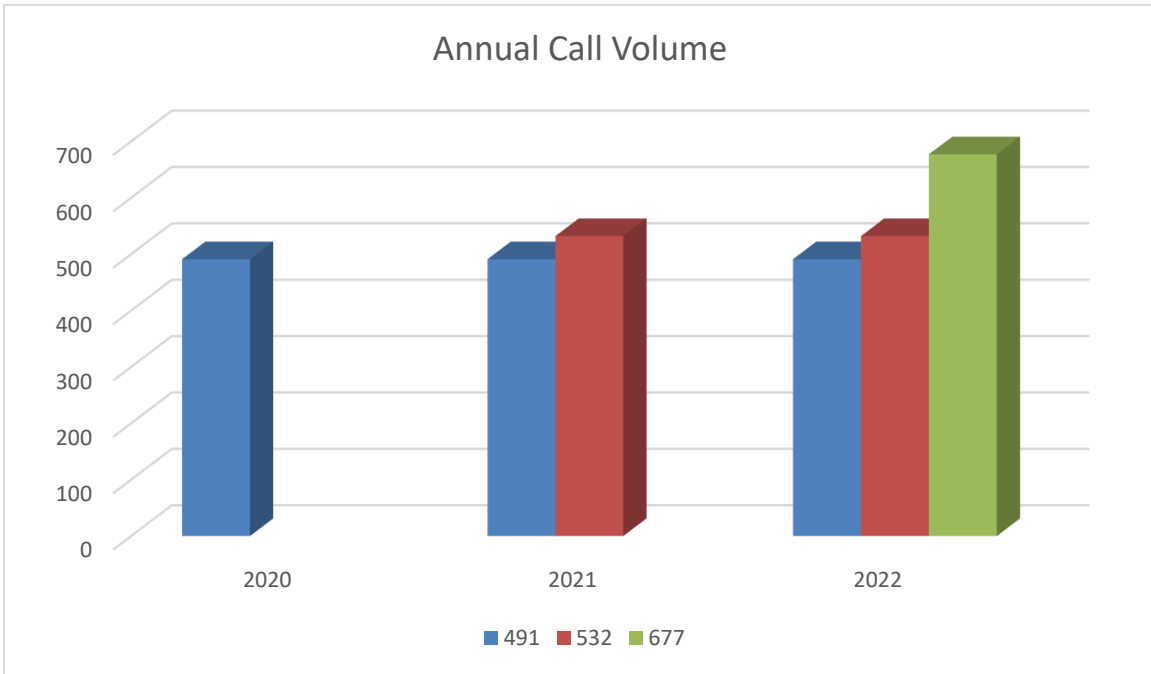


FIRE PREVENTION DATA

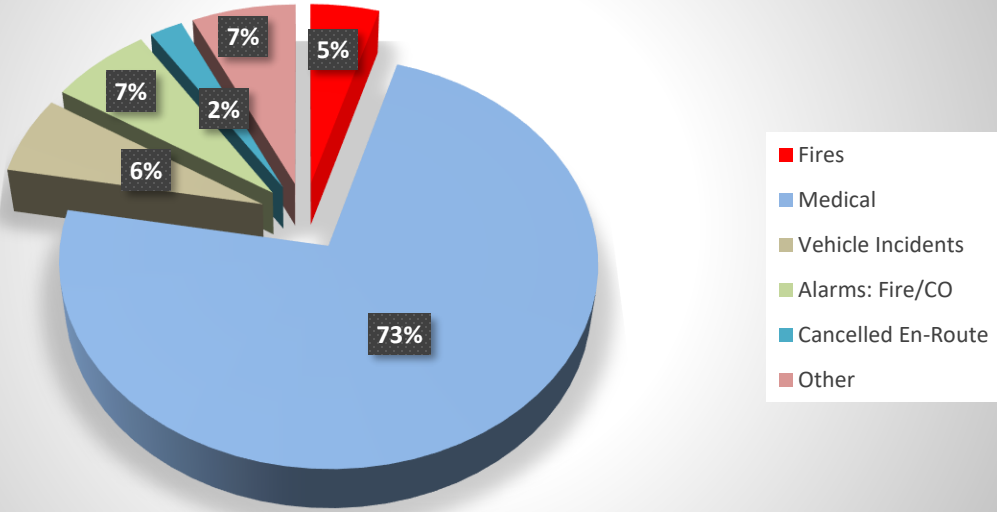
Fire Inspectors	8
Fire education programs	5 School Partnerships
Fire and life safety facility inspections	576
Residential safety inspection requests	0
Fireworks permits issued	2
Burn permits issued	475
Community outreach/presentations	26



INCIDENT VOLUME



Emergency Call Breakdown



EMERGENCY SERVICES PROTECTION (Harrison, Sherwood, Woodville)

677 Total Incidents in 2022

536 Incidents Required EMS Response

496 EMS Medical Calls (excluding vehicle accidents)

181 Incidents Required Fire Department

18,008 Approximate Population Serviced

576 Inspections of Facilities



SAFETY & AWARENESS



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WE WANT YOU TO DO THIS

Each year, we have an opportunity to highlight an educational topic of importance. For 2022, let's focus on smoke and carbon monoxide detectors. Alarm detectors have come a long way, and because of that, people have gotten complacent.

The old methodology was to replace detector batteries during daylight savings time changes. While many of you do, we're pretty sure most of you don't! Not casting blame here, as people tend to default to the detector itself (that annoying short chirp) for reminding us that the 9V battery needs replacing.

You may think replacing the battery means all is well. Unfortunately, that may not always be the case. Did you know that **detectors have an expiration date**? Yup, **10 years** to be precise.

The home construction rate in our area is very high and although it only seems like a short time ago, many of the homes in our area are over 10 years old. PLEASE give your detector a slight twist and check the expiration date on the back. You may be surprised to learn what you find! Expired detectors are very prone to going off. Do you really want us to come at 3am to check for CO? 😊



PARTNERSHIP IN SAFETY!

In the light of recognizing partnerships and those who make a difference, we want to recognize Gold Cross Ambulance Service and ThedaStar flight. Harrison Emergency Medical Responders routinely work side-by-side in the field with the amazing EMS crews from both services. It's great to have a working relationship that flows smoothly when patient care is of the utmost importance. Great job everyone!



CONTINUING EDUCATION

Emergency Responders

The term “volunteer” in the emergency services has changed significantly over the course of time. Gone are the days of showing up and being handed gear. Our members are still volunteering in the truest sense of the word, but volunteering has now been paired with the ideals of commitment and education. Our members are highly trained and qualified professionals having State certifications and licensure.

Prior to responding for emergencies and performing essential duties, our firefighters and EMS personnel are required to pass numerous State certifications. This entails enrolling in classes through accredited higher-learning institutions and passing written and practical exams.

Continuing Education

Did you know the members of Harrison Fire Rescue hold an impressive number of professional certifications? This is no small feat considering they serve on a volunteer department. Professional growth through continuing education is something the Department encourages, and our members embrace. Although continuing education is not a requirement, the number of members who take advantage of it showcases the dedication and commitment of your volunteer responders.

Recent Certifications

Firefighter II

Brett Conrad
Dave Jones
Erik Fuller
Mike Stanonik
Sam Schuhart

Aaron McGowan
Ryan Vogels
Travis Pompa
Joe Tenor

Fire Officer I

Corey Fellner
Mike Stanonik

Driver Operator

Silver Nicoll

Fire Inspector

Sam Schuhart

Emergency Medical Technician

Sam Schuhart
Andy Pawlowski

Contact

Have you ever considered joining a volunteer fire/rescue department? If the answer is yes or you have an inclination to learn more, please reach out. Feel free to contact any member of Harrison Fire Rescue or send me an email. We're always looking for good people who want to make a difference in OUR community. I'm looking forward to hearing from you.

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Harrison Fire Department



