



2019 AFD Report

Alarm Volume and Type:

Alarm Type 2019	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Totals
111	3	3	0	4	2	2	6	2	2	4	2	1	31
112, 113, 114 & 116	0	1	0	1	3	2	5	3	1	3	4	1	24
All 140, 150 & 160	0	0	3	1	1	4	2	1	2	0	1	0	15
	3	4	3	6	6	8	13	6	5	7	7	2	70
All 130	3	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	11
300, 311 321 & 381	73	61	65	62	69	77	73	70	64	70	65	56	805
322, 323, 324 & 463	5	12	7	14	7	2	9	5	11	11	11	5	99
352	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
All 350 except 352	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	1	6
	79	73	72	77	76	79	82	76	76	81	78	62	911
All 400 except 463	11	20	14	5	11	11	11	9	4	13	13	10	132
All 500	4	4	11	9	7	10	18	7	4	9	6	6	95
All 600 & 700	22	19	19	19	13	25	22	24	23	15	18	25	244
All 200, 800 & 900	1	13	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	18
	123	133	119	118	114	134	147	123	113	126	125	106	1481

Inspections:

For 2019 557 inspections were performed by the Fire Prevention Bureau and on-shift Certified Fire Safety Inspectors. We continue to work through the process of implementing the revamped inspection system Council retroactively amended the ordinance for inspection fees to include a structure based on square footage. Voluntary compliance is the goal and to that end the business representatives received one free call-back as part of the program. Communication between the City departments that need to share knowledge regarding commercial occupancies continues to improve. AFD strives to work with its businesses to make patrons, workers and the community safer.

Training:

Through the various avenues available for continuing education training of AFD personnel, the department logged over 1500 training hours in 2019. These hours represent a mixture of in-house scenario driven skills training, along with seminars, conferences and online opportunities. We had an influx of a lot of rookies this year. They received a syllabus of training requirements for their first year. This helped to standardize the experience for each of them, as well as ensure a baseline of knowledge.

Through access to the old B&W Research lot, The Assistant Chief was able to cycle members of the Fire Department through the Emergency Vehicle Operators Course. This is critical training that helps ensure safe drivers on the way to and back from calls. For 2020, we intend to make a joint application that will see Washington, Lexington and Alliance all utilizing the facility and course over a 30 day period.

On-Duty personnel received the HazMat Ops refresher class via the Stark County Hazmat Team. The training was made available to the Alliance Fire Department for free through the County.

Cleveland State University came to teach the Confined Space Ops & Awareness course to our shift personnel. This is a 16 hour class. Hands on class. Additionally they taught the entry class at Alliance High School to any City personnel, as

well as other fire department members who wished to attend. These training opportunities were funded by PUCO grant money.

Other significant events:

Alliance was awarded A FEMA Ops grant for a diesel exhaust capture system to be installed in Station 1. The company came to install the units and drops in the station. Any step we can take to limit the amount of carcinogens in the station is needed and embraced.

Alliance received a FEMA SAFER award that began in practice in January of 2019. These new firefighters have been a welcome addition to the ranks. It has meant a lot of additional training hours to get them up to speed, but at this point they have integrated into operations smoothly. Returning to 27 suppression personnel in the ranks has reduced the amount of manning overtime for the department and has reduced the individual hours worked for all firefighters on the line.

AFD was awarded a 2018 FEMA Ops micro-grant for extrication and rescue equipment. The total scope of the project was \$50,000. Not everything has been received, to this point, but new Hurst E-Draulic tools were placed on L12 to replace the aging hydraulic units that were at the end of their service life.

2019 represents the first full year of utilizing an EMD system to provide telephone triaging of incoming EMS calls. The premise is that AFD personnel will only be sent to calls that are deemed to be life threatening. Private EMS will be sent to all calls, regardless of perceived severity. For the First Responder program, this seems to be a more efficient use of assets and resources.

In 2019 Council authorized the department to transport in the event that there was no private ambulance available. Though this is a work in progress, it provides a step forward and gives personnel an ability to provide basic transport service in the absence of an ALS unit. Additionally, it makes the department eligible for new grant pools since we are now designated as a transport agency.