



MONUMENT FIRE DISTRICT

Monthly Activity Report – November/December 2023

Submitted by Fire Chief Andy Kovacs

Serving with Character, Connection, and Commitment



Chief's Remarks

On November 8, I reviewed a Chief Fire Officer (CFO) application for the Center for Public Safety Excellence.

On November 9, command staff with Monument PD and Palmer PD/FD to discuss emergency management concepts.

On November 13, Chief Bumgarner and I met with our owner's representative to discuss the Fire Station 3 land purchase agreement.

On November 16, command staff attended the Pikes Peak College Recruit Academy press conference with Black Forest Fire Rescue.

On December 6, command staff met with the architects to discuss the site plan for the training center.

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 – 2nd Vice-President



November/December Quick Facts

Number of Fire Incidents	Number of EMS Incidents	Training Hours Completed	Fire Inspections Completed
6/2	216/271	577/593	5
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.• The Fire Station 5 remodel is nearing completion.• We are moving forward with the site development for the training center property.• We are continuing our efforts to complete our Community Risk Assessment and Standards of Cover for agency accreditation.• The Type 3 has been delivered to the district.			

Administration – Jennifer Martin

Upcoming Events & Notable Items:

- The 2023 Awards and Recognition Ceremony is on January 14th.

Promotions/Change of Assignments:

- Lieutenant Leonhardt was selected as the new Fleet and Facilities Lieutenant.

Hiring/Resignations/Leave of Absence:

- In 2023, four employees left the organization, and the district hired seven new employees.
- Firefighter Benoit resigned to take a position with Colorado Springs FD.

Local 4319:

- The L4139 Executive Board is pleased to announce the addition of Charles Ragland. Charles previously served on the Wescott Firefighters Executive Board and is a welcome addition. Our members were pleased to see members of both fire districts' Boards of Directors at the annual awards dinner. We appreciate the kind words from President Gunderman and VP Dr. Hildebrant and look forward to another productive year working with the district.



Operations – Division Chief Jonathan Bradley

Summary of Significant Events:

- Participated in the Pikes Peak Incident Management Team Steering Committee Meeting.
- Public relations meeting to market the Pikes Peak Regional Fire Academy.
- Began planning for 2025 operational staffing.
- Met with local law enforcement leadership to discuss shared emergency management opportunities.
- Attended St Anthony paramedic advisory committee meeting.
- Attended Pike’s prescribed burn complexity analysis meeting with USFS personnel.
- Participated in the Pikes Peak Fire Academy groundbreaking ceremony.
- Met with Black Forest leadership to discuss closest unit response between the two agencies.
- Participated in the lieutenant promotional process as an evaluator for Fountain Fire.
- Participated in the Monument lieutenant promotional process.
- Attended the monthly HBA meeting.
- Began training process for First Due software.

Operations:

A Shift – Battalion Chief Coyle

- On 11/3, Station 1 provided a station tour for 15 homeschooled kids of various ages.
- On 11/3, MFD responded to a fuel spill on I-25. Crews found a punctured saddle tank on a commercial vehicle with 55 gallons of diesel in the tank. Crews captured the diesel using a HazMat popup pool and coordinated with CSP Hazmat to mitigate the problem.
- On 11/3, 585 provided medical standby for a Lewis-Palmer football game.
- On 11/4, MFD responded to a working vehicle fire on I-25/County Line.
- On 11/9, 514 provided a joint FD/PD escort of the Lewis-Palmer High School Volleyball team to I-25/County Line for a state tournament.
- On 11/10, Station 1 provided a station tour for two children.
- On 11/16, 512 attended the Joint Fire Academy Groundbreaking ceremony for the Fire Academy at Black Forest.
- On 11/22, MFD responded to a fall from the roof to the inside 1st floor that was under construction with no interior or exterior stairs. Crews used ladders and stokes to extricate the patient to the exterior of the residence.
- On 12/9, Station 1 hosted a dinner and fire truck ride for a family that won a silent auction at St. Peters.
- On 12/16, Station 4 judged the Pleasant View Estates Christmas light displays.

B Shift – Battalion Chief Branden

- On 11/08, MFD responded to I-25 for a semi-truck that lost a rear wheel and impacted a vehicle head-on. The driver sustained serious injuries and was transported by 581.
- On 11/20, MFD and Black Forest Fire attended technical/heavy vehicle shoring training.
- On 12/01, 513 escorted the Palmer Ridge Football team to the finals.
- On 12/02, 531 brought Mr. and Mrs. Claus to Limbaugh Park for the tree lighting ceremony.
- On 12/07, 513 escorted the LPHS Cheerleaders for state finals.



- On 12/20, MFD assisted with Santa on Patrol.

C Shift – Battalion Chief Mola

- On 11/05, we participated in the EPSO SAR tracked vehicle training at Station 1.
- On 11/11, MFD participated in a flag retirement ceremony at the Jackson Creek Senior Living Facility.
- On 11/17, 512 responded automatic aid to Franktown for a deck fire. 512 was instrumental in the outcome of the fire.



Training – Battalion Chief Balvanz

November

Summary of Significant Events:

- Hose testing.
- Line of Duty Death (LODD) case review.
- Snowplow training.

Summary of Training Events:

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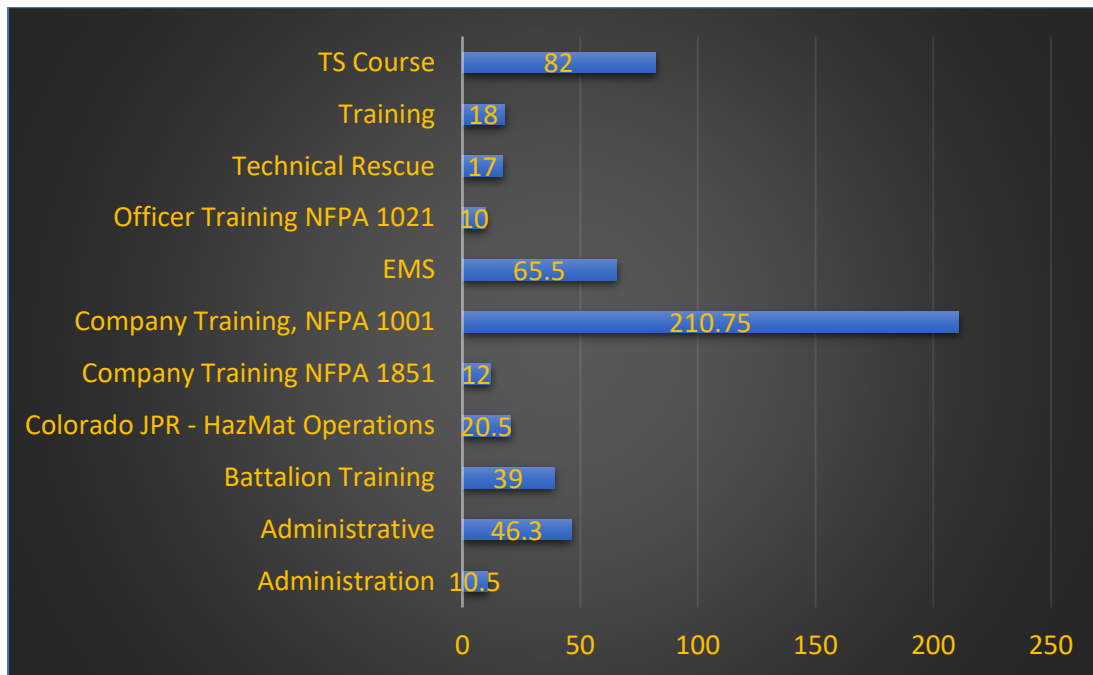
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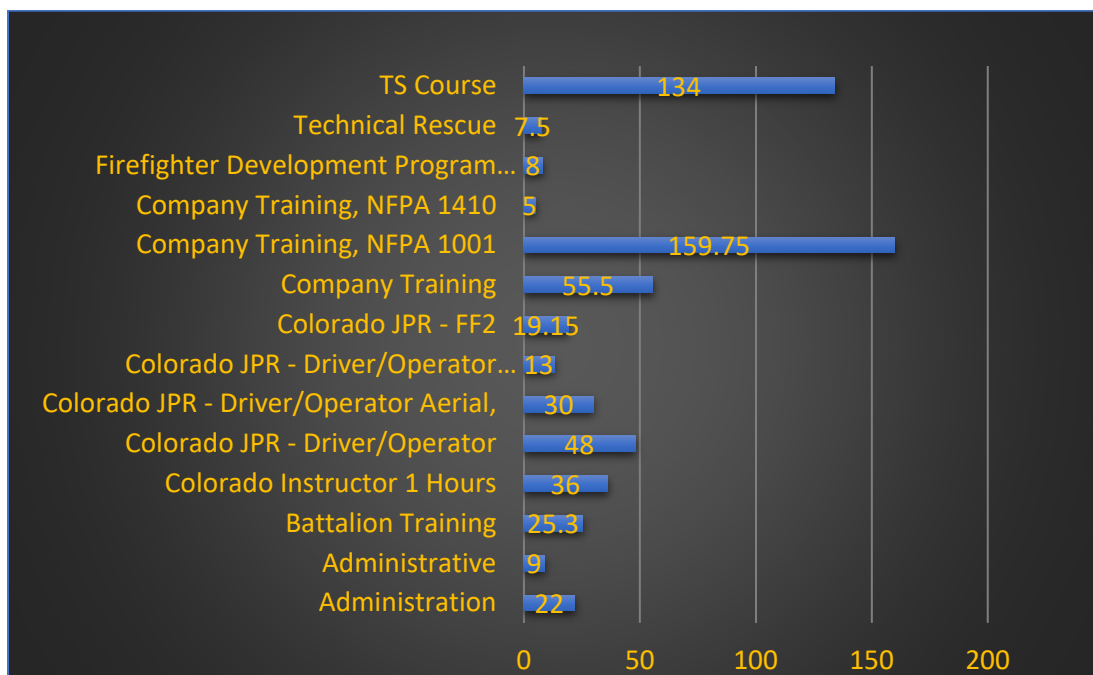
- Ice rescue training.
- EMS – burns.
- Specialty EMS series training.
- Establish and coordinate the roles and responsibilities of the EMS educator and Training Lieutenant.



Training hours for November – 577 Training Hours.



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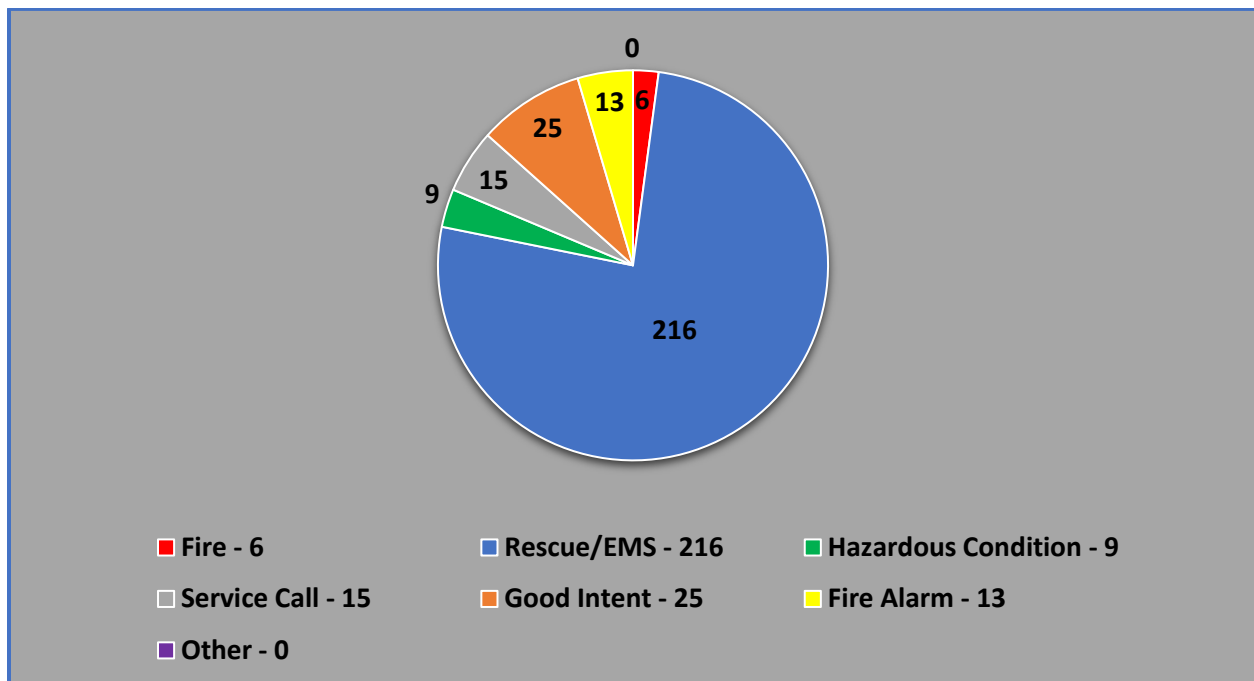
Emergency Medical Services – Battalion Chief Pearson/EMS Coordinator Soll

Summary of Significant Events:

- The new AEV ambulance arrived and passed the county inspection. The ambulance will be placed into service in January.

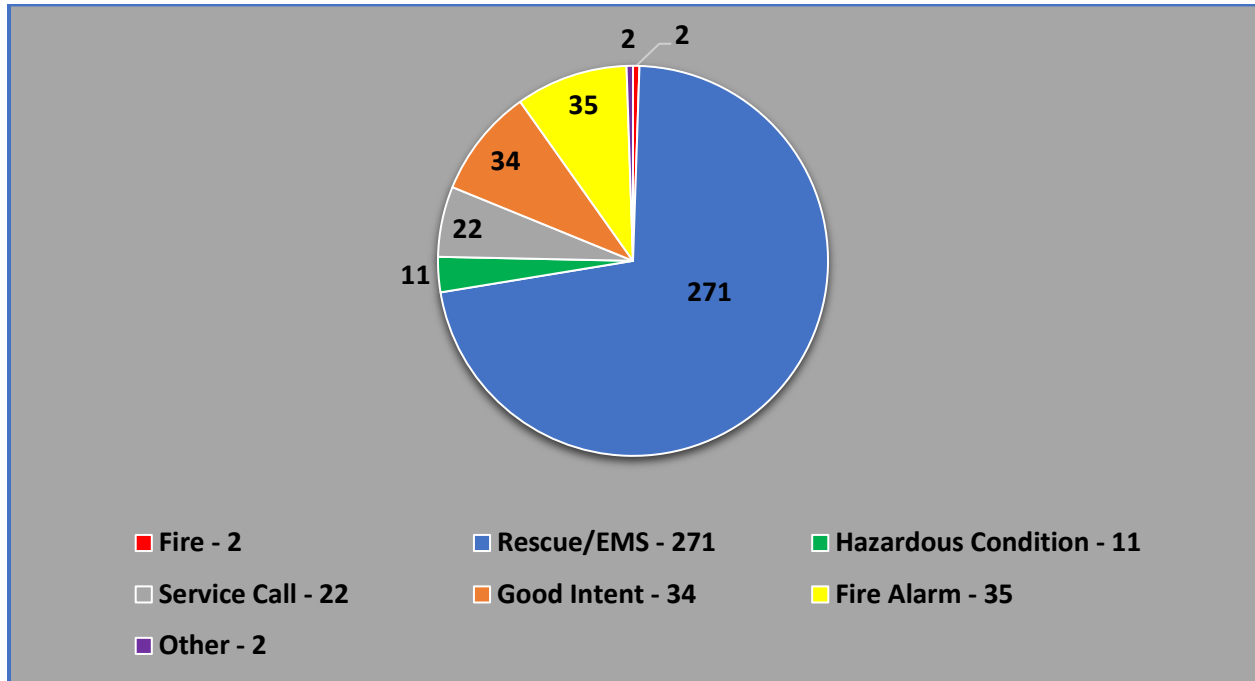


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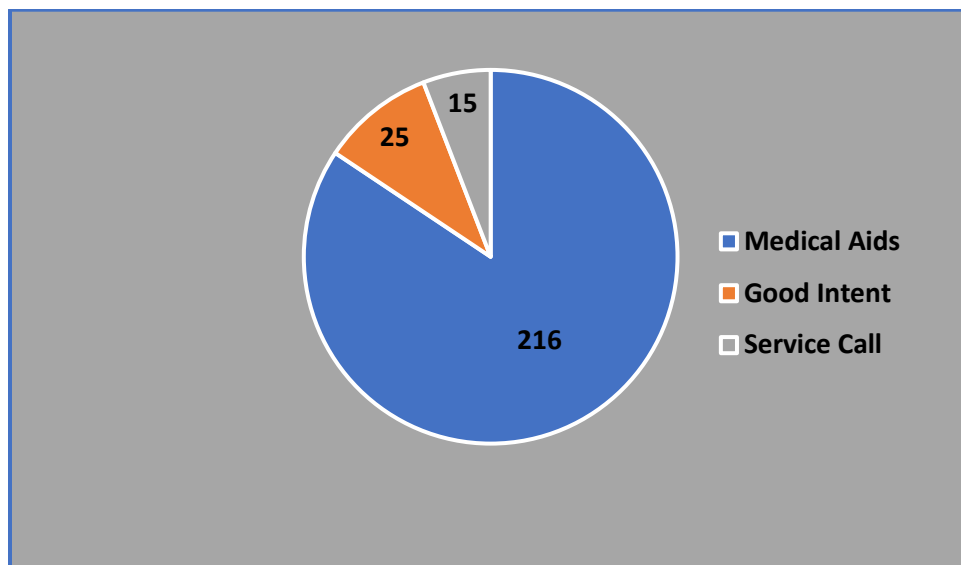


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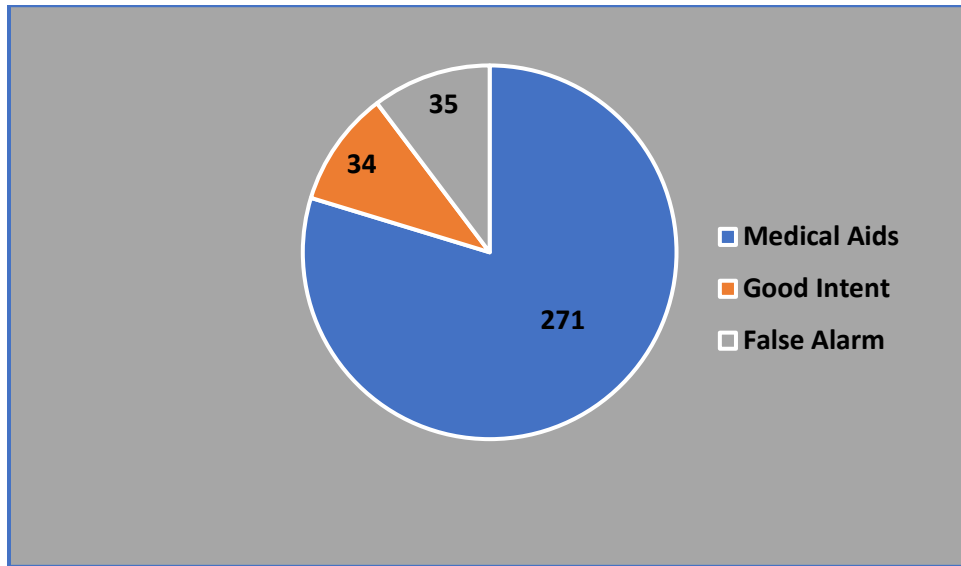
- Fire calls include structure fires, outside fires, and others.
- Hazardous conditions include spills/leaks, chemical release, electric wiring/equipment problems.
- Public assistance includes a person in distress or assistance required (e.g., lift assist).
- Good intent includes canceled enroute, no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

Incidents – Top 3 Response Categories – November

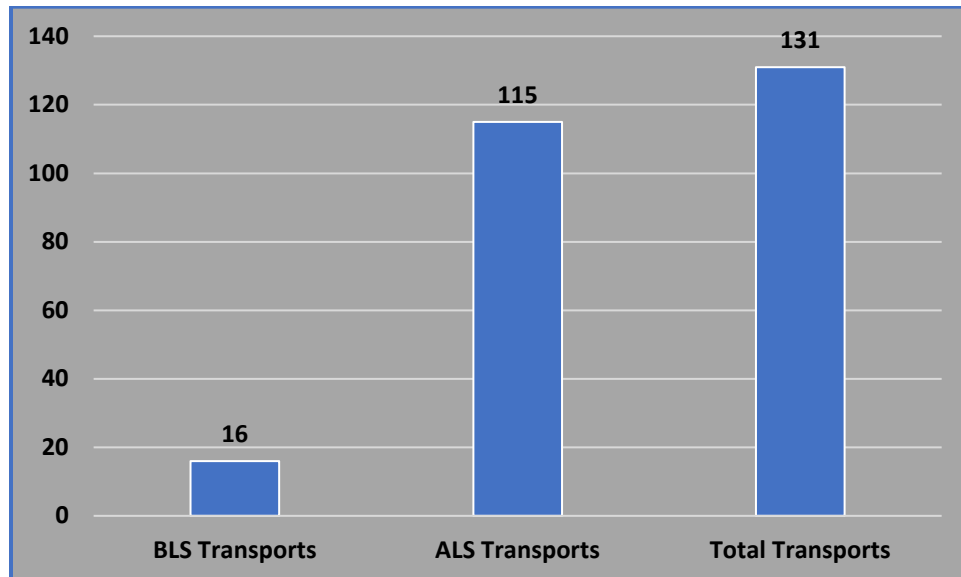




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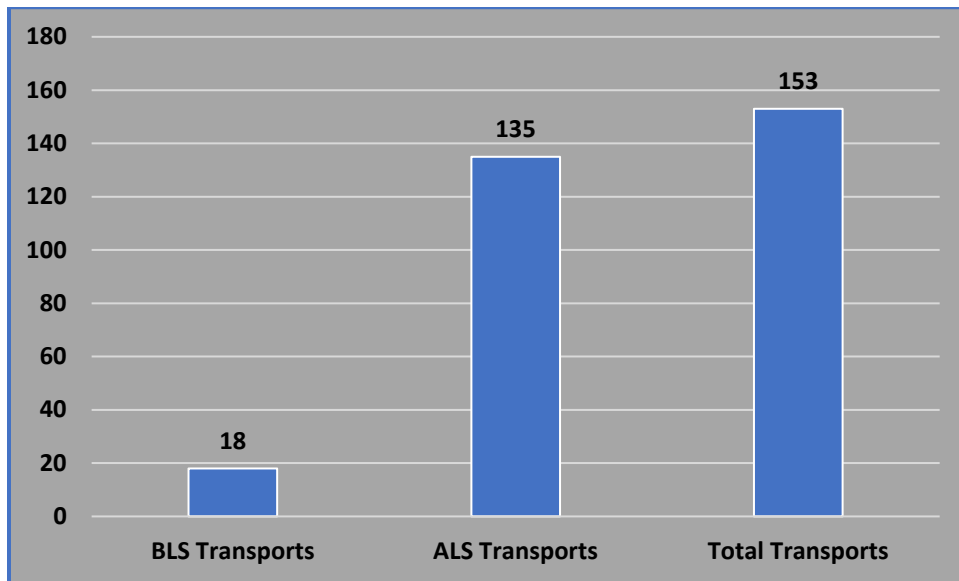


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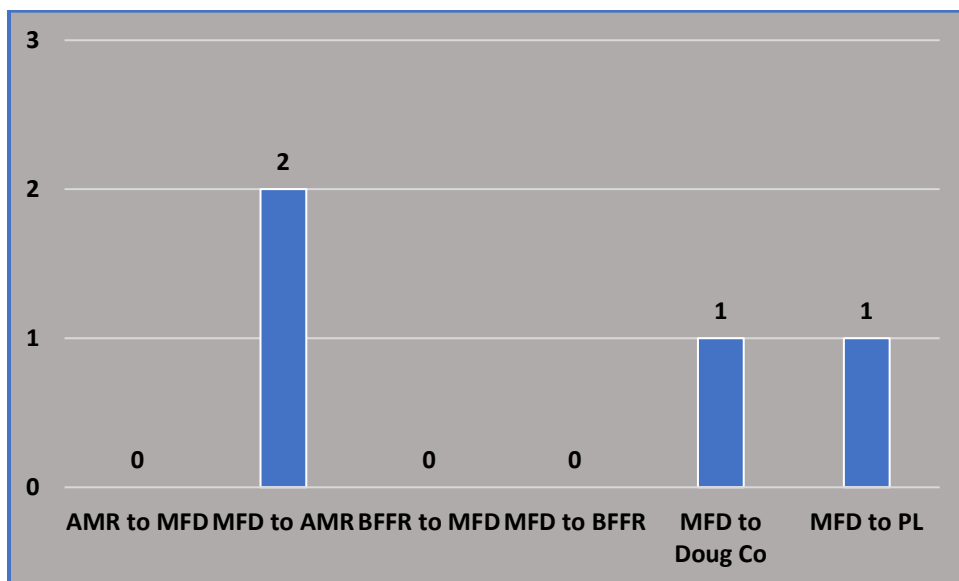




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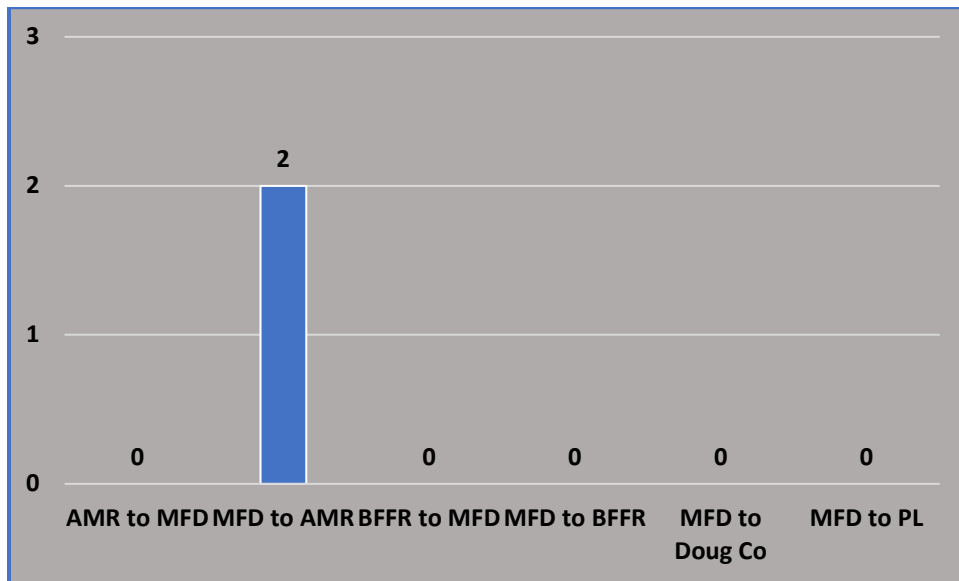


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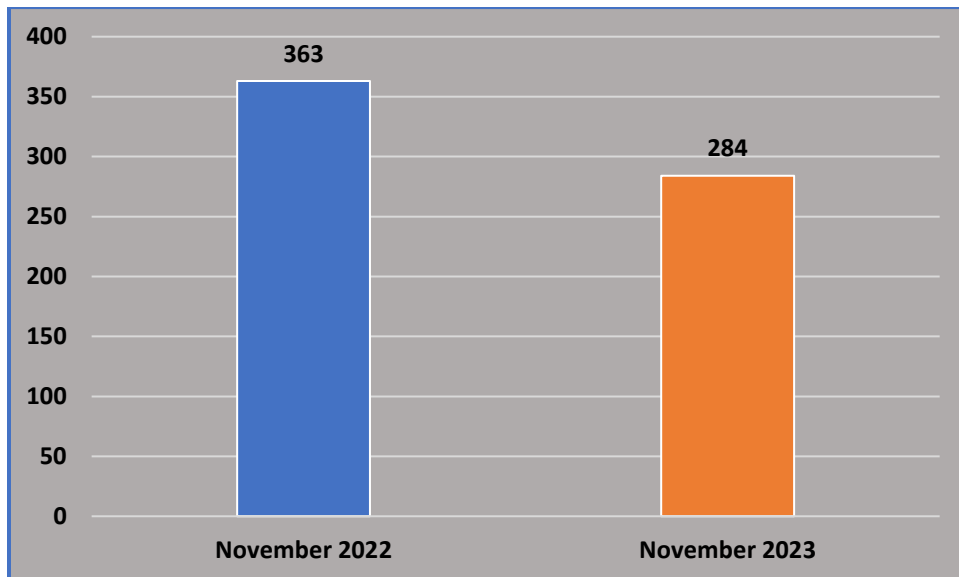


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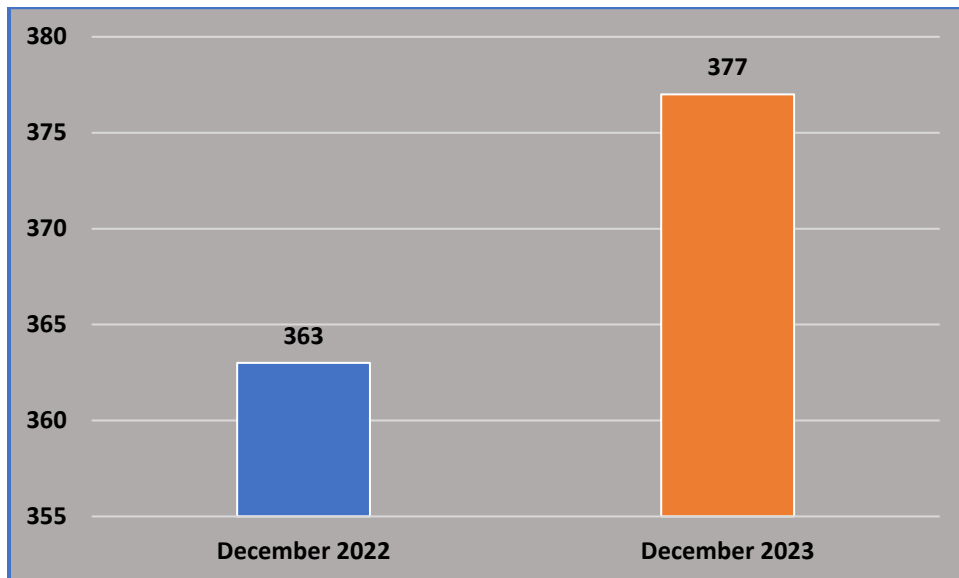
Calls are dispatched and enroute, and do not consider cancellations.
TLM to AMR – all calls accepted.

Month-to-Month Comparison – Total Incidents – November

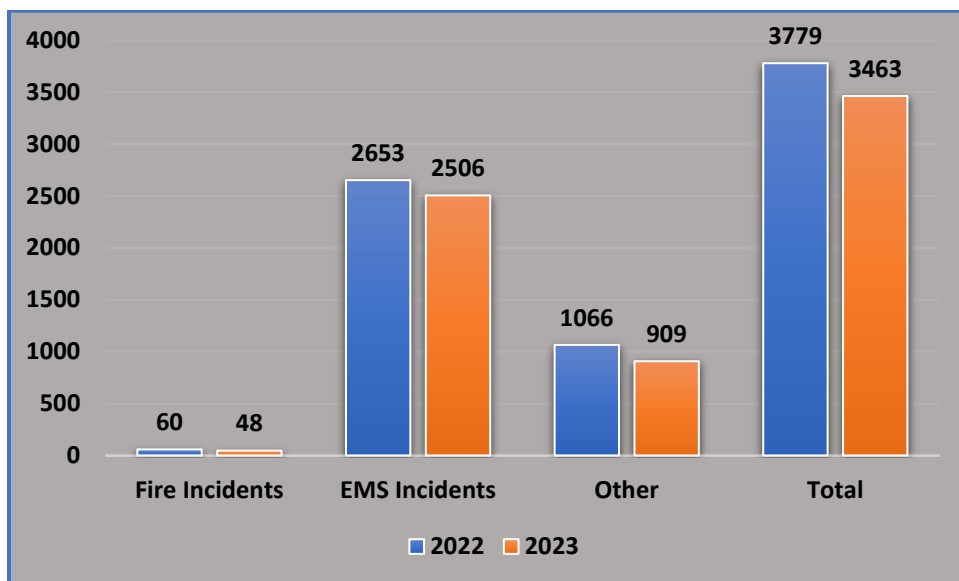




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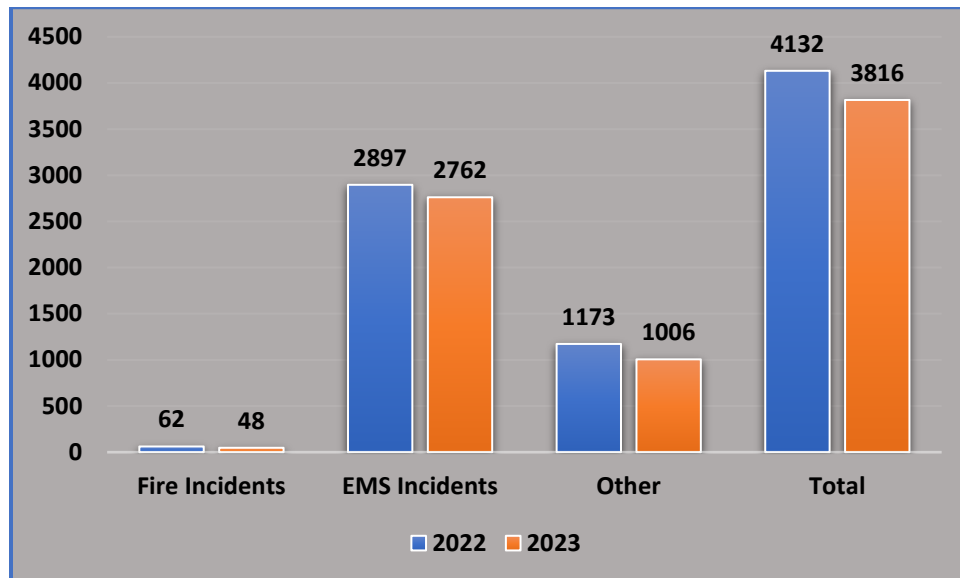


Year-To-Date Comparison – 2022/2023 – November





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Administration – Division Chief Jamey Bumgarner

Summary of Significant Events:

- The final inspection of the new Type 3 Engine was completed.
- Facilitated the first quarter budget planning meetings.

Public Education / Community Outreach:

- Met with several builders about current and upcoming projects in the district.
- Worked to refine the project scopes for fleet and facilities in 2024.

Fire Inspections / Plan Review Services:

- Continue to meet with the Town of Monument Development Review Team over commercial developments.
- Completed fire finals on two commercial properties and conducted several in-process inspections for a multi-family project.

Administrative Services:

- Fire Station 3:
 - MFD, NV5, OZ, and the developer met with Town Planning & Engineering on 10/27/23 to introduce the “project” and to seek feedback about the subdivision and public improvement process.
 - The town advised that a plat, public improvement agreement, and subdivision improvement agreement will be required of the developer/seller.
 - The developer/seller must also complete a major subdivision process. This entire process is estimated to take 6-9 months.



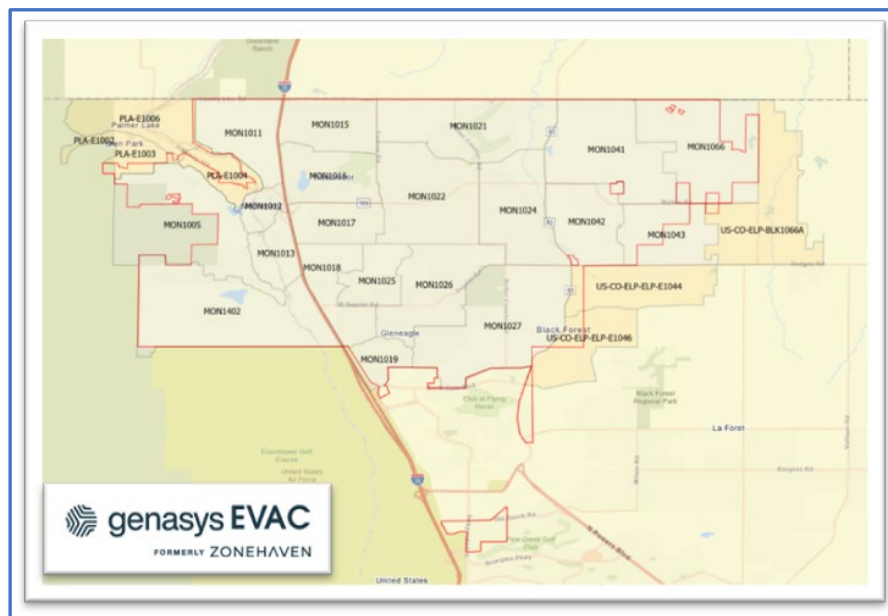
- The seller and MFD have been negotiating the purchase and development agreements. The sale price will be fixed at fair market value, and an updated appraisal will be required before closing. The board will be asked to review and take action on these agreements in the February board meeting.
- MFD and our owner's representative (NV5) will meet to revise the program plan for the project and kick off the design phase with a charette. This will be an all-day, immersive experience, and the attendees will learn more about fire station design best practices and participate in work sessions to define the needs and operations requirements of the site and each building component. NV5 will coordinate the attendees list with the Fire Chief.

Fire Investigations:

- Continue to meet monthly with the Pikes Peak Fire Investigation Task Force.

Accreditation – Accreditation Manager Scott Ridings

- Genysas EVAC, formerly Zonehaven, has been implemented and is operational to inform residents of any needs during an emergency. Genysas Protect EVAC enables responding agencies to react swiftly, make collaborative decisions, and communicate event status in real-time to dispatch, other agencies, businesses, and the public during an emergency. Determining and communicating the proper scope of a response or evacuation, replacing guesswork with data-driven intelligence. With EVAC, it enables faster and more precise emergency response and evacuation. The Multi-Threat Planning & Modeling tool models behaviors to plan for effective responses and/or evacuation scenarios covering emergencies like wildfires, floods, active shooters, hurricanes, and more.





Logistics – Lieutenant Curt Leonhardt

Fleet:

- Type 3 delivered.
- Ambulance delivered.
- Working to outfit both units for an in-service date in 2024.

Facilities:

- Fire Station 1
 - Continue working with the civil engineer to connect the water line to the station.
- Fire Station 2
 - Working with a vendor to provide curb stops and strip parking lot.
- Fire Station 3
 - Nothing to report.
- Fire Station 4
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- Fire Station 5
 - Remodel is nearly completed. The move-in date will be January 2024.
- Fire Station 6
 - Continue to improve the facility for vehicle and equipment storage.



New Type 3 Model 34 from BME.