



MONUMENT FIRE DISTRICT

Monthly Activity Report – March 2023

Submitted by Fire Chief Andy Kovacs

Serving with Character, Connection, and Commitment



Chief's Remarks

Several administrative staff attended the Center for Public Safety Excellence conference in Orlando, Florida.

On March 11, I attended the NEPCO meeting with Donald Wescott, Board President Gunderman, to discuss the consolidation and wildfire preparedness.

On March 11, I assisted the Town of Monument with Police Chief interviews.

On March 17, I attended the Tri-Lakes Chamber of Commerce quarterly luncheon.

On March 24, I assisted Larkspur Fire with Fire Chief interviews.

On March 27, Chief Bumgarner, Chief Bradley, and I met with the town of Palmer Lake to discuss the ambulance IGA.

On March 29th, staff attended a Zonehaven presentation.

I continue to attend the following local, regional, and national-level meetings:

- North El Paso County Fire Chiefs
- Pikes Peak Region Wildfire Preparedness
- Pikes Peak Mutual Aid
- Pikes Peak Fire Chiefs Council
- MFD/Monument Police Department Command Staff
- Colorado State Fire Chief's Town Hall & Legislative
- Labor/Management Meeting with Local 4319
- International Association of Fire Chiefs Human Relations Committee
- Center for Public Safety Excellence (CPSE) – peer reviewer
- Rocky Mountain Accreditation Consortium – co-chair
- International Association of Fire Chiefs Missouri Valley Division – Colorado representative



March Quick Facts

Number of Fire Incidents	Number of EMS Incidents	Training Hours Completed	Fire Inspections Completed
3	220	639	1
Major Incidents, Projects, and Events			
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• We continue to work with the property owners to secure land for Fire Station 3.• We continue to meet with the architect for the remodeling of Fire Stations 2, 4, and 5.• We continue to investigate options for a training tower.• We are continuing our efforts to complete our Community Risk Assessment and Standards of Cover for agency accreditation.• Two engines paid off in the amount of \$398,035 and \$426,967 per the 2023 Budget.			

Administration – Jennifer Martin

Upcoming Events & Notable Items:

- Battalion Chief Keough retirement – Saturday, May 13 at 0800 hours at Fire Station 1.
- Battalion Chief Dooley retirement – Wednesday, June 28 at 0800 hours at Fire Station 1.
- Local 4319 will be hosting the annual picnic this year. More details to follow.
- The EMS supplement has been completed and sent to the state.
- The audit for FY2022 is beginning for both districts.

Promotions/Change of Assignments:

- Nothing to report.

Hiring/Resignations/Leave of Absence:

- Carlos Amaya has been selected as the Fire Technician. He will start on April 24th.

Local 4319:

- The local has identified a student at Palmer Ridge and Lewis Palmer High Schools as recipients of its inaugural scholarship fund.



Operations – Division Chief Jonathan Bradley

Summary of Significant Events:

- Met with CSFD and Black Forest representatives to discuss a potential multi-agency training consortium.
- Regional fire dispatch steering committee: Continued discussions about changes to unit IDs, radio templates, and dispatch procedures.
- Attended Pikes Peak Mutual Aid meeting.
- Attended public safety recruitment day at Aims Community College.
- Participated in the Regional Incident Management Team steering meeting.
- Attended Zonehaven informational meeting.

Operations:

A Shift – Battalion Chief Coyle

- March 9 - Station 5 provided a tour for 12 students and six adults from a home school group, ages 3-7.
- March 15 - 514, 581, and 502 responded to a traumatic injury involving a two y/o. The child was transported to the hospital and is expected to recover fully. On March 20, 2023, the engine crew purchased a few “get well” gifts and delivered them to the child. The family and child were highly appreciative of the kind gesture.
- March 20 - 514, 585, 575, and 502 responded to a traffic accident on Highway 83/Shoup Rd with CSFD Engine 22. Crews located a single-vehicle accident approximately 150 yards off the roadway down an embankment. Crews utilized a litter to carry the patient through rough terrain to the ambulance.
- March 21 - Station 1 provided a tour for five preschool-age kids and three adults.

B Shift – Battalion Chief Branden

- March 7 – Station 2 hosted a tour for a group of preschool aged children.

C Shift – Battalion Chief Dooley

- Two engineers have been approved to proceed with their AIC LT Taskbook. Two firefighter/paramedics are also moving through the process.
- Rural water supply training.



Training – Battalion Chief Mola

Summary of Significant Events:

- CPSE Excellence Conference, Orlando, FL.
- EMS annual physician testing with North Group.
- High-voltage training with Mountain View Electric.

Summary of Training Events:

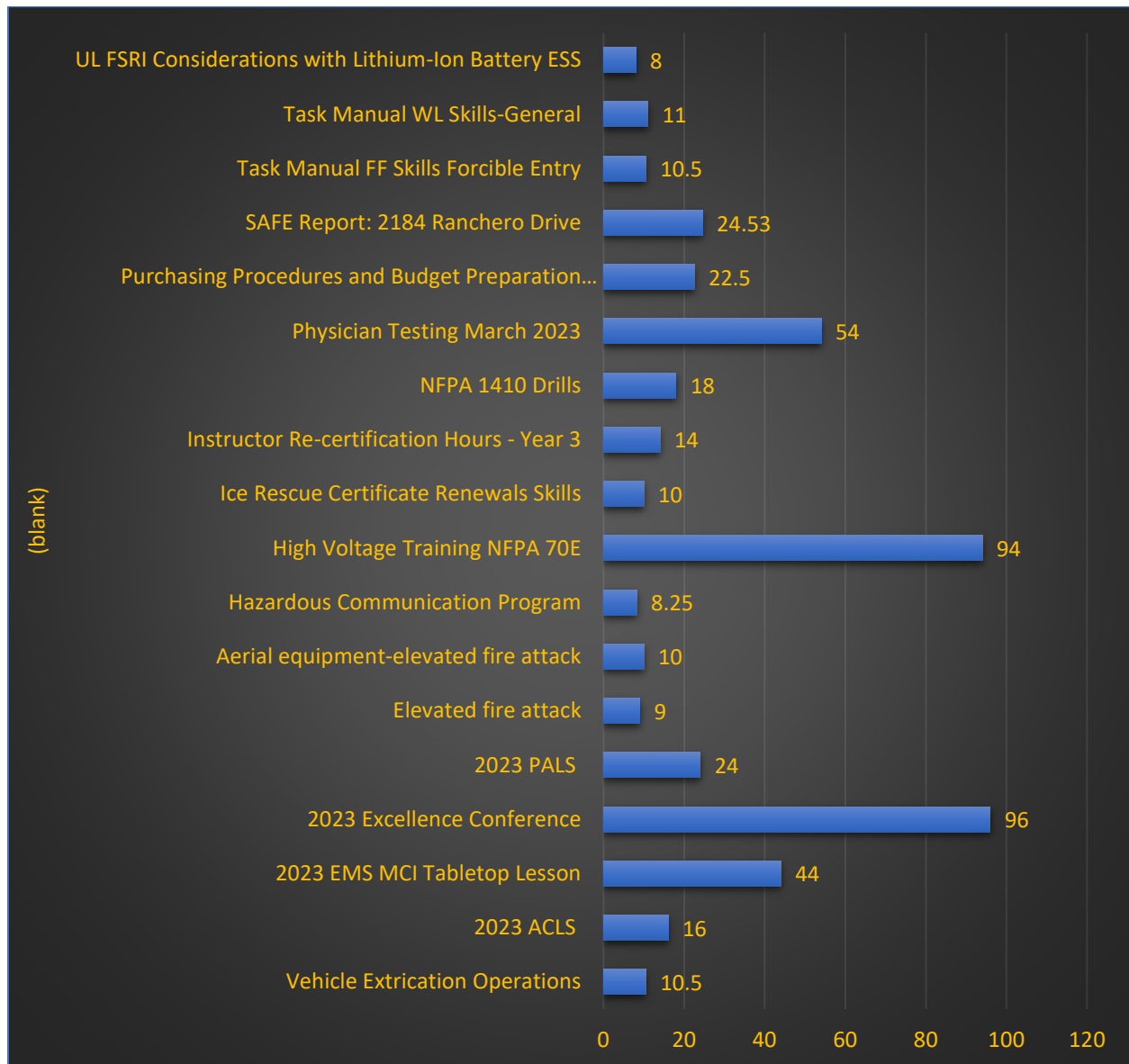
- CPSE discussion w/ program managers.
- MCI tabletop exercises.
- Yoga for First Responders (YFFR).

Training Plan for the Month:

- Drafting training.
- Wildland pack tests.
- Peer support training.
- Live fire training with CSFD 23-01.
- Drone training.
- EMS North Group airway training.
- CSFD 23-01 search, forcible entry, and hose management training at BFFD.
- MFD and BFFD live fire training (2nd floor, center hallway).



Training hours for the month of March –639 Training Hours.



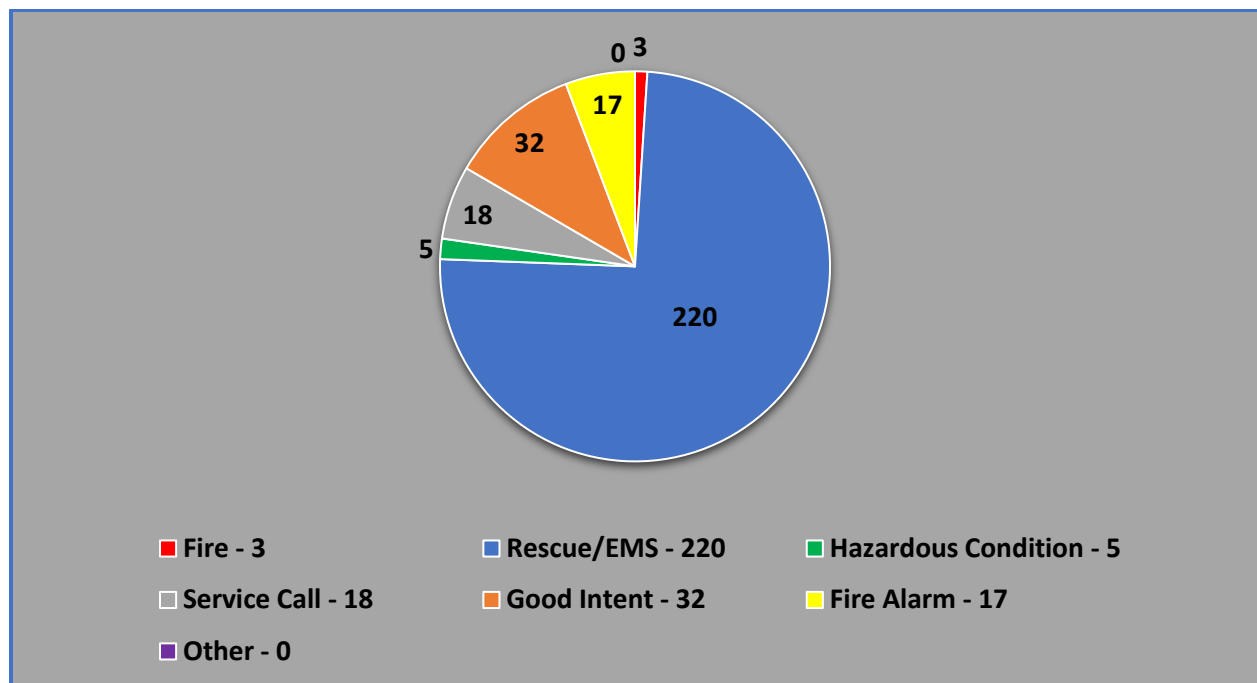


Emergency Medical Services – Battalion Chief Pearson/EMS Coordinator Soll

Summary of Significant Events:

- The EMS Division completed a tabletop training exercise with each shift and station covering the new MCI SOG and regional plan.
- Firefighter/Paramedic Boyce has coordinated with CSFD to use Monument Ambulances and personnel along with CSFD to film a video on how to use Pulsara that will be distributed throughout the region.
- BC Pearson was invited to participate in an El Paso County Health Department group revising the county plan to respond to radiological and chemical attacks. Members of this group also toured the CHEMPACK stockpile, which can supply large amounts of chemical exposure antidotes to a scene.
- The EMS Division continues to attend the RETAC, Region IV Prehospital, Physician Advisor, and ESF-8 meetings.

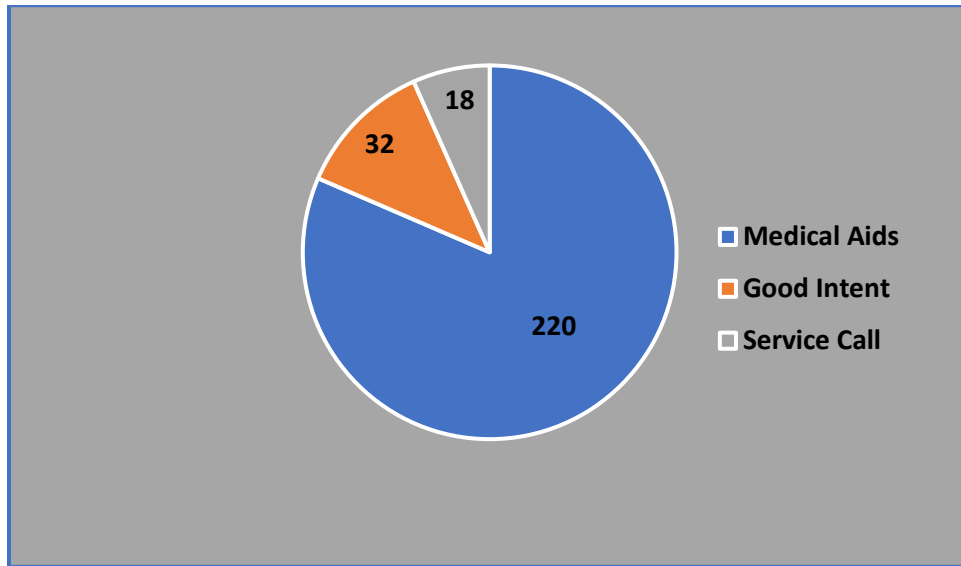
Incidents by Call Type



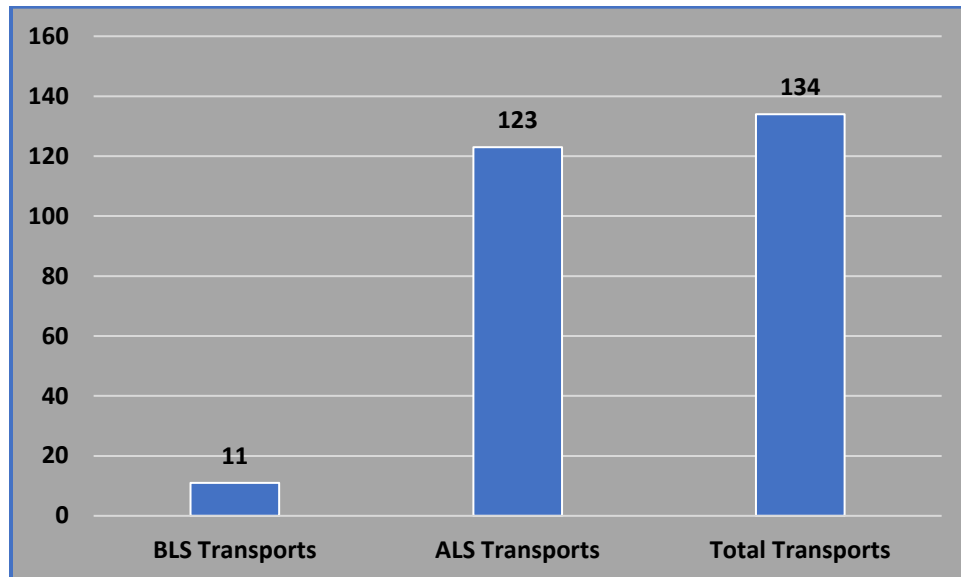
- Fire calls include structure fires, outside fires, and other.
- Hazardous conditions include spills/leaks, chemical release, electric wiring/equipment problems.
- Public assistance includes a person in distress or assistance required (e.g., lift assist).
- Good intent includes canceled enroute, no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



Incidents – Top 3 Response Categories

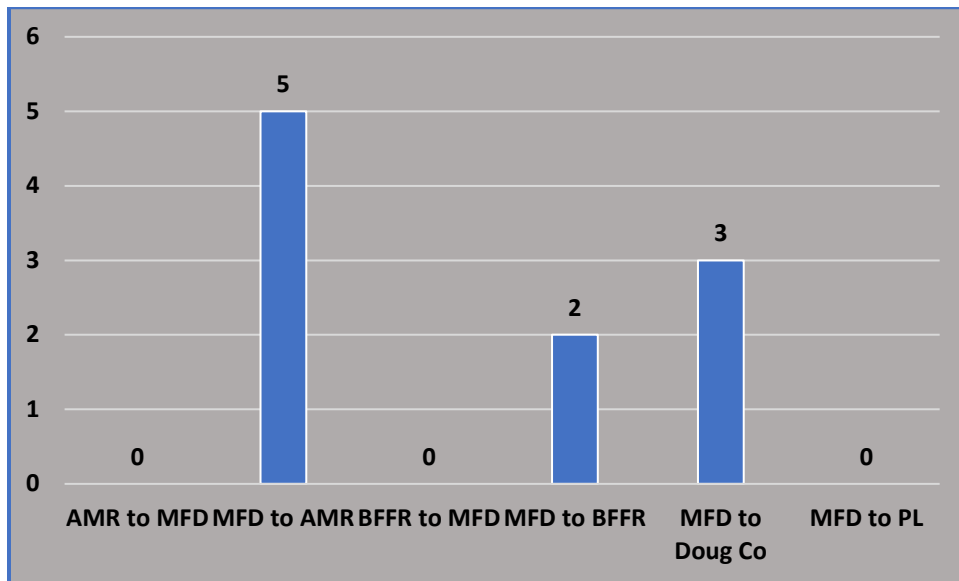


Ambulance Transports



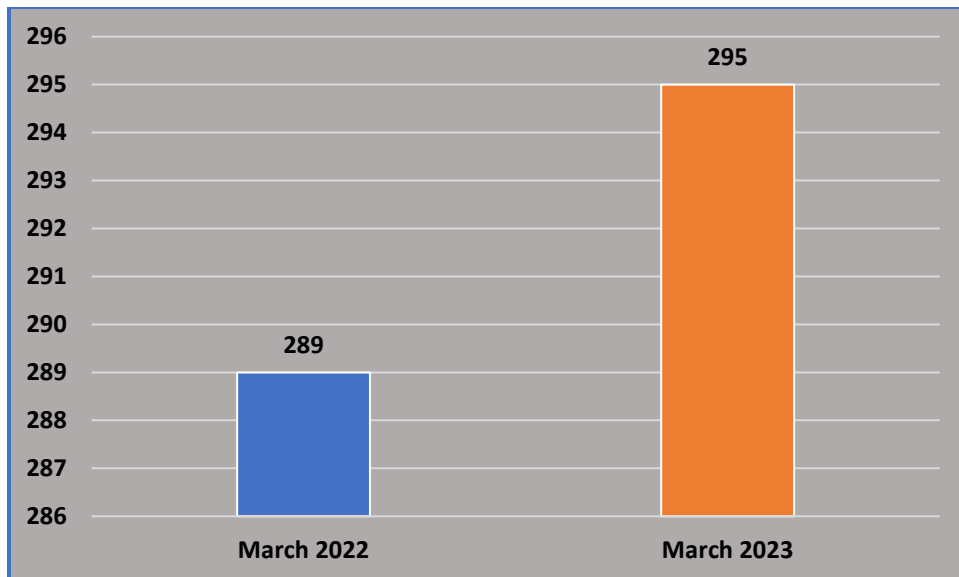


Ambulance Automatic/Mutual Aid



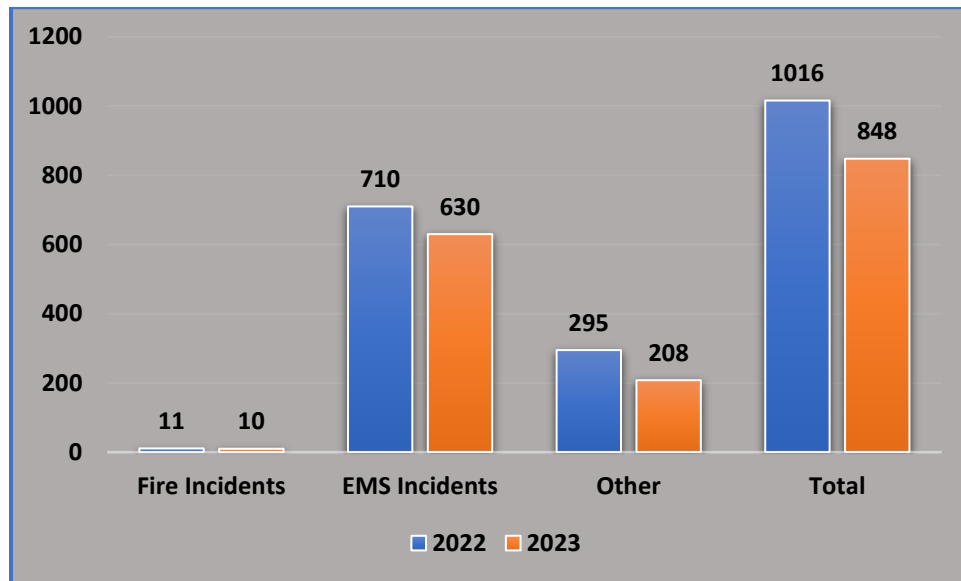
Calls are dispatched and enroute, and do not consider cancellations.
TLM to AMR – 3 calls accepted.

Month-to-Month Comparison – Total Incidents





Year-To-Date Comparison – 2022/2023





Administration – Division Chief Jamey Bumgarner

Summary of Significant Events:

- Finalized the job offer for the fire technician position and have prepared for their start date of April 24th.
- Hosted the quarterly budget meeting with the various budget coordinators.
- An RFP was presented for a snowplowing contract.
- Continuing to work with architects for the district's facility projects.
- Continuing to work on fleet and facility acquisitions for 2023 and 2024.

Public Education / Community Outreach:

- Participated in the Emergency Preparedness Day at Palmer Ridge High School.
- Finalized the 2023 Community Chipping Schedule for staff and citizens.

Fire Inspections / Plan Review Services:

- Completed a fire final on one large multi-family building.
- Continuing to work with the Town of Monument Development Review Team over commercial developments.
- Met with the HBA to introduce the new 2021 International Fire Code (IFC) with amendments.
- Met with two developers regarding large upcoming projects within the district.

Fire Investigations:

- Continuing to meet monthly with the Pikes Peak Fire Investigation Task Force.
- Assisted our staff with NIFRS reports and requests regarding two recent fire incidents.

Accreditation – Accreditation Manager Scott Ridings

Logistics – Lieutenant Chris Keough

Fleet:

- The radios, MDT, and cradle point have been installed on the new engine.
- The Humvee is being “decommissioned” and will be sold.
- In the process of titling the former DWFD vehicles through the DMV.

Facilities:

- Fire Station 1
 - No current projects.
- Fire Station 2
 - Still awaiting parts for the garage door opener. The door is still in service.
- Fire Station 3
 - No current projects.
- Fire Station 4
 - No current projects.
- Fire Station 5
 - Replacement overhead cord reels have arrived to replace broken drop cords.



Information Technology:

- Nothing to report.

Personal Protective Equipment / Tools & Equipment:

- PPE is going out for annual cleaning.