



MONUMENT FIRE DISTRICT

Monthly Activity Report – September 2026

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Fire Chief Colin Fitzgerald

September Activities:

- Scheduled Chief meetings with all shift personnel
- Informal breakfast meeting with multiple MFD and Monument PD staff
- Multiple 2027 budget planning meetings with staff
- Monthly meeting with MFD social media consultant: Red Energy
- District insurance pre-renewal meeting on September 1st
- Lunch meeting with the MFD Attorney on September 4th
- MFD Continuity of Operations (COOP) planning meeting with PPOEM on September 10th
- Met with Palmer Lake Fire Chief John Vincent on September 17th
- Attended (virtually) the Colorado State Fire Chief's Board meeting on September 23rd
- Met with Black Forest Chief Rocco on September 24th
- Met with Shield 616 regarding the pending donation of ballistic vests
- Attended the monthly Pikes Peak Fire Chief's Council meeting on September 28th
- Meeting with the MFD Medical Director and staff on September 29th
- Met with EPSO Dispatch on September 30th
- Peer Support Program meeting with Dr. Long on September 30th



Quick Facts

Number of Fire Incidents	Number of EMS Incidents	Training Hours Completed	Fire Inspections Completed
2	237	901.5	37
Major Incidents, Projects, and Events			
- Sept 1st - MFD responded to a fawn that was stuck on a residential backyard deck. Crews utilized the spreaders (Jaws of Life) to spread the deck enough to free the fawn. The fawn rejoined its mother nearby without injury. - Sept 11th - 25th anniversary ceremony at MFD Station #1 - Sept 11th - cookout at MFD headquarters for all staff and families. - Sept 11th - Tower 531 participated in the CSFD 9/11 ceremony in Memorial Park. - Sept 5th-7th – Local 4319 MDA Fill the Boot Event. - Sept 13th – Crews freed a 4-year-old after his leg was trapped between a bicycle crank and rear chain stay. After cooking oil proved ineffective, crews used spreaders to create enough space to free his leg. He was uninjured and received a fire engine tour with his siblings. - Oklahoma wildland crew swap (3 firefighters) for 2-week assignment.			

Administration – Jennifer Martin

FPPA Drop Program Changes - employer contributions

Promotions/Change of Assignments:

- Firefighter/Paramedic Matt Godson promoted to Lieutenant, assigned to Station 2 C-shift

Hiring/Resignations/Leave of Absence:

- Ryan Jacobs – starts November 16th
- Erich Cassaday - resignation effective December 1st

Local 4319: Annual Pumpkin Give Away on September 24th

Upcoming:

- October 31st - Safe Trunk or Treat
- November 15th – Hockey Game Benefit for Landon Maloney – Sertich Ice Center (11:30-4:00)

Accreditation – Jeremy Furman

Significant Events:

- Completed mapping of Monument cisterns for a county water supply initiative.
- Working with partners to create a hydrant master list for the Monument response area
- Improvements made with First Due time stamp mapping
- Vexcel mapping data integration



Operations – Division Chief Janaka Branden

Summary of Significant Events:

- On 09/08, I attended a meeting with multiple MFD and Monument PD staff.
- On 9/10, I participated in the MFD Continuity of Operations (COOP) planning meeting with PPROEM
- I attended 2027 budget planning meetings.
- On 9/29, I met with IAFF Local #4319 members to help educate on the 115 Retirement Trust.
- On 9/30, I met with EPSO dispatch.

Operations:

A Shift – Battalion Chief Coyle

- On 9/1, MFD responded to a fawn that was stuck on a residential backyard deck. Crews utilized the spreaders (Jaws of Life) to spread the deck enough to free the fawn. The fawn rejoined its mother nearby without injury.
- On 9/6, MFD participated in Fill the Boot at King Soopers.
- On 9/7, MFD participated in Fill the Boot at King Soopers.
- On 9/12, MFD attended the Gleneagle Fun Run.
- On 9/12, Station 4 attended the Paradise Villas annual picnic.
- On 9/13, MFD freed a 4-year-old whose leg was trapped between a bicycle crank and rear chain stay. After cooking oil proved ineffective, crews used spreaders to create enough space to remove his leg. He was uninjured and received a fire engine tour with his siblings.
- On 9/18, Station 3 hosted a ride-along.
- On 9/18, MFD provided medical standby for the Lewis Palmer football game.
- On 9/24, Station 4 assisted with developing social media content for Red Energy.
- On 9/24, MFD assisted with the West Group Hazmat/MCI Drill at Green Mountain Falls.
- On 9/25, MFD attended the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for the Higby Road completion.
- On 9/25, MFD provided medical standby for the Palmer Ridge football game.

B Shift – Battalion Chief Balvanz

- 9/5 Fill the Boot
- 9/10 Ride-along Station 1
- 9/10 565 Responded to Black Forest
- 9/11 Participated in the 25th Anniversary 9-11 Ceremony at Station 1
- 9/17 Station tour
- 9/23 Small Outside Fire at the 158
- 9/23 TA High Mechanism Severe Injury Leatherchaps/JCP
- 9/29 Dumpster Fire at New Apartment Complex Sunny Shore Drive
- On 08/31, 584 Mutual Aid with CSFD and USAFA.



C Shift – Battalion Chief Mola

- On 9/2, St.5 held a benefit dinner and truck ride.
- On 9/8, St.2 conducted a station tour.
- On 9/8, we responded to an electrical outlet/garage fire.
- On 9/15, St.4 delivered a Fire Prevention Safety Talk in D4.
- On 9/26, St.3 performed a flag retirement service at the station.
- On 9/26, we responded to a T/A with entrapment in D3. 1 person transported.

Training & EMS – Battalion Chief Pearson

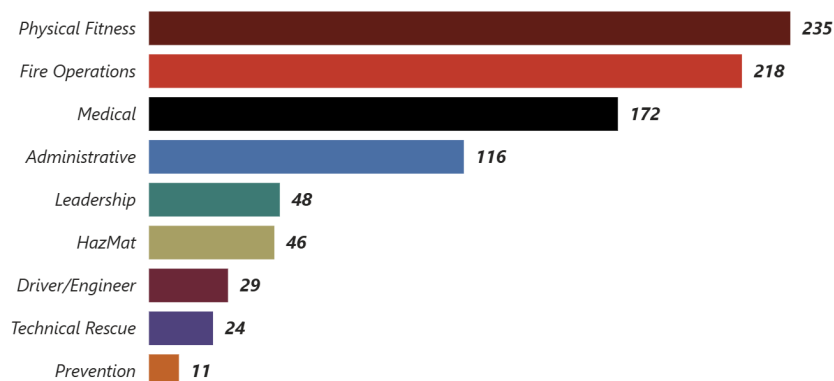
Summary of Training Events: September

- NG EMS- Waiver/Guideline Updates and Review
- Fire- Tender Operations/New Engine Training
- Specialty – Peer Support with Dr. Long
- Individual crew trainings logged for the month included topics such as Blue Card CEs, battery-related fires, and hose testing.
- EMS Educator Fuller conducted ACLS refresher classes for Paramedics
- 554 and BC Pearson attended the West Group Hazmat/MCI drill in Green Mountain Falls.
- Lt. Ragland completed his Wildland Division Supervisor task book.

Training Plan for the Month: October

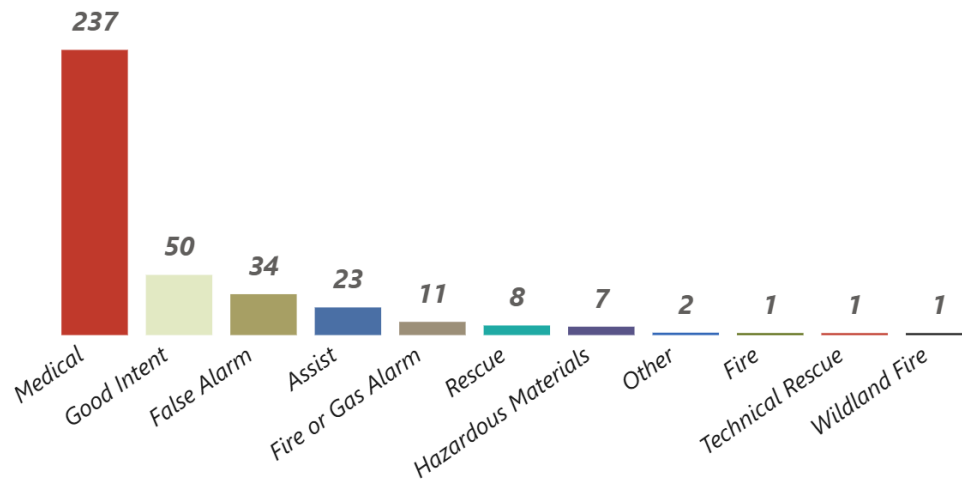
- NG EMS – Online Case Studies
- Fire - 2nd Story VEIS
- Specialty – Hazmat Scenarios with EPSO Hazmat Team.

September 2026 Training Hours:



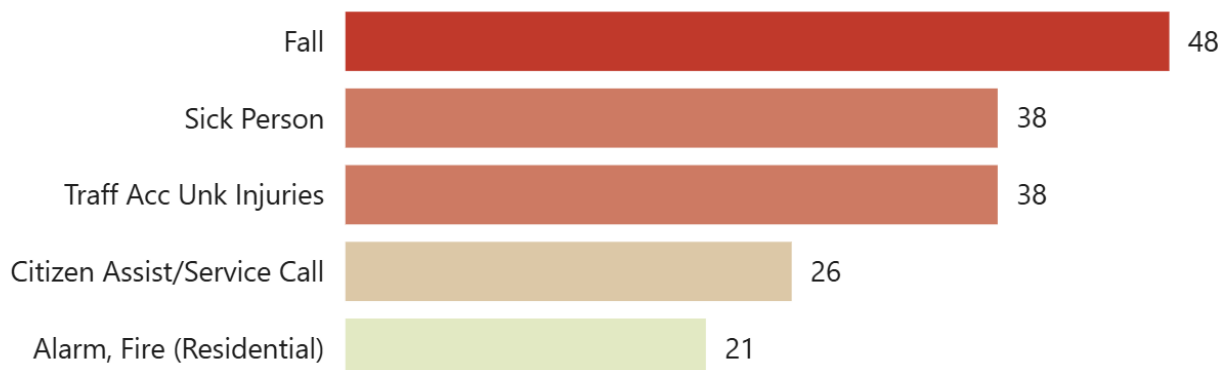


Incidents by Call Type – October 2026



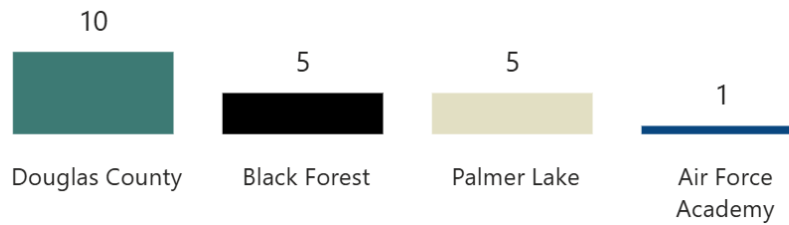
- *Fire calls include structure fires, outside fires, and others.*
- *Hazardous conditions include spills/leaks, chemical release, electric wiring/equipment problems.*
- *Public assistance includes a person in distress or assistance required (e.g., lift assist).*
- *Good intent includes canceled enroute, no emergency found, and controlled burn.*
- *Fire alarms include false alarms, system malfunctions, and unintentional system activation.*

Top 5 Calls by Subclass – September 2026

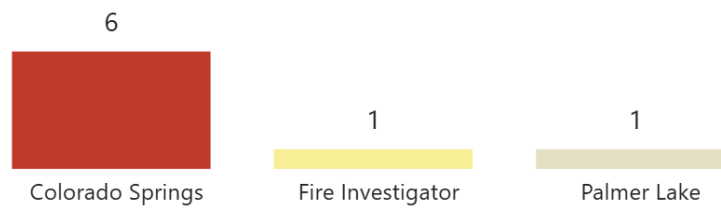




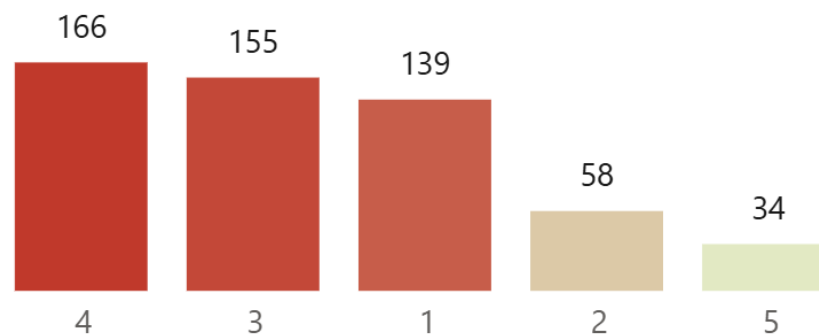
Ambulance Automatic/Mutual Aid Given – September 2026



Automatic/Mutual Aid Received – September 2026

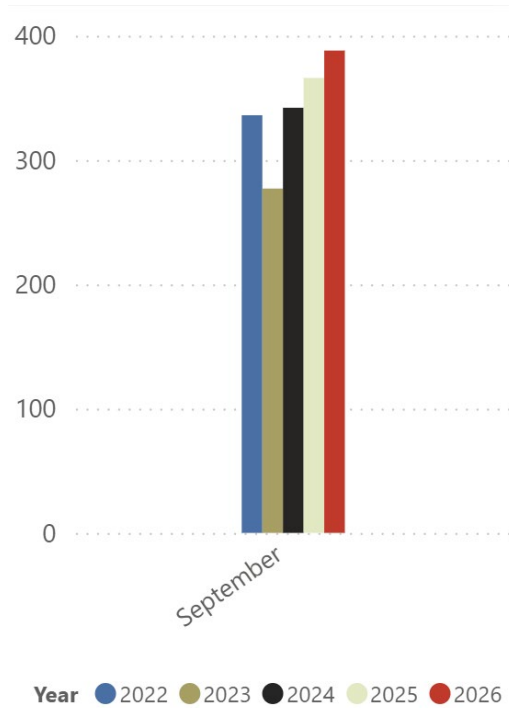


Calls Per Station - September 2026

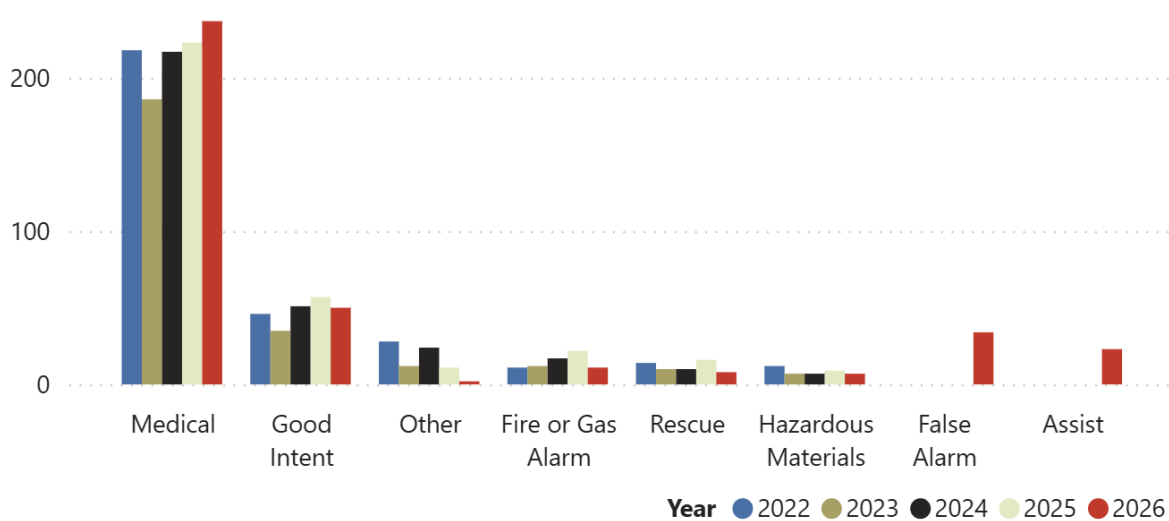




Month-to-Month Comparison of Total Incidents: 2022 - 2026 September



Year-To-Date Comparison: 2022 - 2026 – September (Top 8)





Support Services – Division Chief Jamey Bumgarner

Summary of Significant Events:

- Continued the 2027 budget preparation for Support Services.
- Supported the 25th 9/11 Anniversary events for the district
- Began the Station Alerting upgrades for Fire Station 1.

Support Services:

- Continued the weekly Owners, Architects, and Contractors (OAC) meeting for Fire Station 3.
- Continued working with the builder of the training tower to gather the engineered drawings to submit to PPRBD.

Fleet and Facilities:

- Ordered parts for repairs to Reserve Ladder 535.
- Placed the new engines in service.
- Preparations for winterizing district facilities began.

Community Risk Reduction – Division Chief Jonathan Bradley

Summary of Significant Events:

- Attended Black Forest area pine beetle infestation discussion with state and local government partners and private property owners.
- Attended Spruce Mountain Christian Academy annual gala.
- Attended Town of Monument 2040 Comprehensive Plan open house.
- Participated in firefighting cistern standardization and mapping project with El Paso County and regional fire departments.
- Participated in a strategic planning event with Tri-Lakes Cares for their organizational future.
- Assigned to Arizona Fire and Medical Authority as a peer reviewer for CPSE accreditation.
- Developed budget and application framework for Colorado State Forest Service 2027 grant cycle for updated mitigation equipment.
- Attended El Paso County Engineering Criteria Manual update working group.
- Attended Black Forest Vegetation Management and Wildfire Mitigation town hall with BFFR and MVEA.

Fire Inspections / Plan Review Services:

- Construction plan review and inspections continued with MFD staff.
- Annual compliance fire inspections continued for low, moderate, and high-risk occupancies.
- Participated in on-site code review of subdivision options with the Ben Lomand property.
- Attended EPC Fire Marshal's committee meeting.
- Attended HBA code review meeting.
- Attended HBA Tri-Lakes chapter meeting.

Fire Investigations

- Investigated one outside deck fire.
- Investigated two wildland fires.



Fire Inspection	#
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Fire Prevention (M)	13
Fire Safety	8
Fire Prevention (H)	5
Home Ignition Zone	4
MFD Fire Watch Required	2
WRC Permit	2
MFD Commercial Rooftop PV System	1
MFD Residential Roof Mount Photo Voltaic	1
MFD Residential Sprinkler	1
Total	37

Construction Permits	#
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WRC Permitting	14
Commercial Fire Alarm	5
Commercial Sprinkler System	2
Compressed Gas CO2	1
New Commercial Construction	1
Total	23

Public Events	Event Hours
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Public Relations	35.00
Public Education	3.00
Total	38.00
