



2025 ANNUAL REPORT



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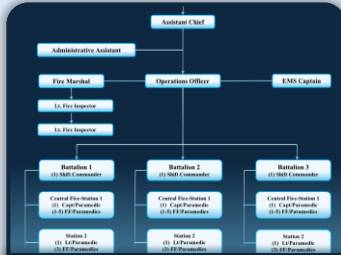
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LADDER CO.

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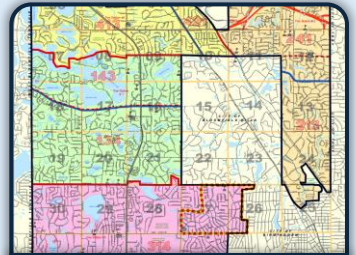
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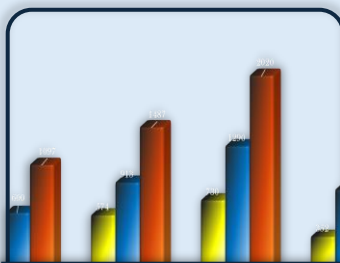
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Fire Chiefs Report



It is my honor to present this year's annual report on behalf of the members of the Bloomfield Township Fire Department. This report reflects not only the work we have accomplished over the past year, but also the continued trust and support of the community that we are proud to serve.

Over the past year, our Department has remained steadfast in its mission to protect life, property, and the environment. Our personnel responded to a wide range of emergencies including fires, medical incidents, hazardous conditions, and public service calls. Each response represents a commitment to professionalism, compassion, and excellence—values that guide everything we do.

Beyond emergency response, we have continued to invest in prevention and preparedness. Through community outreach programs, fire safety education, inspections, and training initiatives we strive to reduce risk and enhance public awareness. These efforts are critical in building a safer community and reducing the impact of emergencies before they occur.

This year also brought a continued focus on training and development. Our firefighters and fire officers participated in ongoing education to maintain the highest level of readiness. From advanced technical rescue skills to evolving medical protocols, our team is committed to staying prepared for the complex challenges of the modern emergency services.

We have also made important progress in maintaining and improving our equipment and infrastructure. Ensuring that our personnel have reliable tools and safe facilities is essential to effective service delivery. These investments reflect our responsibility to both our firefighters and the residents we serve.

None of this would be possible without the dedication of our members. I am continually inspired by their courage, resilience and unwavering commitment to duty. I also want to recognize the support of our elected officials, mutual aid partners and community members. Your collaboration and trust are vital to our success.

As we look ahead, we remain focused on strengthening our capabilities, enhancing community engagement and adapting to the evolving needs of our community. We are proud of the work we have done, but we are equally committed to continuous improvement.

On behalf of the entire department, thank you for your continued support. It is a privilege to serve you.

Respectfully,

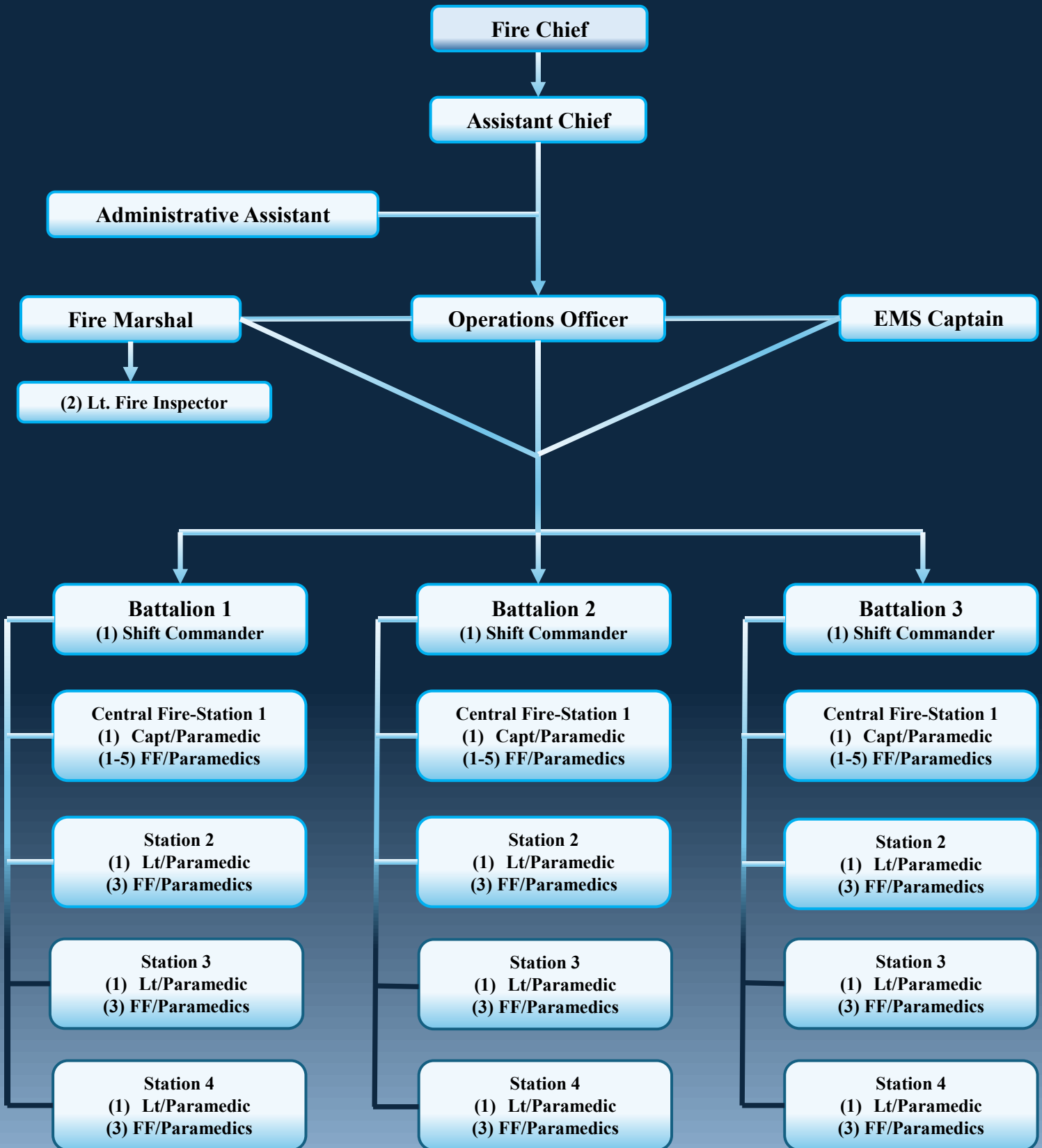
John LeRoy

Fire Chief

Bloomfield Township Fire Department



Organizational Chart



Bloomfield Township Fire Stations



STATION 1

1155 EXETER, BLOOMFIELD HILLS, MI 48302
REMODELED: 2009

RESOURCES AVAILABLE:

Battalion 1, Engine 1, Tower 1, Squad 1 Rescue 1
and Boat 1



STATION 2

1063 WESTVIEW, BLOOMFIELD HILLS, MI 48304
REMODELED: 2009

RESOURCES AVAILABLE:

Engine 2 and Rescue 2



STATION 3

4151 WEST MAPLE, BLOOMFIELD HILLS, MI 48301
REMODELED: 1978

RESOURCES AVAILABLE:

Engine 3, Rescue 3 and Reserve Engine 6



STATION 4

2389 FRANKLIN, BLOOMFIELD HILLS, MI 48304
BUILT 2000

RESOURCES AVAILABLE:

Ladder 4, Rescue 4, Reserve Engine 5,
Reserve Rescue 5



ADMINISTRATION OFFICES

1155 EXETER, BLOOMFIELD HILLS, MI 48302

RESOURCES AVAILABLE:

Fire Chief, Assistant Chief, Operations Officer, Fire
Marshal, EMS Captain, Fire Inspector 1,
Fire Inspector 2

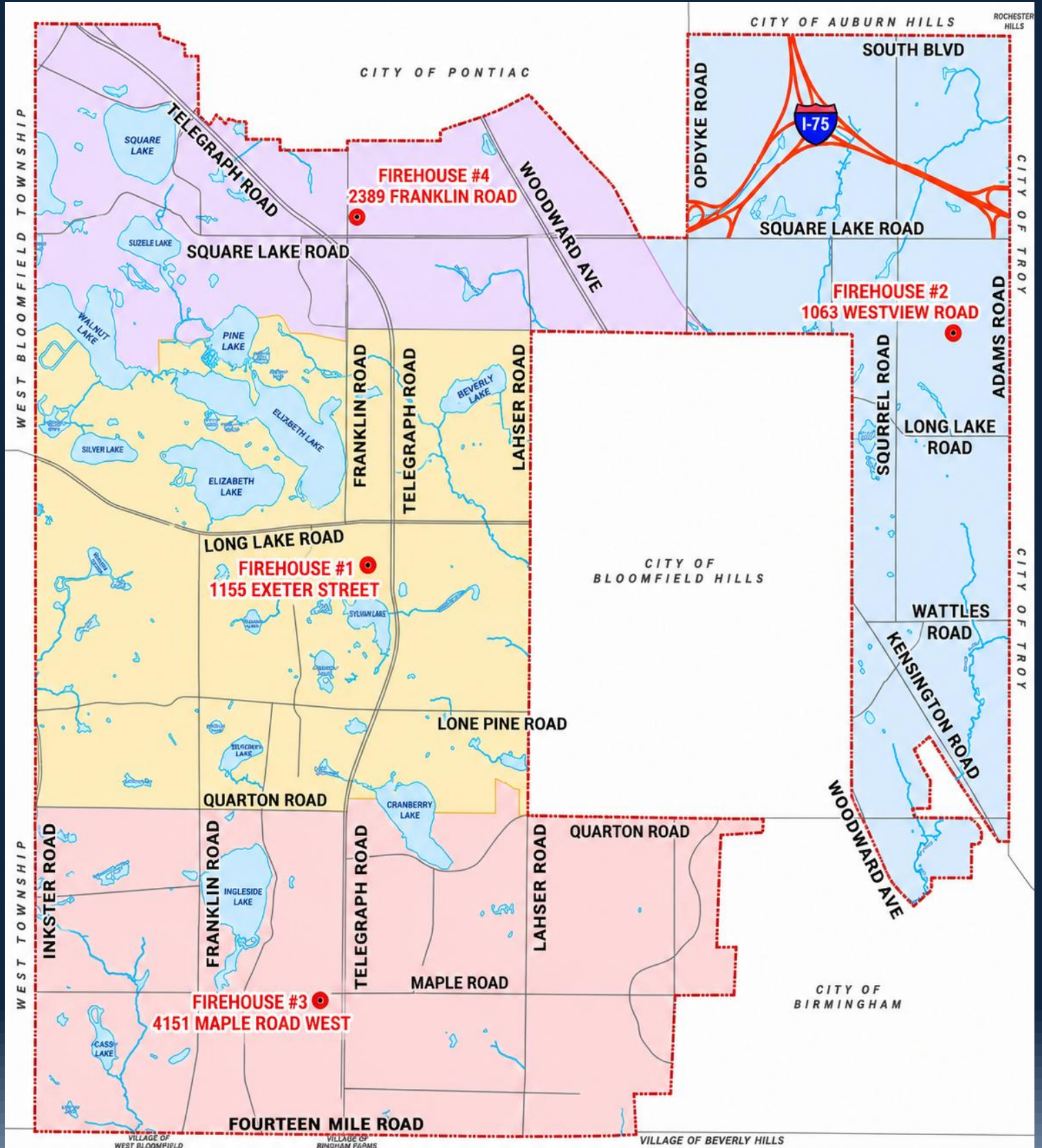
Mission

**The Mission of
the Bloomfield
Township Fire
Department is
to protect
lives, property
and the
environment
through
prompt,
skillful,
innovative fire
and life safety
services with
compassion
and respect**

Values

Accountability
Integrity
Empathy
Preparedness
Respect
Teamwork
Humility

Bloomfield Township



Bloomfield Township

26 SQUARE MILES

44,000 RESIDENTS

16,804 RESIDENTIAL STRUCTURES

48.3 YEARS MEDIAN AGE (Oakland County is 36)

Oldest Median Age in Oakland County

***Longest Recognized Township in
Oakland County, Established 1827***

*FIRE HYDRANT
PROGRAM*



Bloomfield Township

FIRE HYDRANTS

PAINTED: 652

WINTER CHECKS: 6195

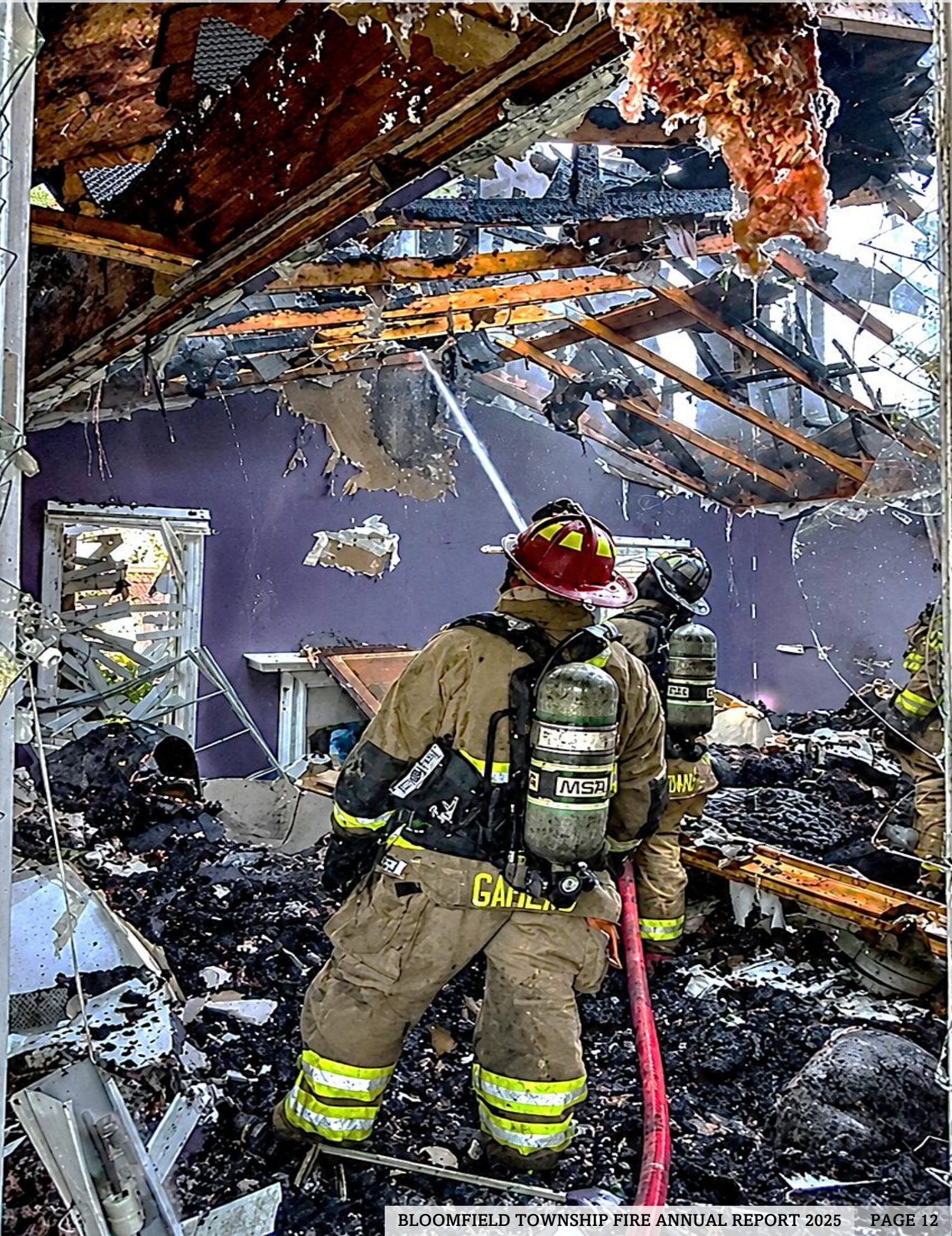
OPERATED/PUMPED: 392

RECHECKED: 742

REPAIRED: 153



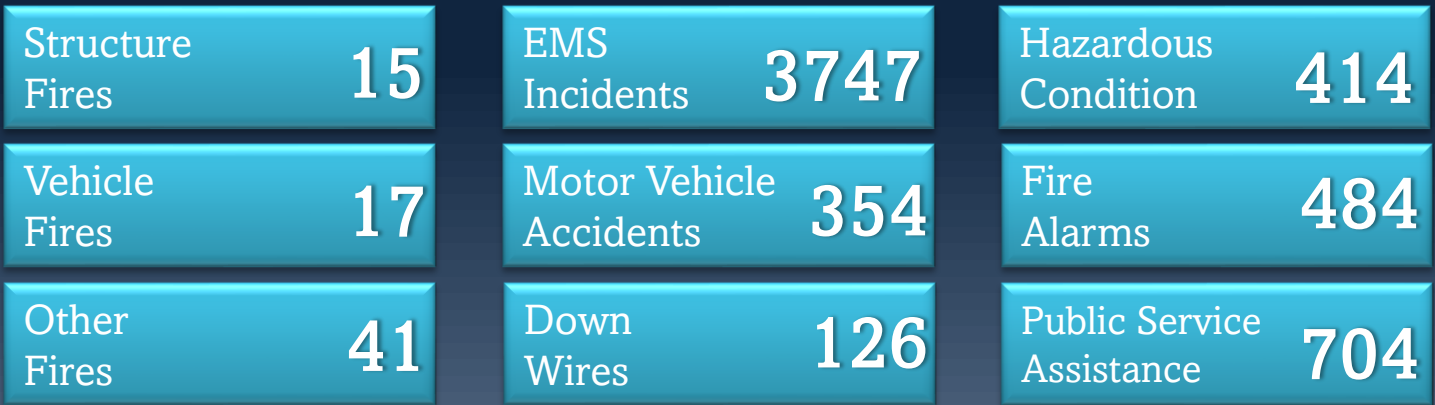
Fire Department Statistics



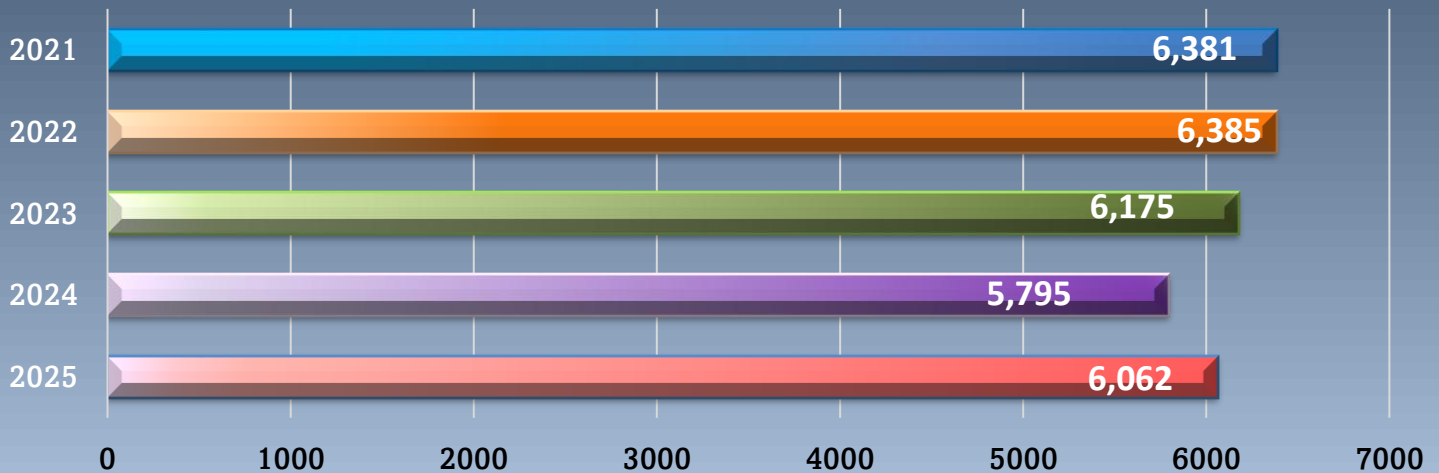
Bloomfield Fire Statistics



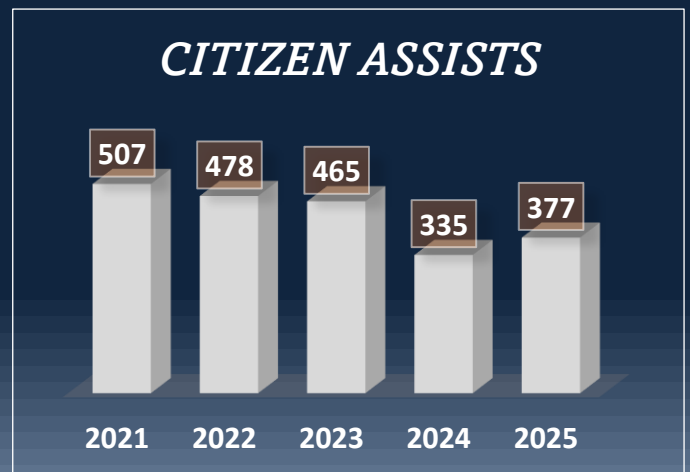
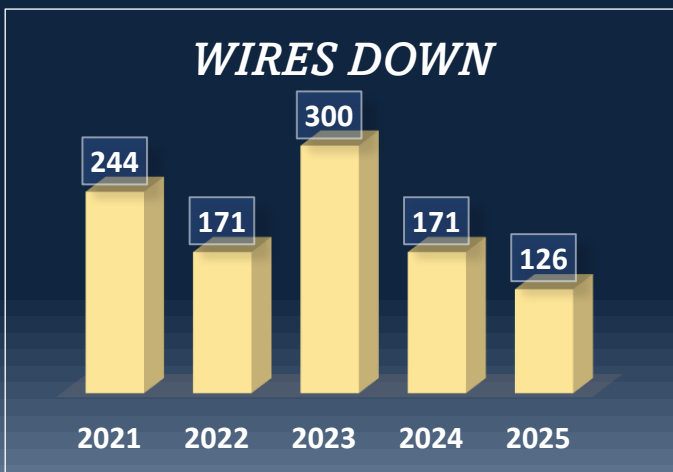
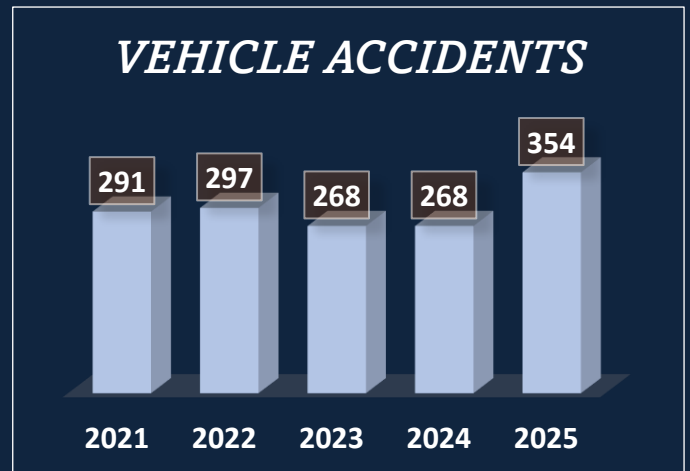
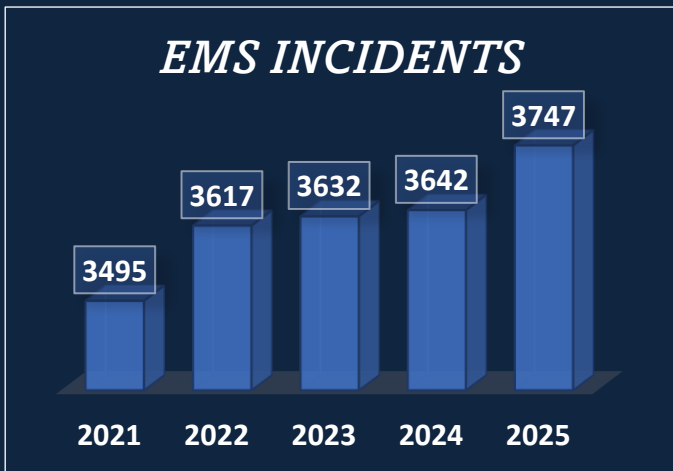
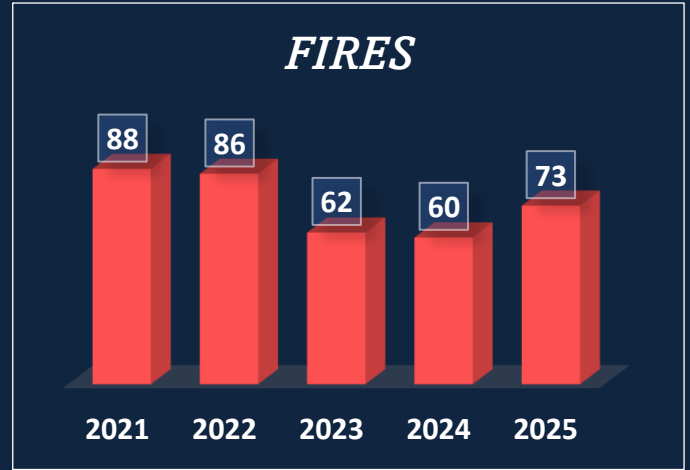
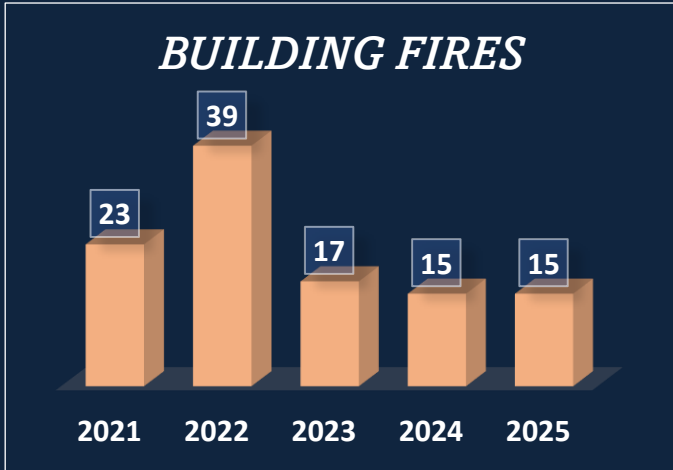
Key Calls for Service



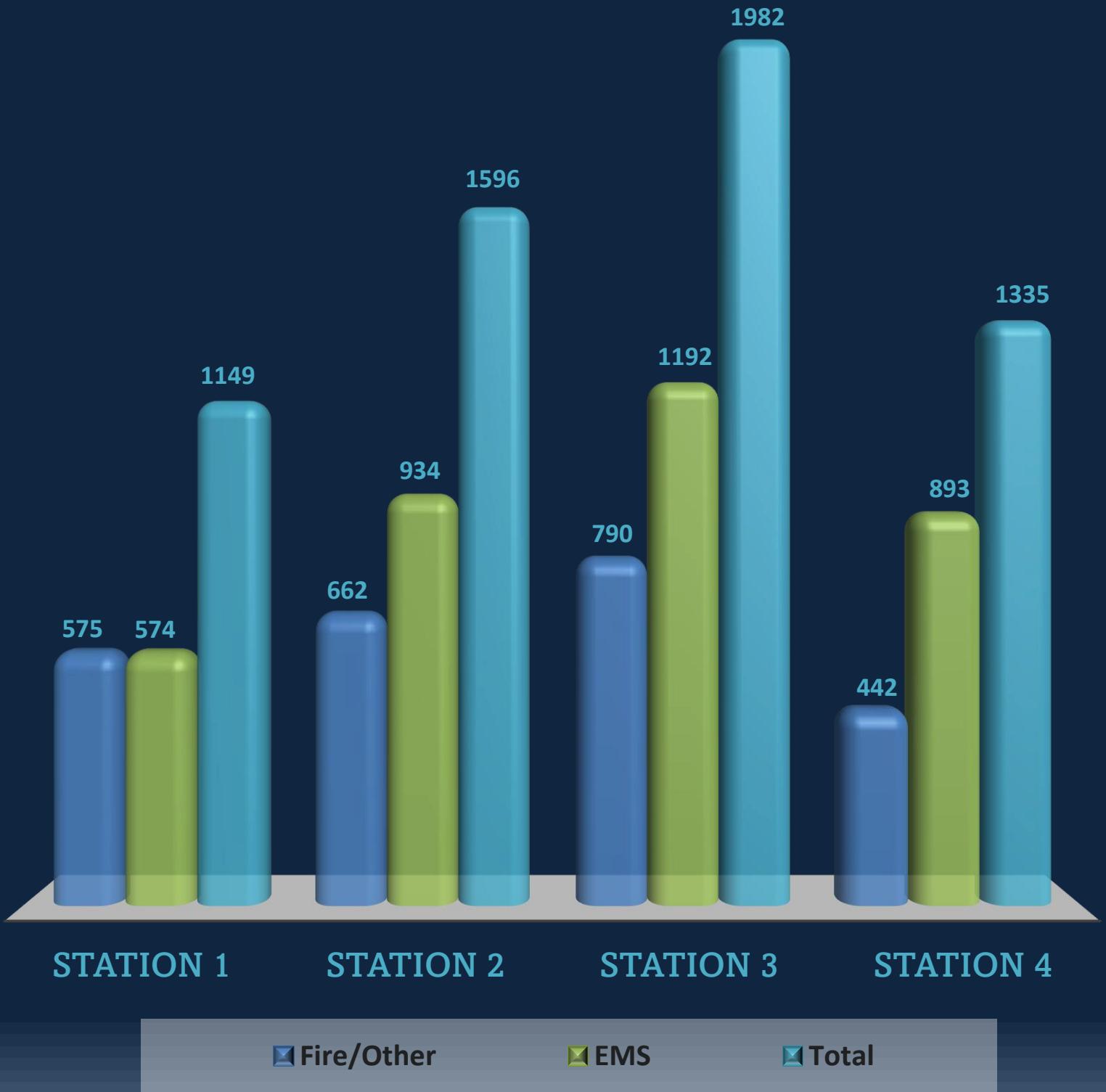
Total Incidents 2020-2025



FIVE YEAR INCIDENT BREAKDOWN



INCIDENTS BY STATION



FIRE APPARATUS



Bloomfield Fire Apparatus

ENGINE



The Engine is the work horse of any fire department. It carries water, hose and all equipment to the fire scene. All Engines in the BTFD are Advanced Life Support for EMS as well.

RESCUE



The Rescue is an Advanced Life Support ambulance that carries all the necessary medical equipment to the scene and transports patients from the scene to the hospital.

LADDER



The Ladder is an apparatus that carries all of the equipment of a fire engine. It is equipped with a 78 foot elevated ladder.

SQUAD



The Squad is a Heavy rescue that specializes in structural/trench collapse, rope/confined space rescue, hazardous materials and vehicle extrication.

INCIDENT COMMAND



Incident Command is used on all emergency incidents. The on-duty Battalion Chief manages the emergency incident while overseeing operations and safety.

WATER RESCUE



TOWER



The Tower is an apparatus that contains all the equipment of a fire engine and has a elevated bucket to allow firefighters to operate safely up to 100 feet in any direction.

Bloomfield Township Apparatus

In 2025, the Bloomfield Township Fire Department took delivery of three new pieces of apparatus.

Tower 1 was received in December, marking the completion of a four-year process. Purchased with funds from the American Rescue Plan Act, this 100-foot Sutphen SPH100 tower apparatus will help to better serve the entire community for the next 25 years.



Battalion 1 was received in September. This 100% custom incident command vehicle helps ensure the proper management of every emergency scene in a controlled and quiet environment. Incident command is an integral part of every emergency scene while contributing to the safety of not only the community but also all firefighters on the fire ground.



Rescue 4 was purchased from the Braun corporation and received in December. In the Bloomfield Township Fire Department, the Rescue is the workhorse, compiling the most miles annually while transporting patients to the hospital. This leads to the Rescues needing to be replaced more frequently than any other apparatus in the fleet.



A large fire scene in winter. A fire truck with the number 911 is visible, along with firefighters and a large plume of smoke. The ground is covered in snow, and a yellow fire hose is in the foreground. The scene is set against a backdrop of trees and a building.

FEDERAL AND STATE GRANTS

FEDERAL AND STATE GRANTS

- *\$190,000*

STATE OF MICHIGAN
SECOND SET OF TURNOUT GEAR FOR ALL
FIREFIGHTERS

- *\$55,000*

MICHIGAN BUDGET APPROPRIATION
STATE REPRESENTATIVE SAMANTHA STECKLOFF
SCBA WASHER, FIRE/ EXTRICATION GLOVES

- *\$45,000*

ASSISTANCE TO FIREFIGHTERS GRANT (FEMA)
FIREFIGHTER HEALTH AND SAFETY PHYSICALS

FIRE TRAINING



Bloomfield Fire Training

“You can never train too hard for a job that can kill you.”

Training is key for a job when you are expected to show up to what is possibly a person's worst day ever and help fix or at least soften the experience of whatever is occurring. Failure is not an option!

To deliver state-of-the-art training, we rely on external partnerships to ensure success. The Bloomfield Township Fire Department would like to give a special thank you to

- General Motors Corporation for the donation of vehicles for realistic extrication training.
- Several Township homeowners donated soon-to-be-demolished houses for real-world training and application of fire tactics.



2025 FIRE TRAINING TOPICS

- SCBA
- APPARATUS OPERATOR
- VENTILATION
- FORCIBLE ENTRY
- LADDERS
- TECHNICAL RESCUE
- VEHICLE EXTRICATION
- STANDPIPE OPERATIONS
- COMMUNICATIONS
- FIRE TACTICS
- WATER RESCUE
- HAZARDOUS MATERIALS
- SEARCH AND RESCUE/RIT

Bloomfield Fire Training

ORANGE LAKE DRIVE TRAINING HOUSE



OCC LIVE FIRE TRAINING

FRANKLIN TRAINING HOUSE



EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE



Bloomfield EMS Division

Responding to EMS calls is much like responding to any other type of emergency: we never know when the call will come, what the situation will be, or what challenges we'll face. What we do know is that every patient expects expert-level care the moment we arrive.

To ensure we can deliver that standard at all times, the Bloomfield Township Fire Department requires all firefighters to become licensed paramedics. Every fire truck and ambulance is equipped and licensed at the highest level of care. Since we can't predict the nature of the next call, we make certain the best possible resources are always ready.

When someone dials 911, they expect us to solve their problem with expertise—whether the situation involves fire, hazardous materials, technical rescue, or a complex medical emergency. For EMS, this means our paramedics must be proficient in treating a full range of conditions, including chest pain, sepsis, stroke, trauma, and even childbirth. There is very little room for error, and maintaining this level of readiness requires significant time and resources.

In 2025, we continued this commitment to excellence by rotating all crews through Trinity Oakland's simulation lab for three full days of hands-on training. Their specialists provided advanced instruction in delivering babies and managing potential complications, as well as starting difficult intravenous and intraosseous lines on critically ill patients. Learning directly from leading experts, in a realistic simulation environment, ensures our providers are prepared to deliver the highest level of care when it matters most.

We take great pride in maintaining strong, positive relationships with our area hospitals. Their willingness to open their facilities and share their expertise plays a vital role in our ability to train effectively and maintain the highest standards of patient care.

Michael Sova
EMS Coordinator

Bloomfield EMS Training

Training Topics

- CULTURAL ISSUES
- CPR
- DEFENSIVE TACTICS
- PEDIATRIC AIRWAY
- DOCUMENTATION
- MASS CASUALTY INCIDENTS
- VEHICLE STABILIZATION
- COMMUNICABLE DISEASES
- MEDICATIONS
- OBSTETRICS LAB
- INTRAVENOUS LAB
- UNIFIED INCIDENT COMMAND
- PEDIATRIC MEDICATIONS
- EQUIPMENT IN SERVICES
- ADVANCED CARDIAC LIFE SUPPORT



FIRE PREVENTION



Bloomfield Fire Prevention

It has been a productive and demanding year for the Fire and Life Safety Division as we continued to meet the needs of the community while maintaining a strong commitment to customer service for our residents and business owners.

The Fire and Life Safety Division consists of two Lieutenant Fire Inspectors and one Fire Marshal. All personnel are State of Michigan Certified Fire Inspectors. The Division is responsible for conducting fire inspections, construction plan reviews, and code enforcement in accordance with the 2018 International Fire Code and local ordinances. In addition, the Division investigates all structure fires, incendiary fires, and fires involving injury or fatality. These investigations are conducted in accordance with NFPA 921 and are essential in identifying fire causes and reducing future risk.

Throughout 2025, the Division completed numerous plan reviews for new construction and redevelopment projects, ensuring compliance with fire department access requirements, fire protection systems, and life safety features. Ongoing inspections of commercial, educational, and assembly occupancies were conducted with an emphasis on fire protection system maintenance, means of egress, and hazard mitigation.

Joseph Syracuse
Fire Marshal

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BUILDING
PLAN REVIEWS

448

COMMERICAL
FIRE INSPECTIONS

291

COMMERICAL
RE-INSPECTIONS

161

FIRE AND LIFE
SAFETY INSPECTIONS

210

RESIDENTIAL SMOKE
DETECTOR INSTALL

44

LOCK BOX
INSTALLATIONS

16

FIRE
INVESTIGATIONS

OAKWAY

The OAKWAY Mutual Aid Association represents eleven local Fire Departments that have agreed to assist each other in a time of need. This agreement is essential when demand outpaces available resources. These Departments work together and train together to be ready at any time of need.

ORGANIZATIONS

- Bloomfield Township
- Birmingham
- Ferndale
- Royal Oak
- Independence Township
- Southfield
- Farmington Hills
- West Bloomfield Township
- Rochester Hills
- Madison Heights
- Waterford Township



COMMUNITY OUTREACH



Bloomfield Community Outreach



Open House

*Fill The Boot
Raised \$16,800
for MDA*



Bloomfield Community Outreach

GOLF OUTING

**OVER \$45,000 WAS
RAISED BY THE BTFD
CHARITIES WHICH
BENEFITS LOCAL
CHARITIES AND
RESIDENTS**



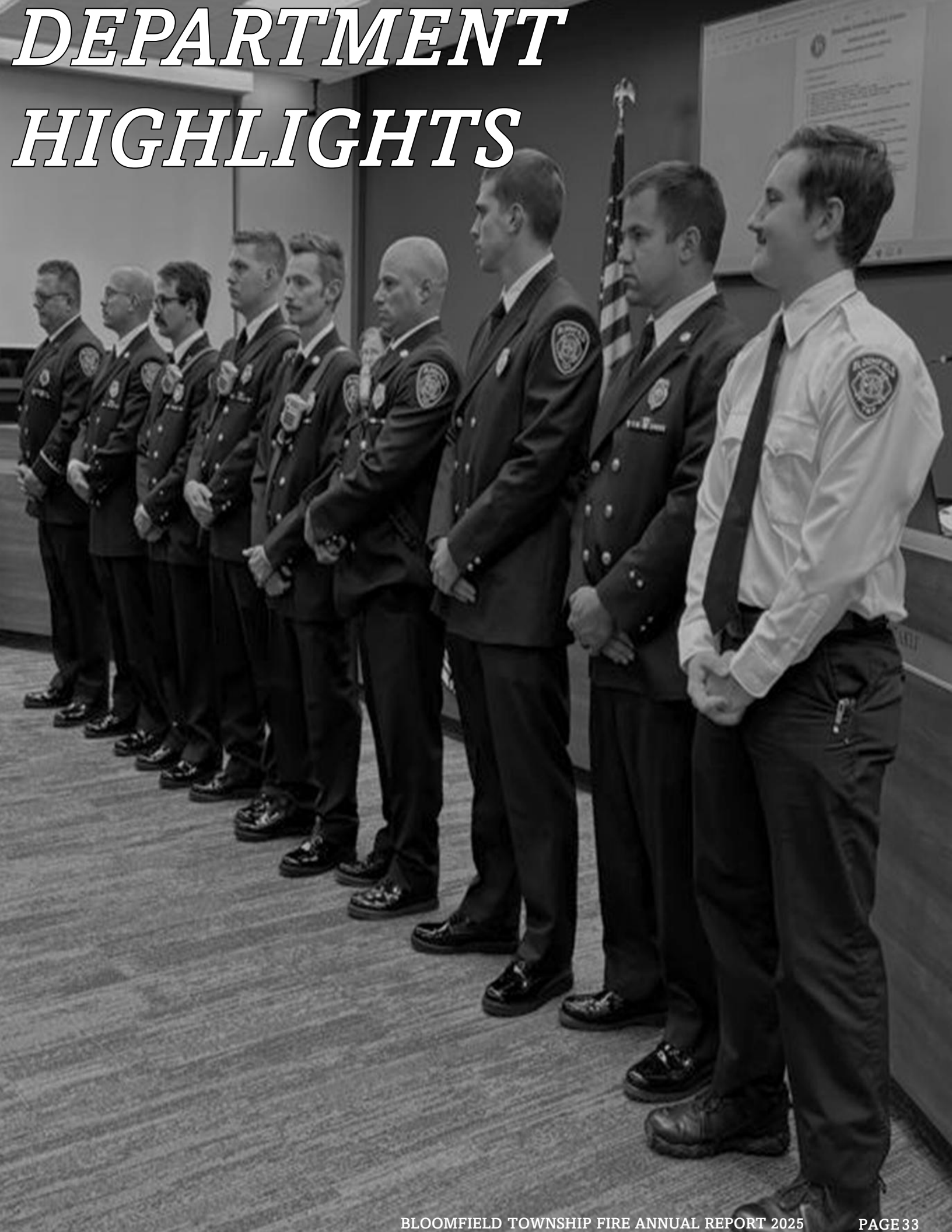
**Bloomfield Township
Fire Department**

**Fire Safety and Injury Prevention
School Program
Grade 2**



**EVERY SECOND GRADER
IN THE BLOOMFIELD
HILLS SCHOOL DISTRICT
RECEIVES A
COMPREHENSIVE MULTI-
WEEK FIRE AND INJURY
PREVENTION CLASS TO
PROMOTE SAFETY FOR
YEARS TO COME**

DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS



Department Highlights

NEW PERSONNEL



FF Zach Keen



FF Riley Finnegan



FF Cole Heydenburg



FF Andrew Bush

Department Highlights

PROMOTIONS

- Assistant Chief Ryan Husch
- Operations Officer Alan Van Heck
- Fire Marshal Joseph Syracuse

- Battalion Chief Kevin Bailey
- Battalion Chief Benjamin Bradford

- Lieutenant Inspector Christian Bertucci
- Lieutenant Inspector Michelle Martin

- Lieutenant Jacob Piche
- Lieutenant Daniel Treadeau



RETIREMENTS

- Assistant Chief Matthew DeRousse
- Fire Marshal Peter Vlahos



STAFF AND COMMAND GRADUATE



EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY STAFF AND COMMAND

- Lieutenant Christopher Hull

Department Awards

MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD

Lt. Michael Pucci



LIFE SAVING AWARD

Lt. Robert Nichols
FF Matt Zsido
FF Brett Syracuse
FF Michael Best

FF Scott Edgemon
FF Madison Van Heck
FF Travis Smith
FF Ian Griffith



UNIT COMMENDATION AWARD

Lt. Edward Lietz
Lt. Jacob Piche
Lt. Leonard Wineski
FF Ian Griffith
FF Cory Van Heck
FF Jeffery Nancarrow
FF Alec Rie
FF Cole Heydenburg
FF Joseph Evangelista

FF Ryan Switala
FF Jeremy Koziel
FF Chu Yang
FF Christian Bertucci
FF Andrew Altman
FF Katie Guckian
FF Cade Dallwitz
FF Alec Fowler
FF Cody Landry



I CARE AWARD

Battalion Chief Ben Bradford
FF Chu Yang

IRON MAN AWARD (MOST INCIDENT RESPONSES)

FF Cody Landry- 631 EMERGENCY RESPONSES

