

A close-up photograph of a firefighter's helmet. The helmet is dark-colored with a prominent patch. The patch features a red banner at the top with the word 'FIREFIGHTER' in white, bold, sans-serif capital letters. Below this is another red banner with the word 'RESCUE' in the same font. In the center of the patch are the large, white, outlined numbers '833'. At the bottom of the patch is a third red banner with the words 'FIRE DISTRICT' in white, bold, sans-serif capital letters. The helmet has brass-colored hardware visible at the top and bottom. The background is dark and out of focus.

**RESCUE FIRE
PROTECTION DISTRICT**

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Board of Directors
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Board Members:

On behalf of the members of the Rescue Fire Protection District, I am pleased to bring you our Annual Report for 2015.

As attested to in this annual report the Firefighting and Administrative Staff of the Rescue Fire Protection District continue to meet the increasing challenges of a stressed El Dorado County Emergency Response System while still protecting the Rescue Fire Protection District residents with efficient and professional all risk emergency services.

Even with a slight uptick in revenue for the 2015/2016 fiscal year, and the last allotment of "Patch Funding" from the County our fiscal challenges remain a priority. To meet the future needs of the district and an ever increasing demand for service the Department continues to be a leader in collaborating with the County on creative, fiscally responsible solutions. Additionally, to maintain greater efficiencies and operational function we are committed to building on the relationship and shared service agreement with El Dorado Hills Fire Department.

As you study this annual report for Rescue Fire Protection District's 2015 Calendar Year, you will become familiar with the increasing demands for service being placed on your Fire Department and the dedication required to meet those challenges. It is an honor to work with such dedicated individuals.

I am always available to answer any questions you may have.

Respectfully Submitted,

David C Roberts, Fire Chief
Rescue Fire Protection District

RESCUE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

2015 ORGANIZATIONAL CHART

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2015 VOLUNTEERS and INTERNS

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Brandon Thornton
Justin VanLeuven

*Shared-Service Agreement with El Dorado Hills Fire Department

**Paramedic

Administration

2015 saw several changes to the Board of Directors for the District. Scott Thorne was appointed to fill Francis Carpenter's remaining term after his resignation. CJ Smith chose not to run for reelection while Director Thorne did. Since there was only one candidate and two open positions Director Thorne will continue for another four years and Matt Koht was appointed to the vacant position. The District chose to change its elections from odd numbered years to even numbered years to align with the majority of organizations to minimize the potential financial liability of having to pay the entire cost for elections, as a result the next election will be held 2018.

Fiscal Year 2014-2015 was the last year of "patch" funding from the County. The 2015-2016 budget was put together on the basis of only tax revenue. Rescue continues to work with the County to look for additional funding. Rescue also began its second year of the Shared Services Agreement with El Dorado Hills Fire and held many community meetings to discuss options available to ensure Rescue can provide fire protection now and into the future. As part of our collaboration with El Dorado Hills Fire Rescue personnel and spouses cooked and served lunch for the Board of Supervisors who held their meeting in El Dorado Hills in March. Rescue also entered into a Shared Services Agreement with the El Dorado County Fire Safe Council to provide administrative services.



Rescue personnel and apparatus was able to respond to many strike team requests this year: the Route Complex Fire, Valley Fire, Kyburz Fire, Lowell Fire and Washington Fire as well as several other water tender responses.

Administrative Assistant Highlights:

- ✓ Obtained Class B Driver License
- ✓ Facilitated community meetings
- ✓ Assisted with the Fire Safe Trailer at Rescue and Sutter's Mill Elementary Schools
- ✓ Participated in a key position with the Santa Run
- ✓ Help coordinate Toys for Tots pickups at surrounding fire departments
- ✓ Co-coordinated the 2015 Boot Drive which raised over \$10,000
- ✓ Record Fire Operations Committee minutes

Administration

- ✓ Taught 21 BLS, 31 Pediatric and 12 HeartSaver First Aid/CPR/AED courses
- ✓ Provided 26 car seat checks at Station 83 as well as attending several community check up events and assisted with new technician class.

Training



Training

This year training was delivered through the El Dorado Hills Fire Department. Training is delivered to the crews by Shift Battalion Chiefs with oversight from the Division Chief. The goal of this division was to deliver a detailed training schedule each month. Each month the crews are sent a training schedule, which includes manipulative fire drills, medical and policy review, and any other required trainings mandated by OSHA or ISO. Interns are given the same trainings by the duty crews when they are on shift. It is then the Company Officers responsibility to enter each training into Target Solutions for tracking.

- The intern program continues to be of great benefit to the Department. It allows extra personnel to be added on the engines. The El Dorado County Training Officers hosted an academy this year, and we put two members through it. They graduated and came on-line in June.
- The El Dorado County Training Officers continue to host several classes throughout the year. This year they hosted a water rescue drill, heavy objects drill and an MCI drill. The trainings covered six days, so each shift was able to attend on duty.

Combining training with El Dorado Hills Fire Department has been of great benefit to the department. It has given opportunities to us that we haven't had in the past, such as training on truck operations, and utilizing a forcible entry prop. I hope that this partnership continues to flourish in the future.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Brett Jones". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Submitted by Captain/Paramedic Brett Jones, Training Officer

Training

Sample Monthly Calendar



Monthly Training Detail February 2015



Company Officer Responsibility

Officers Meeting Feb 2nd Mandatory Attendance

Skills Proficiency Log in TS, EDHFD Career Training

- Drill 1 – 24’ Ground Ladder Drill (Full Turnouts & SCBA)
 - Pick an structure where you can drill and fly ladders without damaging the building
 - Park apparatus 50’ or more from the structure
 - Each member of the crew – throw the 24’ ladder **five times** to separate objectives as assigned by the Captain. Rescue from a window, working from a ladder and ventilation **operations**.
 - Each time, the fly must be fully extended
- Drill 2 – 35’ Ground Ladder Drill (Full Turnouts & SCBA)
 - As a Crew- throw the 35’ ladder **five times** to separate objectives as assigned by the Captain. Rescue, Working from and Vent
 - Each time, the fly must be fully extended
- Drill 3 - Aerial ladder operations (Full Turnouts) repeat until proficient
 - T85 Crew will provide training to outlying stations on set up, operations and take down.
- Drill 4 – RS1 skill - build a Ladder Gin
 - Using your engine build a ladder gin as described in the RS1 curriculum provided.
- Drill 5 – High Rise Drill in Sacramento
 - See attached flyer and check district calendar for assigned dates.

New Equipment MPD Assigned in Target Solutions

- Watch video and practice as a crew.
- https://www.youtube.com/watch?x-yt-ts=1422503916&v=AfLwAWcNxcc&feature=player_embedded&x-yt-cl=85027636

EMS Review Assigned in Target Solutions

- Review Paper PCR’s – How to fill out and process.
- 12 LEAD EKG- How to place and transmit.

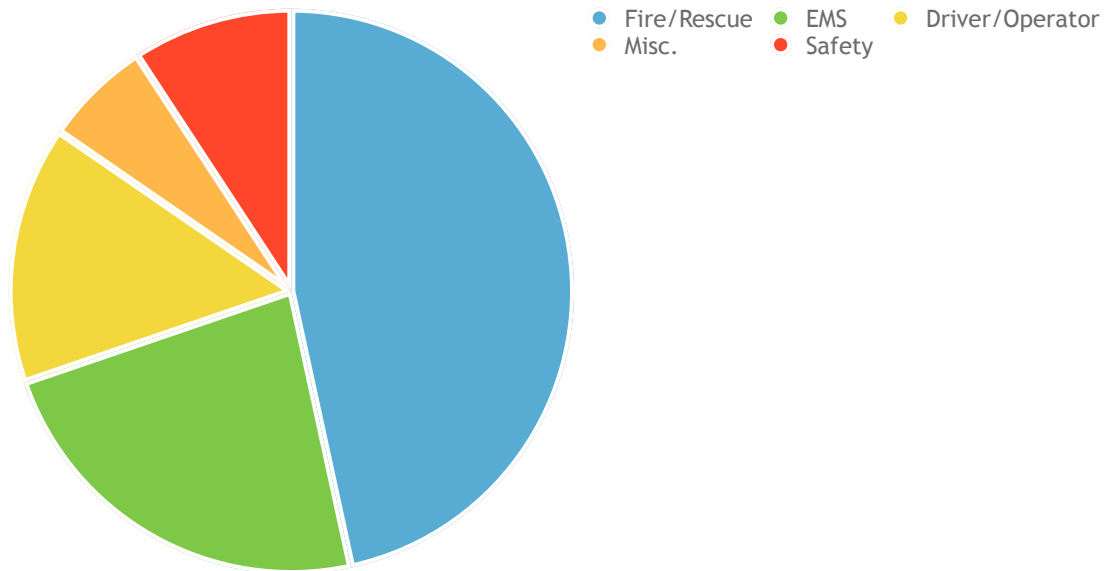
Safety Briefs Auto-Assigned in Target Solutions

- Discuss safety concerns for aerial/ladder operations in different weather conditions.

Training

HIGHLIGHTS

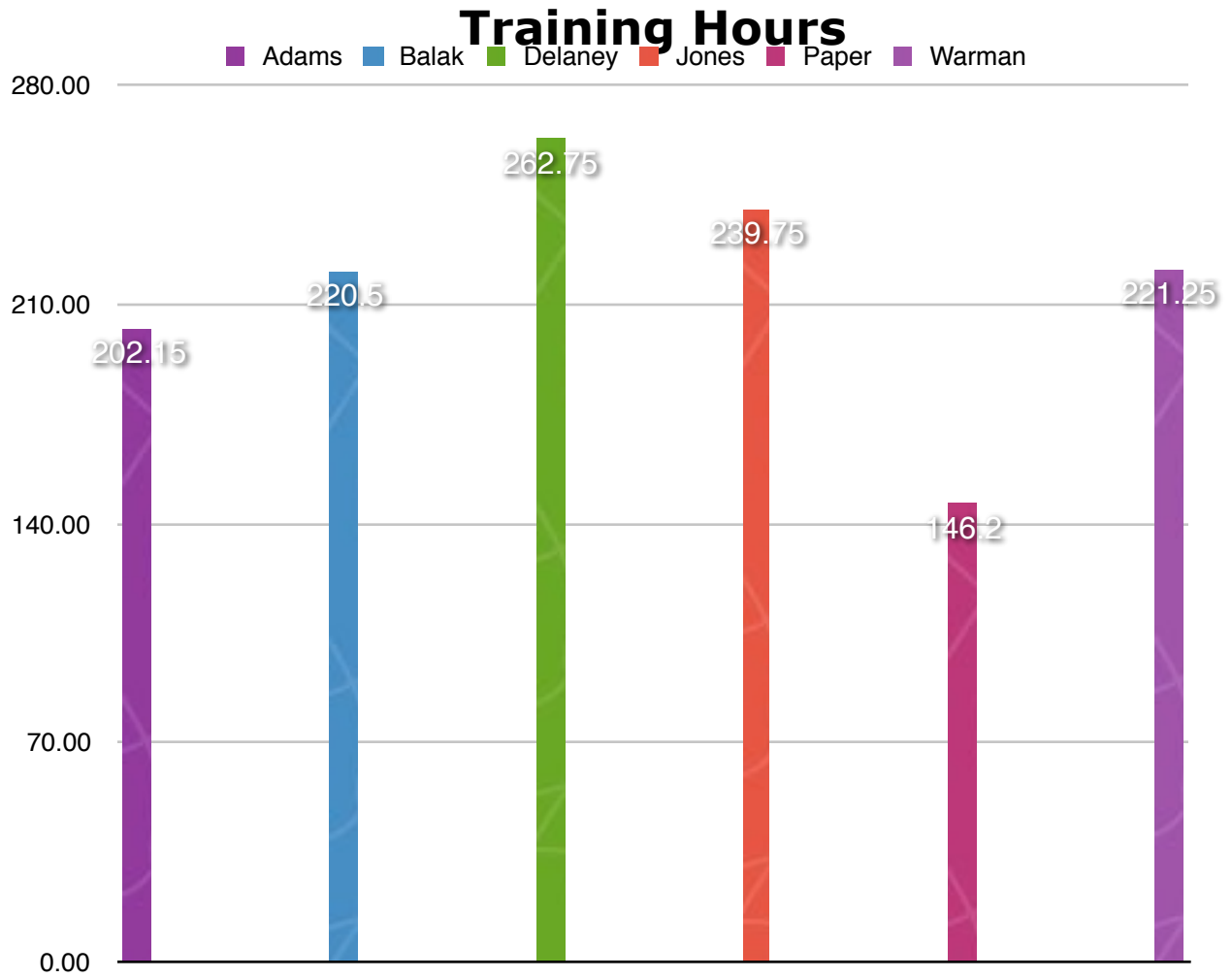
Completed District Training



Training Events Where Rescue Personnel Participated

- High rise drill in Sacramento
- Countywide Heavy Object Lifting drill
- Countywide MCI Drill
- Countywide Water Rescue Drill
- Low Angle Drill
- Confined Space Drill
- Firefighter Survivor Drill at the old Sta. 84

Training



Interns

2015 was a very busy year for the interns of Rescue Fire. There were calls of all varieties and every size. We saw several personnel take the next steps toward making their dreams a reality. New firefighters were made and new medics are preparing to go on line. I am extremely proud of all the accomplishments made, milestones reached, and education acquired.

During the past year Rescue interns responded to hundreds of calls. The call types ranged from snake removals to structure fires to devastating wildfires and everything in between. Intern Kerwood worked an attack line when the Sierra Nevada House burned in Coloma. E83 happened to be in quarters at Station 81 and was second on scene moments behind the CAL FIRE engine from Lotus. He did a great job on an intense fire with a lot of potential for growth.

Intern Szulman had an opportunity to participate in several aspects of a working house fire in Cameron Park. He experienced exterior attack, exposure protection, secondary search and overhaul. The house was well involved upon arrival of E283. The fire was held to the single building and stopped before it took the garage. He got up close and personal with the physical labor involved during a residential structure response and the clean up that follows.



Intern Thornton rejoined the ranks this year. He answered the call and responded to Lake County with WT83 as part of a multiagency task force assigned to the Valley Fire. The Valley Fire turned out to be one of the most devastating wildfires in California history with an estimated price tag of \$1.5 billion. He witnessed firsthand the power and destruction of this raging wildfire. He showed tremendous strength of character working long days in hot treacherous conditions. These are just a few of the incidents Rescue interns assisted in mitigating.

Interns VanLeuven and Willock completed the didactic and clinical portions of paramedic school through NCTI in Roseville. They are currently working on field internships with AMR. Interns Chessani and Durnall were accepted into the intern program contingent on completion of an academy. Both made the grade in the El Dorado County Fire Academy hosted by the Training Officers Association. They impressed the instructors and proctors with their physical ability and mental fitness. All of these men are proving that Rescue interns are the future of the fire service and a force to be reckoned with.

Interns D'Angelo, Bogovich, Rara, Durnall, and Thornton were all successful obtaining jobs with other agencies. D'Angelo, Rara and Bogovich accepted job offers from CAL FIRE as seasonal firefighters. When fire season ended Bogovich went on to join Sacramento Metro Fire as a single role EMT. Durnall worked for the USFS on the Iron Mountain Hot Shots. Thornton was hired by Falck Ambulance to work on the Critical Care Transport unit. These interns remain on the active list and are sharing lessons learned from their outside experiences.

Interns

2016 will be a year of rebuilding. New interns will be recruited to replace the ones who are destined for greatness. I am utilizing the connections I have made through the years to gain access to graduating academy classes. The search will continue for training opportunities to improve the skills of the active members. By providing training and improving skills the level of service to Rescue and many other communities will continue to rise.



Fire Prevention

This year in Prevention the El Dorado Hills Fire Prevention Department assumed the majority of the fire prevention duties for Rescue Fire Protection District. In 2015 there were no major prevention changes or additions within the District: i.e. no new hydrants, commercial buildings or housing developments. There were a number of meetings between El Dorado Hills Prevention staff and businesses like Cielo Winery, Eden Vale Inn Bed & Breakfast and the future Equestrian Center planned for the west end of Green Valley Road. These meetings were mainly for future expansions and building permit finals. The Bass Lake Golf Course was closed most of 2015 except for their driving range and pro shop. The Green Valley Mortuary started the permit process for a large expansion to their main building which will be finished in early 2016 and Pleasant Grove Middle School added a new walk-in freezer to their main kitchen area. El Dorado Hills Prevention also reviewed a few new residential home plans, modular home submittals and a number of small additions which will add revenue and some additional water availability to the District via water tanks. These new water storage tanks help by providing much needed water in areas where we do not have EID hydrants or other access to water.

Captain Delaney and staff continued to conduct school fire drills, school, residential, water tank, driveway, road, Knox key, gate and business inspections as well as re-inspections as needed. We also conduct miscellaneous fire prevention tasks. The Administrative Assistant, Jodi Martin, also assisted with walk in plan submittals, Knox forms and many other prevention tasks such as permit sign offs and dooryard burn permits.

Businesses within Rescue Fire Protection District:

- ❖ ADD Growers
- ❖ Church of Christ
- ❖ Gold Trail School
- ❖ Green Valley Mortuary
- ❖ Pleasant Grove Middle School
- ❖ Rescue Baptist Church
- ❖ Rescue Elementary School & Bus Facility
- ❖ Cielo Winery
- ❖ Eden Vale Bed & Breakfast
- ❖ Bass Lake Golf Course
- ❖ Growing Health Children
- ❖ Gomez Mountain Enterprises
- ❖ Green Valley Elementary School & Rescue Union School District Offices
- ❖ Rescue Community Center
- ❖ Sutter's Mill Elementary School & District Office
- ❖ Cell Tower Sites

Guy Delaney, Captain
Prevention Division

Fire Investigation



Rescue Fire Protection District maintains two Fire Investigators, Chris Paper and Ryan Adams, who investigated 12 fires in 2015. This included one chimney fire, one car fire, one travel trailer fire, five structure fires, and assisted with four wildland fires. Six of these are thought to be arson.

One of the structure fires included a triple fatality and is thought to be arson. Another of the structure fires was caused by lightning in 81's area.

Certifications acquired in 2015 for Ryan Adams included "A Ventilation Approach to Structure Fires." A representative from Rescue attended three El Dorado County Arson Task Force meetings and one Sacramento Sierra Regional Arson Task Force meeting.

We will continue investigating fires in Rescue as well as El Dorado County Arson Task Force "call outs." We will continue training and maintaining competencies by acquiring certifications from reputable training programs.

Maintenance



Maintaining the District vehicles and equipment went pretty smooth throughout 2015. Most of the major issues were corrected at planned intervals as opposed to emergency repairs. Some noteworthy expenditures were; a new subframe on Engine 283, a new set of tires on the water tender and a new starter on Engine 83. Squad 83 was given a 100,000 mile service at 27,000 miles due to its age since it's now thirty years old.

Chris Paper, Engineer/Paramedic
Maintenance Division

Buildings And Grounds

In 2015 Rescue Fire Protection District had some minor improvements that made a big difference. Safety was enhanced and Station 83 was spiced up with bright white lines in the parking lot and bright yellow lines inside and outside the apparatus bay. The white lines were also redone in front of the post office and at the church.



Our outdated and degrading garage door motors were replaced by new Liftmaster motors and work very well. We updated all of the locks on Station 83 to commercial locks that do not require batteries. The kitchen lights were all replaced to brighter, more efficient florescent fixtures. Much of the interior and some of the exterior of the station was repainted including doors, rails, trim and pillars. We replaced our worn out dishwasher with the same model that we had before which worked well for many years. Some of the screens were replaced on the windows. We have more supplies to repair our screens as they wear out. The planter box in front of the post office was repaired after a car knocked out many of the stones. The gazebo was taken down by members of the RVFA and reconstructed at another site.

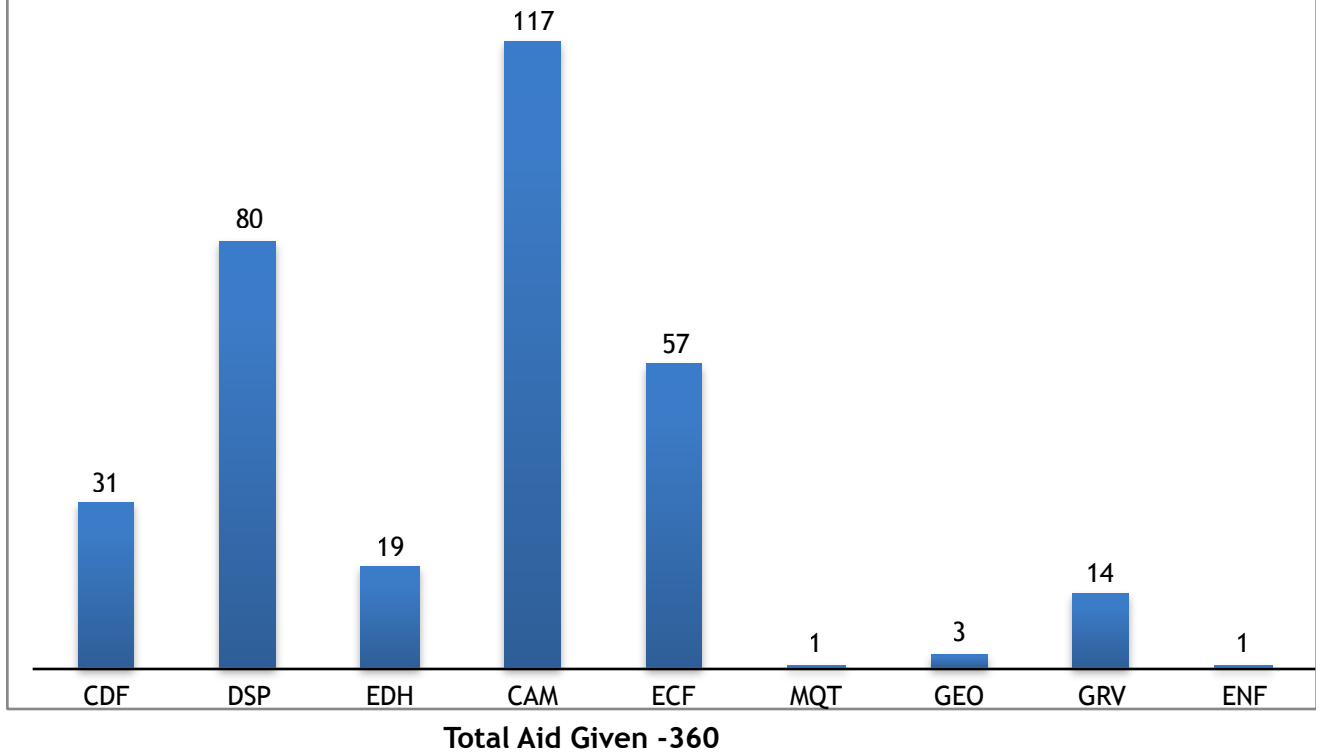
The largest project that was completed was patching the asphalt at Station 81. This project was done professionally and took one day.

As we look forward to 2016, more of Station 83 will be painted including the sleeping quarters. We will work toward replacing the floor in the post office in a fiscally responsible manner. The trees will be evaluated for trimming and we will fill in shrubs around the fuel tank. The floor in the kitchen will be repainted by the Firefighters. We will continue to work with the Boy Scouts for possible projects around the station. Station 81 will be monitored and repaired as needed.

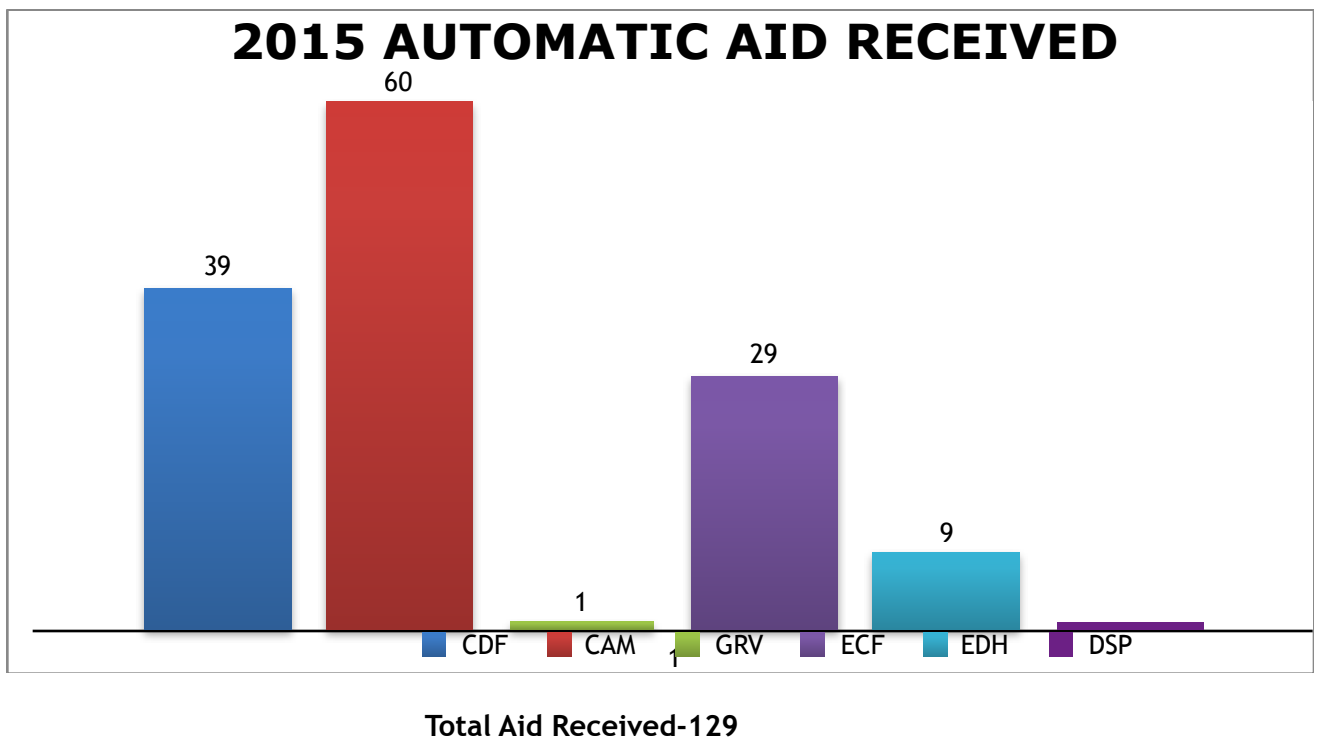
Ryan Adams, Firefighter/Paramedic

2015 Calls For Service

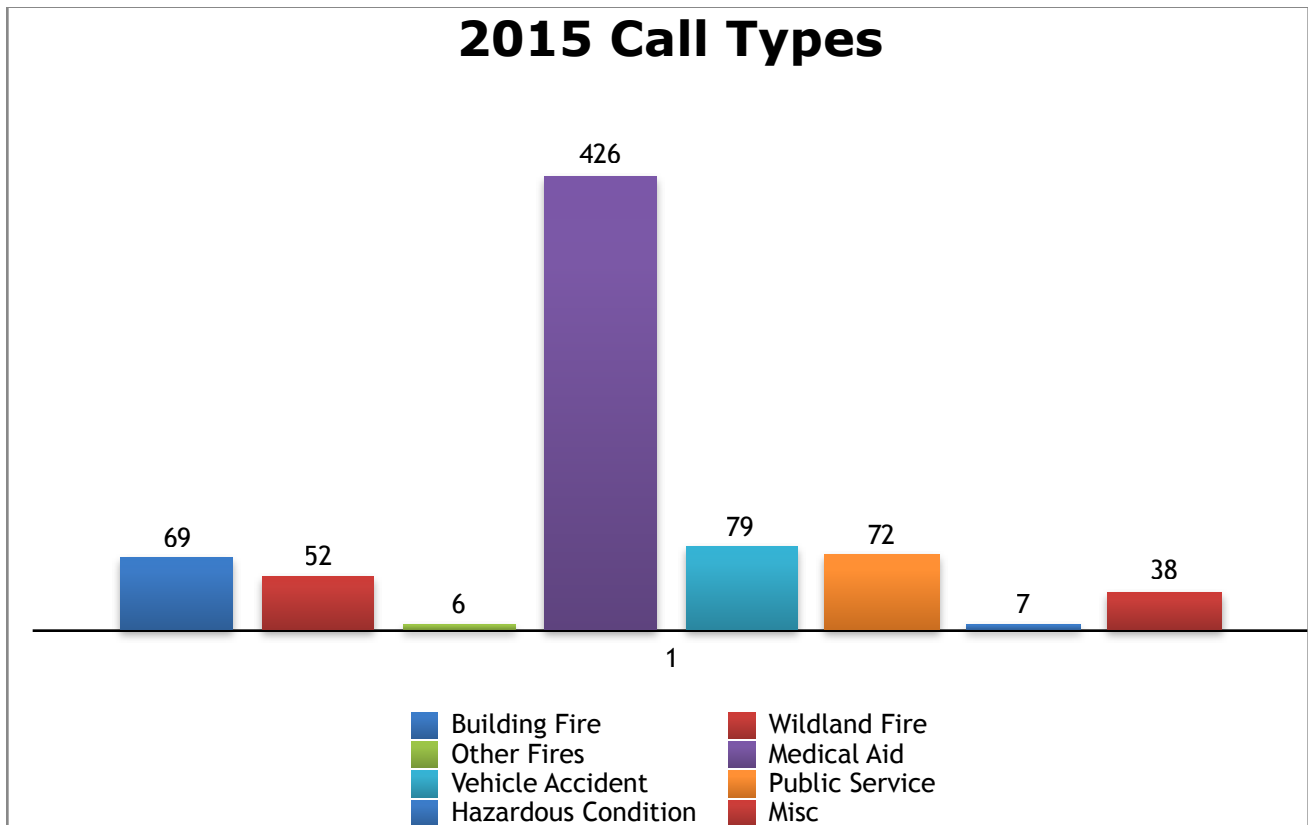
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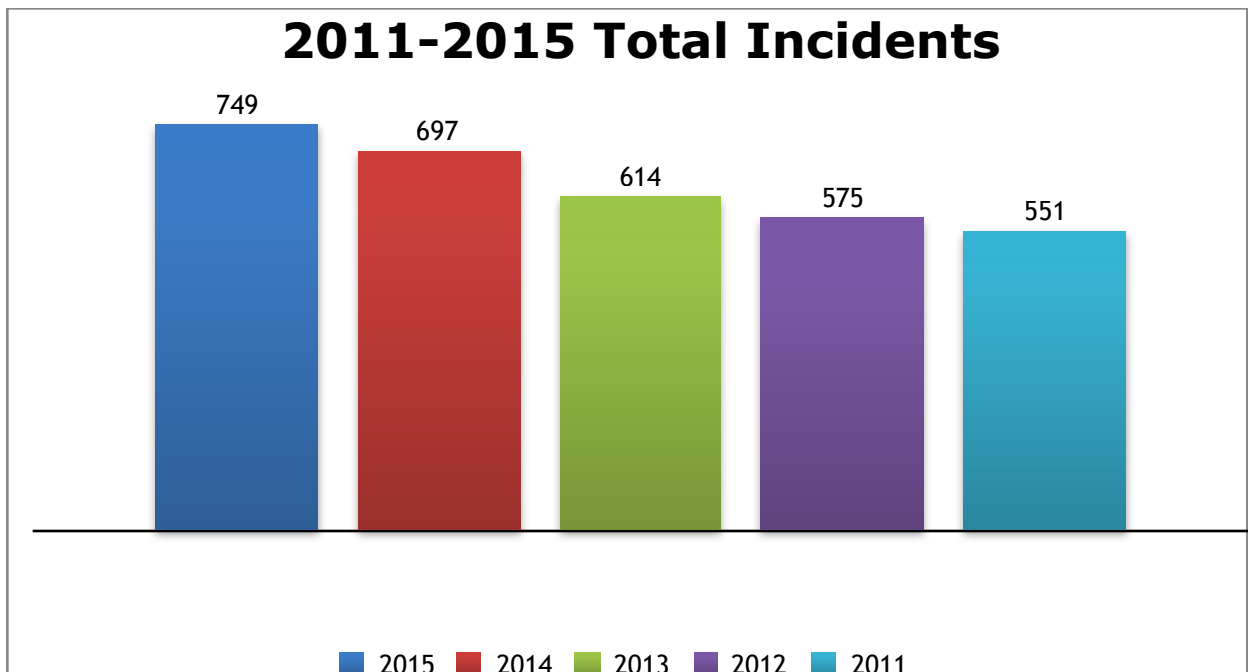
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2015 Calls For Service

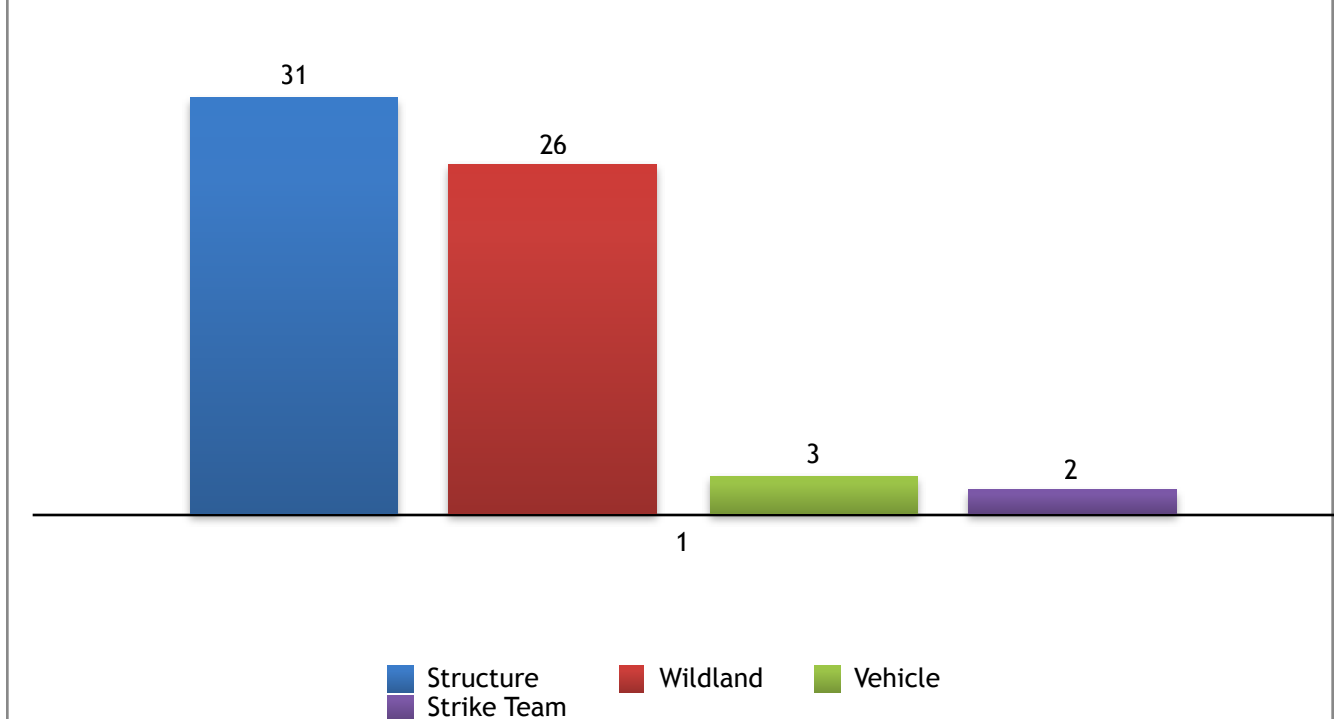


Total Calls-749

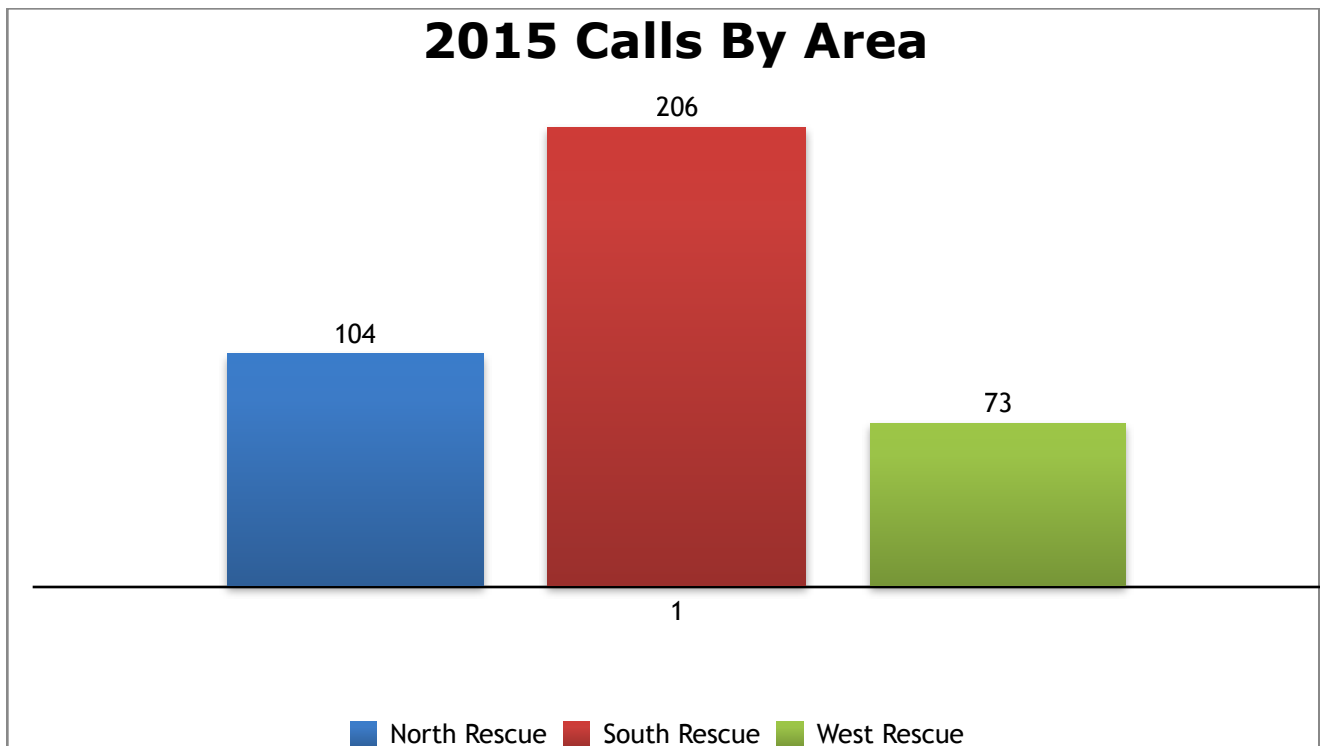


2015 Calls For Service

2015 Active Fire Responses



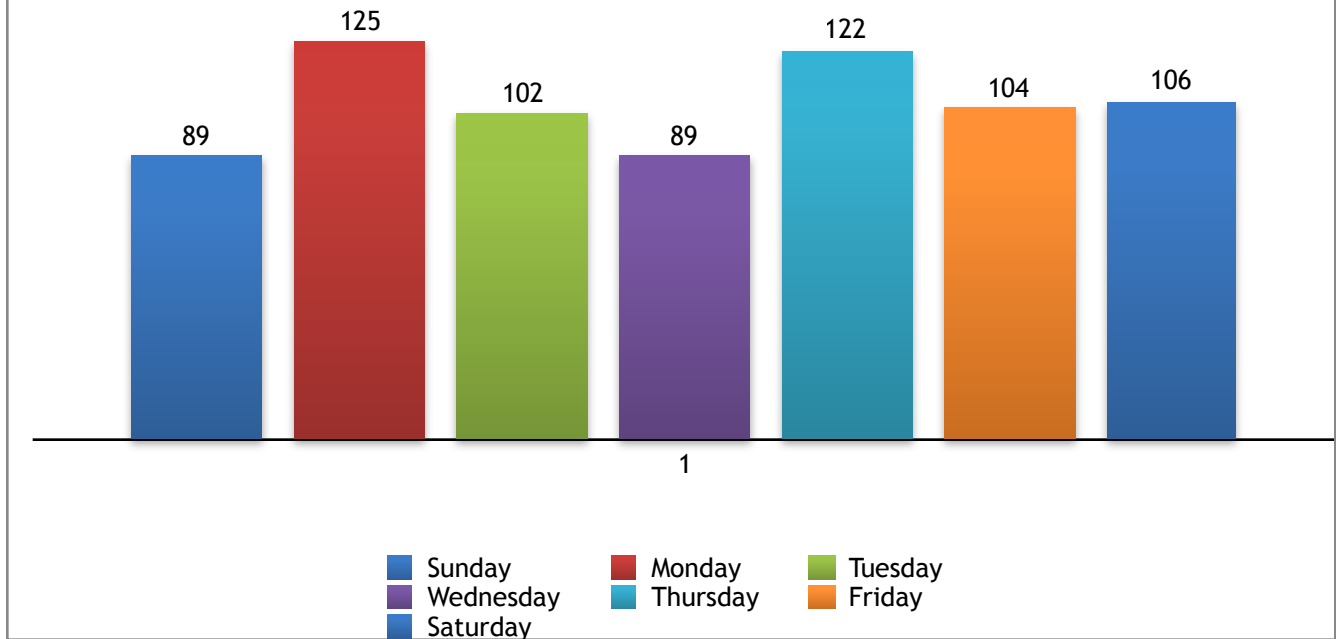
2015 Calls By Area



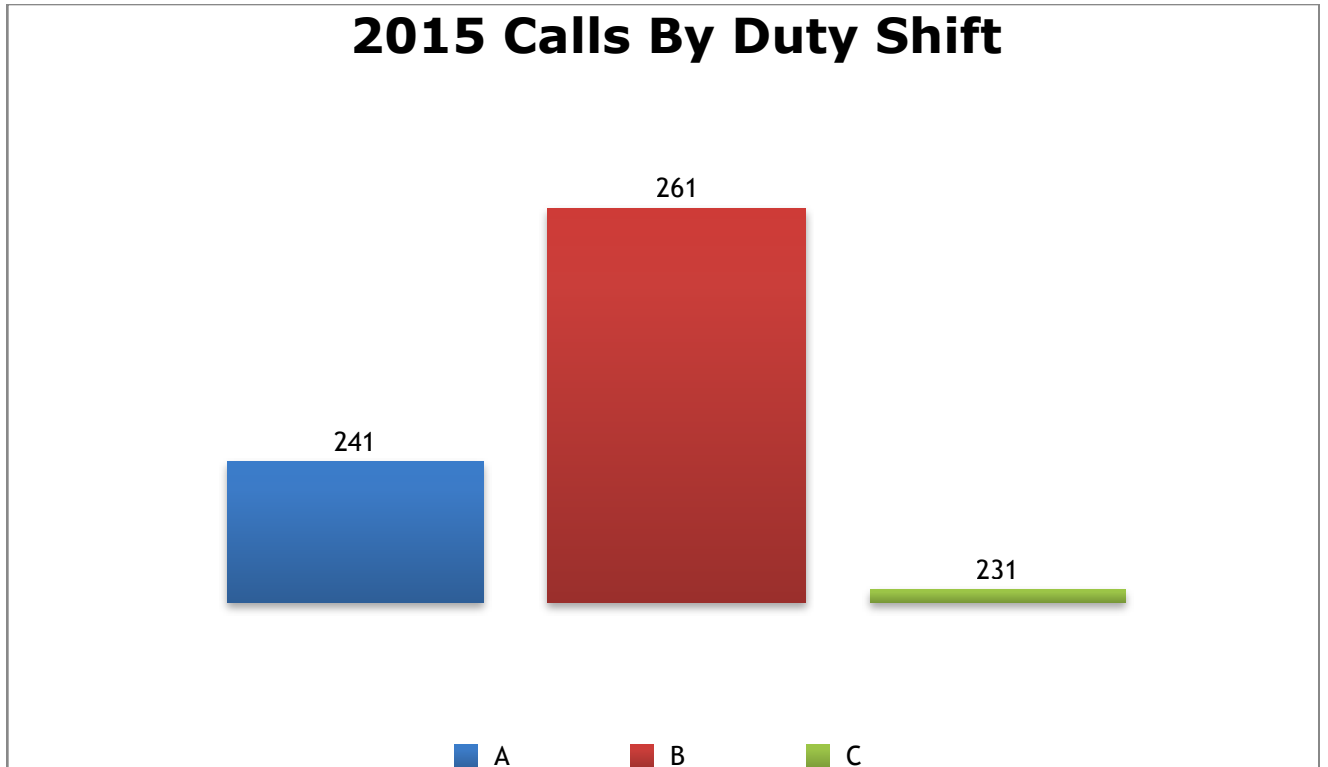
Total Calls-383

2015 Calls For Service

2015 Calls By Weekday

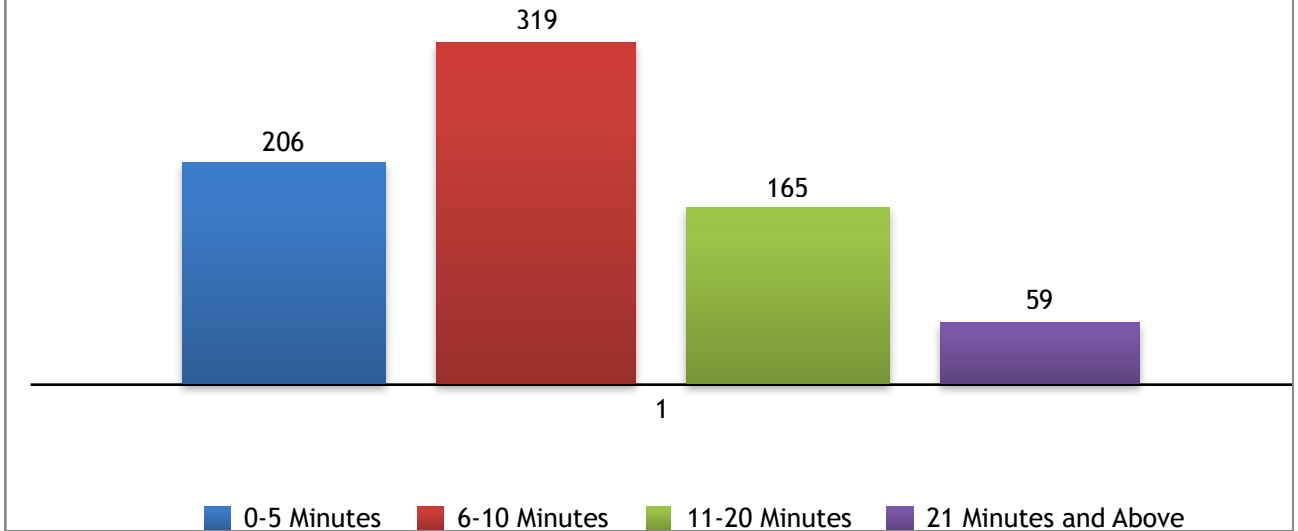


2015 Calls By Duty Shift

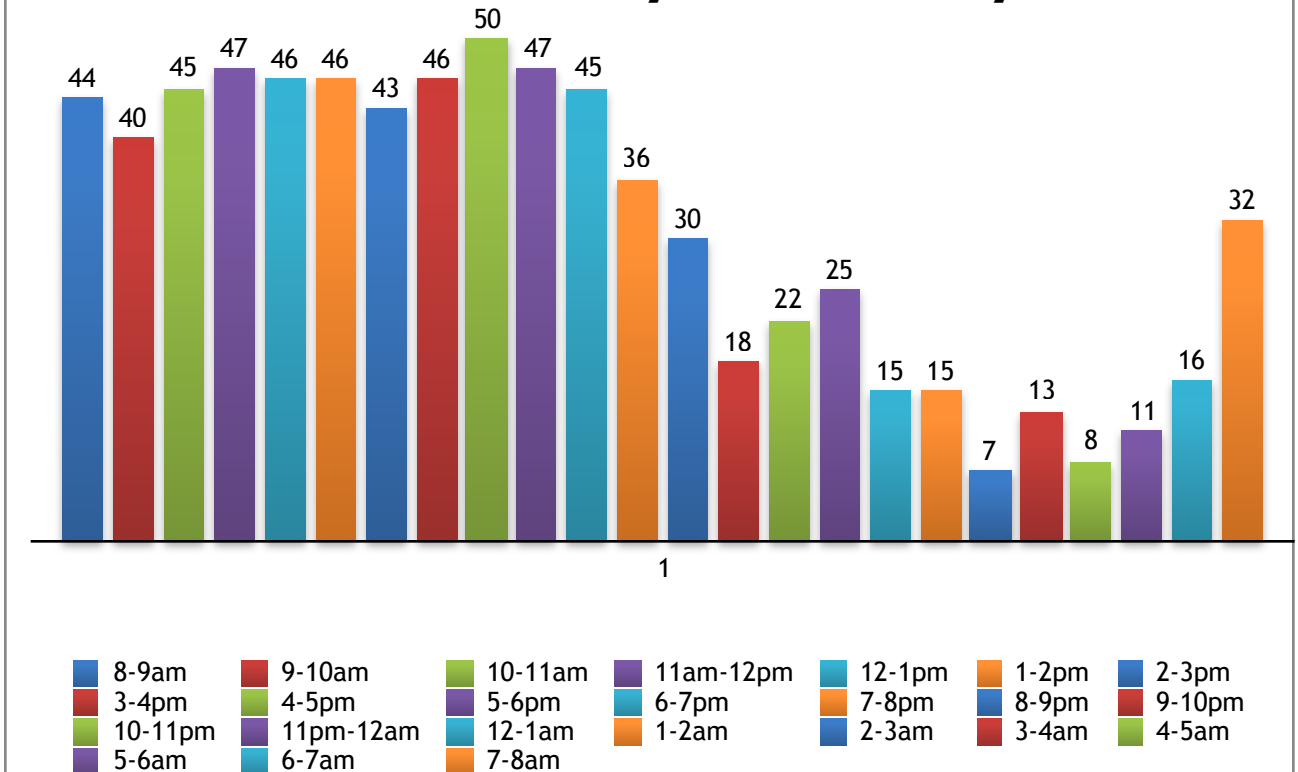


2015 Calls For Service

2015 Response Time Analysis

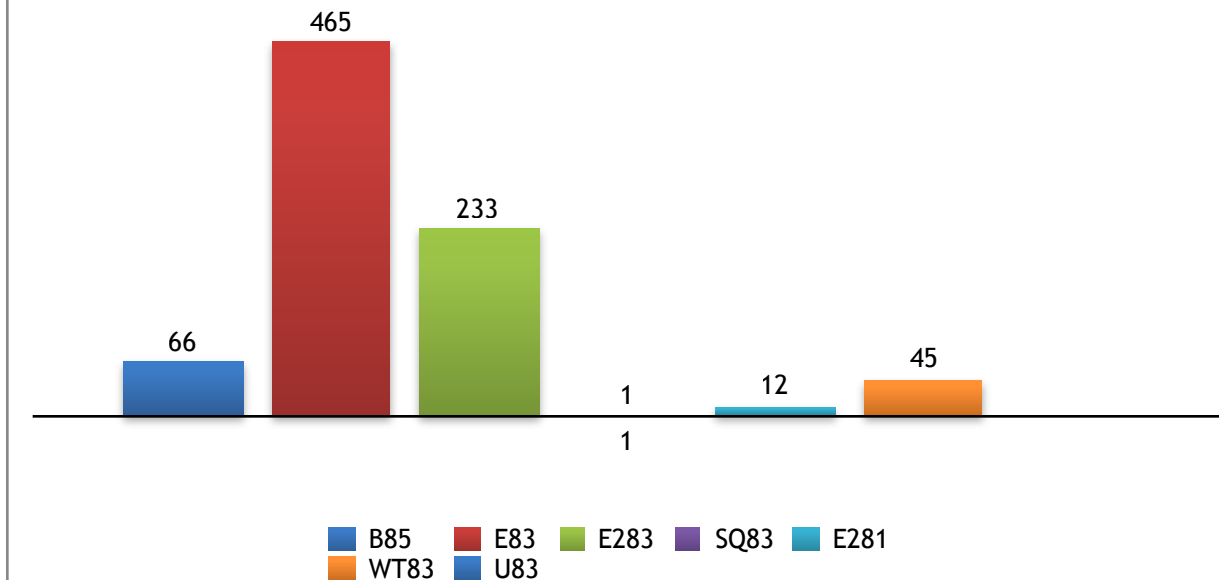


2015 Calls By Time Of Day

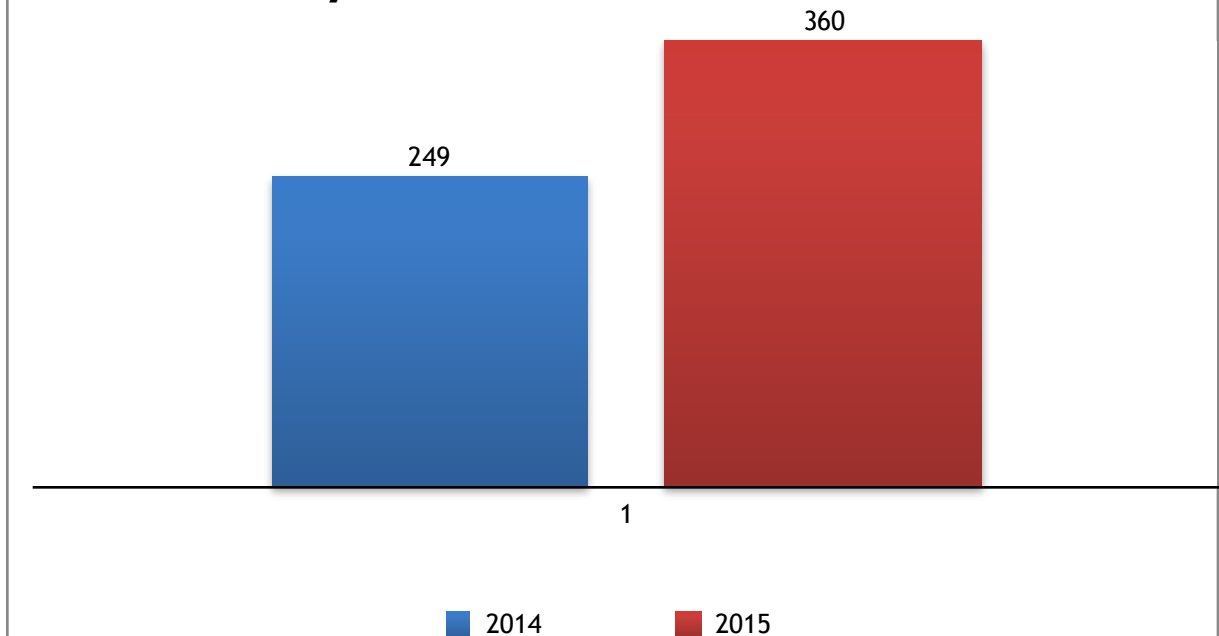


2015 Calls For Service

2015 Unit Response Summary



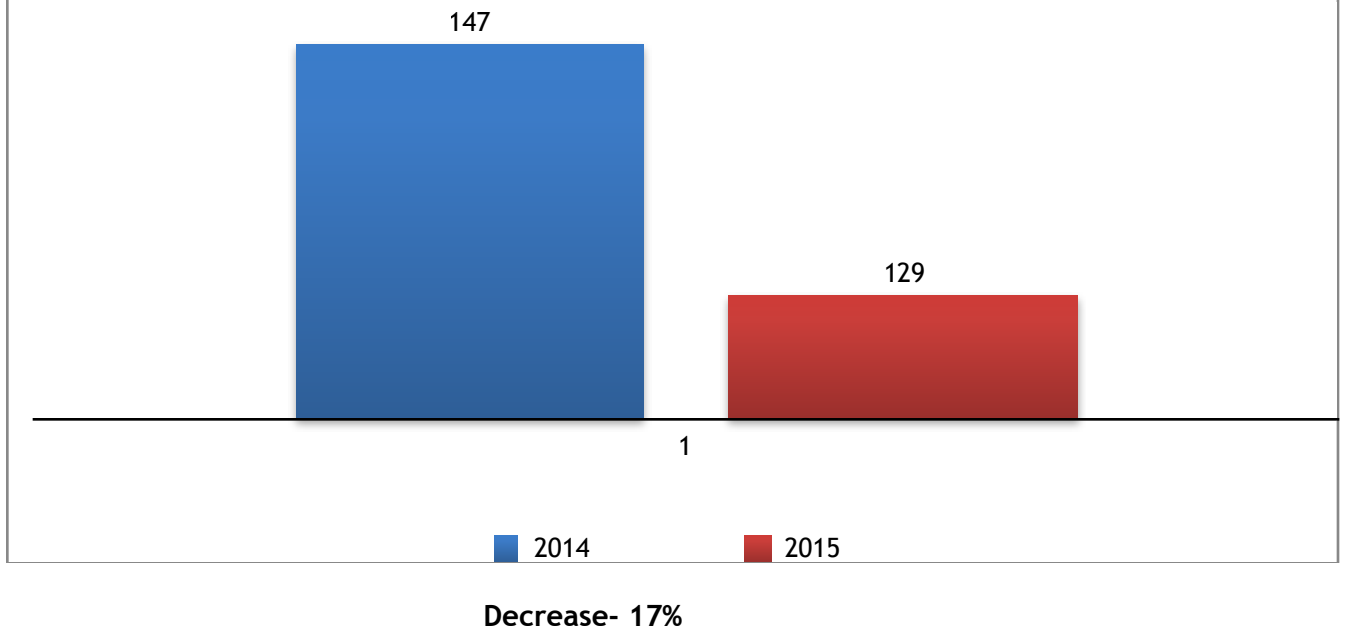
2014/2015 Automatic Aid Given



Increase- 46%

2015 Calls For Service

2014/2015 Automatic Aid Received



2014/2015 Incidents By Area

