



La Crosse Fire Department

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June 10th, 2021

Honorable Police & Fire Commission:

Please accept this month's attached report from the La Crosse Fire Department. As committed to in our department's Mission Statement, we continue to promote safety, reduce risks, and respond to calls for fire suppression, emergency medical services, and all-hazards rescue. We continue to strive to earn our community's trust through preparedness, professionalism, and dedicated to service.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ken Gilliam

May LCFD Highlights:

- May 8th, LCFD in partnership with the American Red Cross and support from Great Rivers United Way, participated in the "Sound the Alarm. Save a Life." event held at Copeland Park.
- May 9th, LCFD responded to a garage fire at 1251 Farnam Street at 6:51pm. Crews arrived within four minutes to find heavy smoke coming from a small two-car, detached garage. The fire was contained to a corner of the garage, on the ground level with heavy smoke and moderate fire damage. No injuries were reported. LCFD had eight apparatus and 17 personnel on scene with assistance from Xcel Energy and HAFD.
- May 13th, LCFD responded to a fire at 903 Tyler Street at 6:44pm. Upon arrival, crews observed smoke coming from a two-story residential duplex and were able to extinguish the fire by 6:56pm. No occupants were home during the time of the fire, but there were three dogs that had perished. The occupancy sustained moderate to heavy smoke damage and heavy smoke damage. Two families were displaced and receiving assistance from the Red Cross. LCFD had nine apparatus and 21 personnel on scene. Assistance was also provided by LCPD, TSA, HAFD, and Xcel Energy. The fire is still under investigation.
- May 15th, LCFD responded to Grandad Bluff Road for a biker who had fallen and was injured at 7:59pm. The first crews arrived on scene at 8:08pm and were able to locate the patient below one of the trails by 8:20pm. The patient was extricated from the steep trail and hillside to the parking area with technical rescue equipment. LCFD had seven apparatus and twelve personnel on scene. Assistance was also provided by LCFD and TSA.
- May 18th-20th, LCFD Fire Investigators along with LCPD, Onalaska Fire Department, and the La Crosse County Sheriff's Department attended an Interview and Interrogation class led by Retired FBI agent Pat Kelly at Stoney Creek.
- May 27th, with the help of the La Crosse Bantry Friendship Association, Chief Gilliam and Chief Ian Vickery (from Bantry Ireland) were able to meet via virtual conferencing which was broadcasted live on Facebook.



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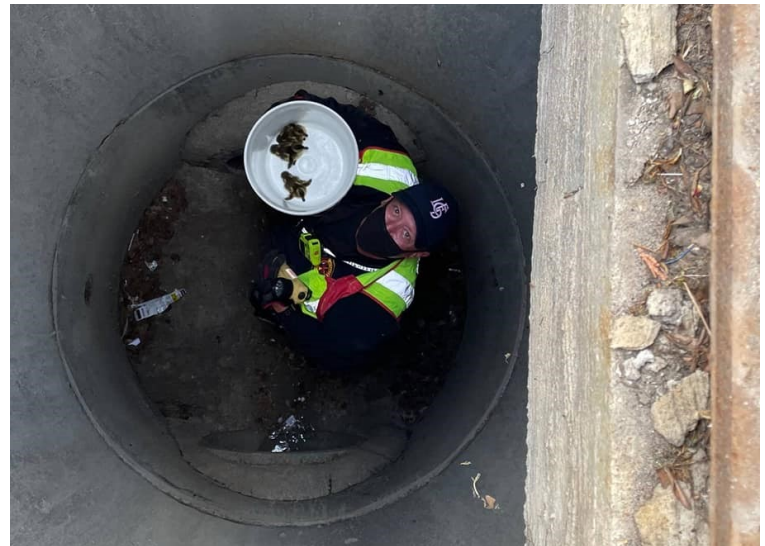


Personnel Notes:

- May 21st was Building Inspector, Jon Molledahl's final day with the City of La Crosse
- Clayton Anderson promoted to Engineer
- Current Department Staffing Status:

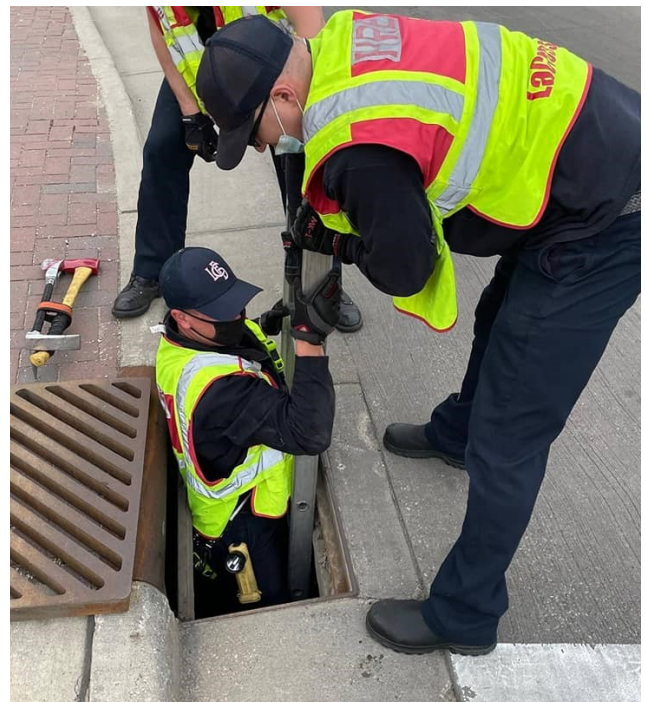
Department Staffing Summary		
	Total Approved	Current
Sworn	96	96
Civilian	12	11
	108	107

May 16th, LCFD crew rescued ducklings from a storm drain at the corner of 7th Street and Cass Street.



The Following Reports are Attached:

- Division of Fire and Rescue Operations Summary
 - Incident Data Updates
 - Baseline Performance Updates
 - Special Operations Updates
- Division of Training and Professional Standards Summary
 - Training Goals and Achievement Updates
 - Health and Safety Updates
- Division of Community Risk Management Summary
 - Building Inspections and Code Enforcement Updates
 - Fire Investigation Updates
 - Community Risk Education Updates
 - City Emergency Management Updates





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Division of Fire and Rescue Operations Summary

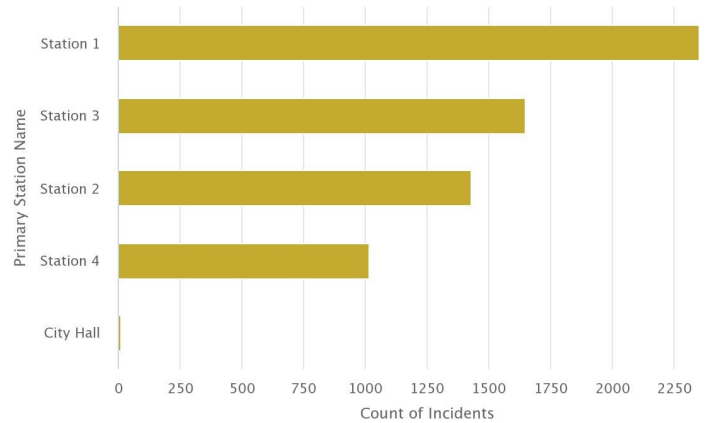
Incident Data

May 1st, 2020 - April 30th, 2021

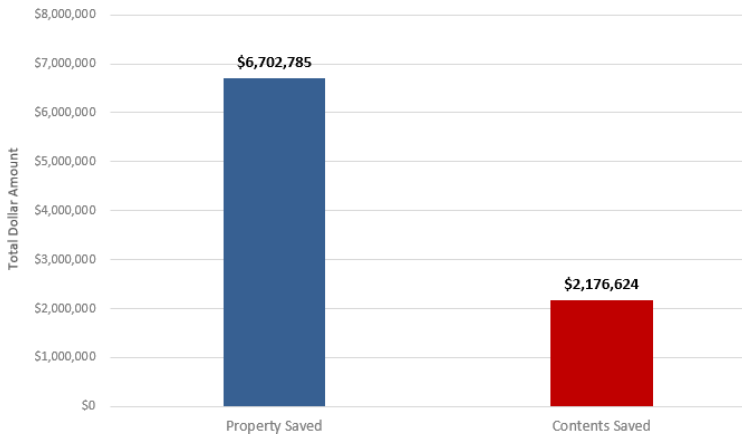
Incidents by Category and Year-Month

Incident Type Category	2020-May	2020-June	2020-July	2020-August	2020-September	2020-October	2020-November	2020-December	2021-January	2021-February	2021-March	2021-April
1 - Fire	18	14	16	12	8	16	20	10	12	12	9	19
2 - Overpressure Rupture, Explo...	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1
3 - Rescue & Emergency Medical...	329	383	387	409	387	407	342	354	354	376	399	366
4 - Hazardous Condition (No Fire)	12	45	18	12	26	7	12	23	15	9	12	18
5 - Service Call	68	67	63	59	70	61	53	44	70	48	88	85
6 - Good Intent Call	45	34	43	23	41	39	37	36	42	25	38	42
7 - False Alarm & False Call	30	38	37	28	33	25	20	23	28	39	44	26
9 - Special Incident Type	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

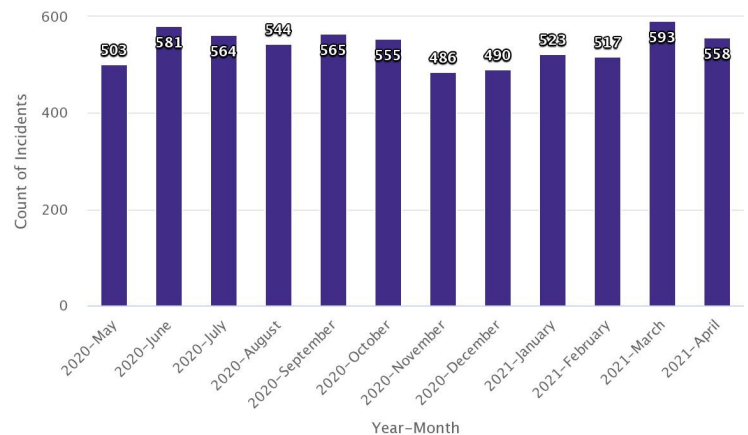
Incidents by Primary Station Name



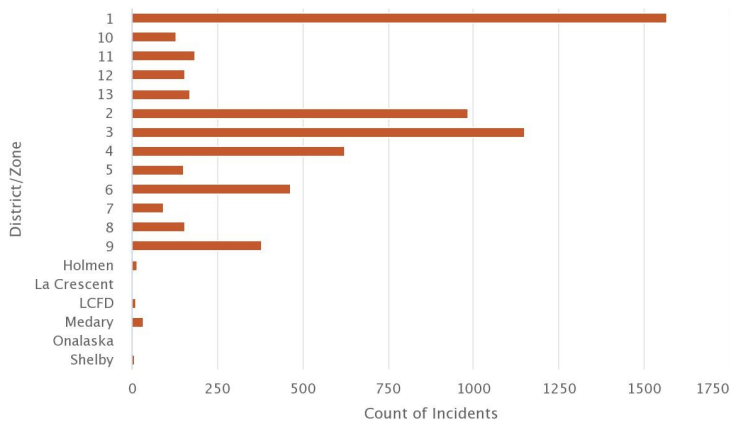
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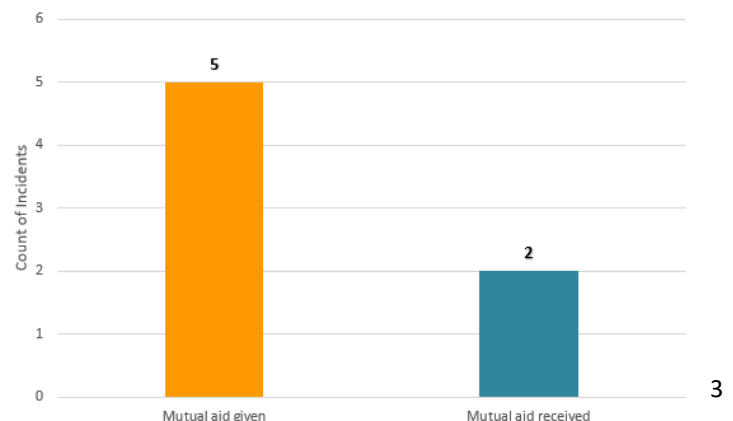
Incidents by Month



Incidents by District/Zone



Mutual Aid





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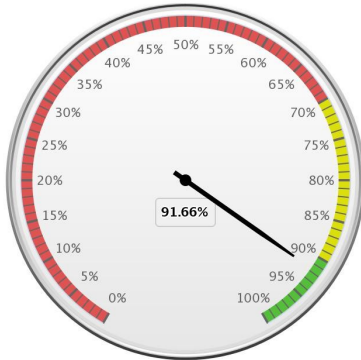


Division of Fire and Rescue Operations Summary

Baseline Performance

Response Times for All Call Types - May 1st, 2020 - April 30th, 2021

Percentage of Apparatus Response Times Under 9 Minutes



Unit 90th Percentile Turnout Time



Apparatus 90th Percentile Response Time (HH:MM:SS)



Unit Average Turnout Time



Apparatus Average Response Time (HH:MM:SS)



Median Basic Response Time (HH:MM:SS)





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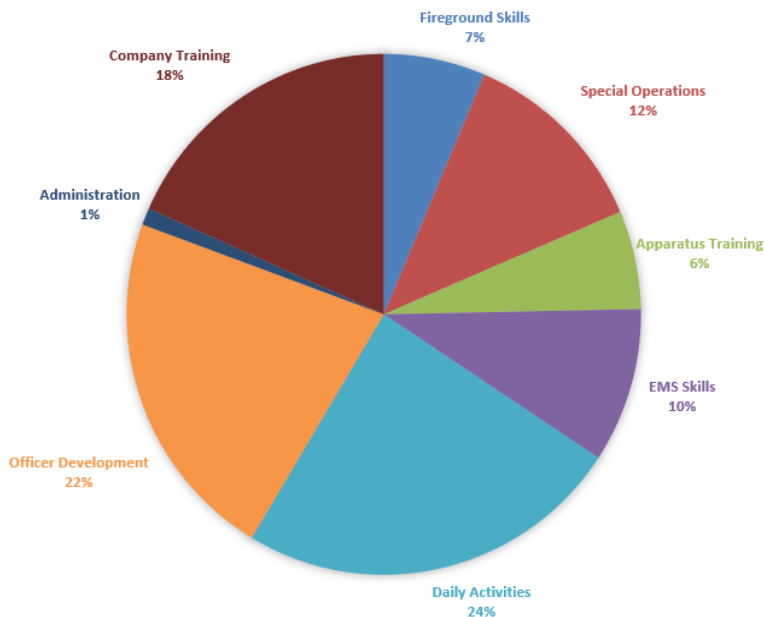
Division of Training and Professional Standards Summary

May 1st, 2020 - April 30th, 2021

Average Training Totals

Average Personnel Hours	2,811.6
Average Participants	94
Total (not average) Classes Given	523
Average Hours per Person	29.9

Training Hours by Category



Photographs taken during Aerial Operations Training





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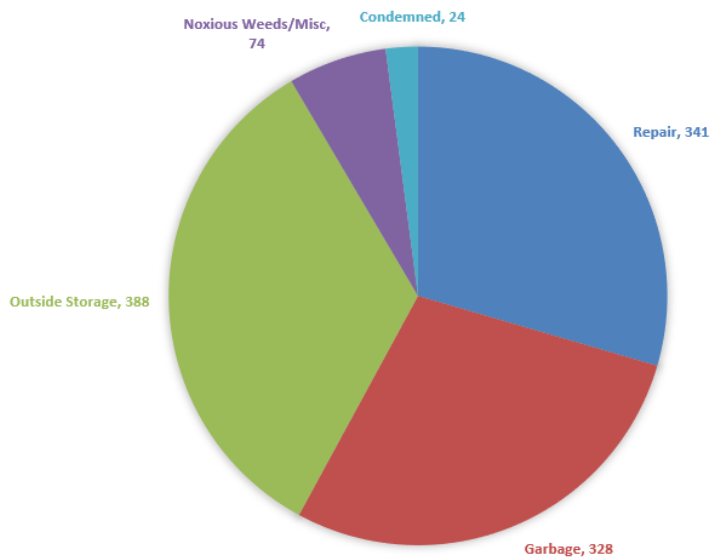


Division of Community Risk Management Summary

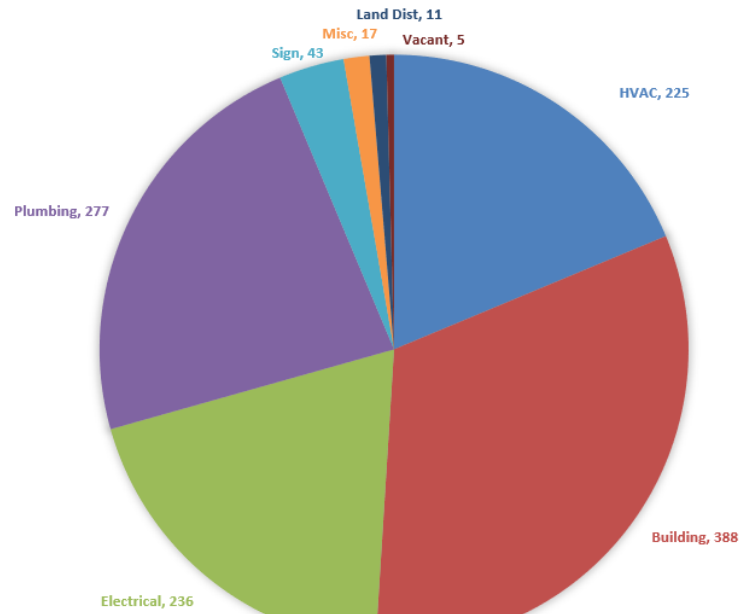
Year-to-Date (January 1st, 2021 - May 31st, 2021)

Building Inspection Statistics

Orders to Correct



Permits Issued



Fire and Life Safety Building Inspection Totals

May 2021

Total Occupancies	Completed	Follow-Up Required	Unresolved Violations	Resolved Violations	% of Occupancies Inspected	% of Occupancies Completed
1,280	1,173	107	250	152	87.30%	78.77%



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Division of Community Risk Management Summary

Community Risk Education Report

May 2021

Media Spots

- One TV interviews for "Sound the Alarm" smoke alarm installation event
- One radio interview for "Sound the Alarm" smoke alarm installation event

Education/Outreach

- Installed 48 smoke alarms in 18 homes on May 8th for "Sound the Alarm"
 - Outside of the event day, installed nine smoke alarms in four homes
- Led fire safety discussion with Aquinas High School graduation class
- Gave presentation to the La Crosse Rotary Club about the City's needle drop box



Total Reach via Facebook (83,000 people)

Total Reach

The number of people who saw any content from your Page or about your Page. This metric is estimated.

