



La Crosse Fire Department

Fire Chief Ken Gilliam

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September 13th, 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

August LCFD Highlights:

- August 9th, LCFD presented the Lifesaver Award to LCPD officers Dakota Marcon and Hayden Halverson for their quick action in applying two tourniquets to a patient who had a severe laceration that resulted in a severed artery. This action resulted in saving the patient's life!
- August 16th, LCFD responded to medical emergency call on a hiking trail at 700 County Road FA. Upon arrival, crews made contact with bystanders and were directed to patient who was approximately .25 mile into the trail. LCFD USAR members prepared to evacuate the patient by using a slope evacuation system. TSA was also on scene and assisted with transport and patient care. A total of twelve LCFD personnel were on scene.
- August 23rd, LCFD personnel mitigating an oil leak after a car fire near Ace Hardware on the southside. Quint 3 and Rescue 3 were able to extinguish the fire shortly after arriving on scene. The vehicle was leaking oil that was flowing into a nearby sewer drain. Personnel quickly built a berm with Oil-Dri and dirt from the area to contain the leak and then used absorbent pads to soak up the oil.



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Personnel Notes:

- Firefighters Dominick Mellick and Craig Scheel successfully completed their Paramedic Certification.
- Current Department Staffing Status:

Department Staffing Summary

	Total Approved	Current
Sworn	96	94
Civilian	12	11
	108	105

*LCFD personnel mitigating an oil leak after a car fire
August 23rd near Ace Hardware on the southside.*



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Division of Fire and Rescue Operations Summary

Incident Data

August 1st, 2020 - July 31st, 2021

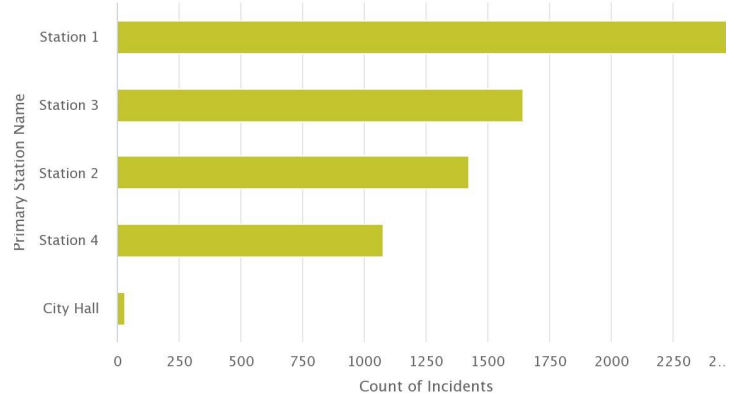
Incidents by Category and Year-Month

Aug 01, 2020 to Jul 31, 2021

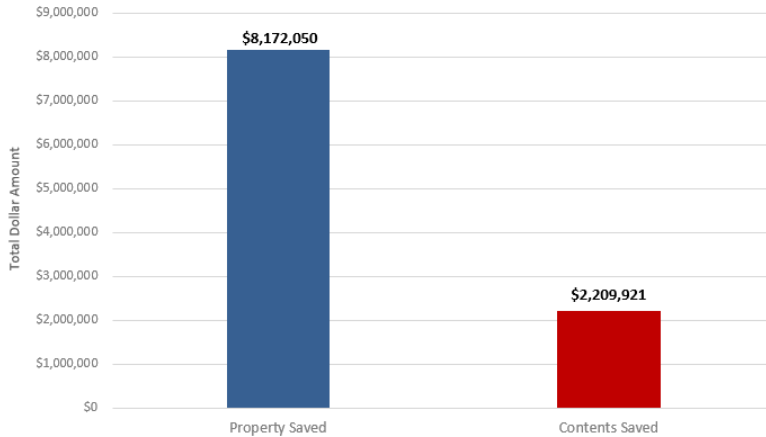
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2 - Overpressure Rupture, Explo...	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	0
3 - Rescue & Emergency Medical...	409	387	407	342	354	354	377	399	366	378	440	434
4 - Hazardous Condition (No Fire)	12	26	7	12	23	15	9	12	18	18	21	15
5 - Service Call	59	70	61	53	44	70	48	88	85	90	74	71
6 - Good Intent Call	23	41	39	37	36	42	25	38	42	41	34	45
7 - False Alarm & False Call	28	33	25	20	23	28	39	44	26	41	38	33
8 - Severe Weather & Natural Dis...	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
9 - Special Incident Type	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Incident Type Category	2020-August	2020-September	2020-October	2020-November	2020-December	2021-January	2021-February	2021-March	2021-April	2021-May	2021-June	2021-July

Incidents by Primary Station Name

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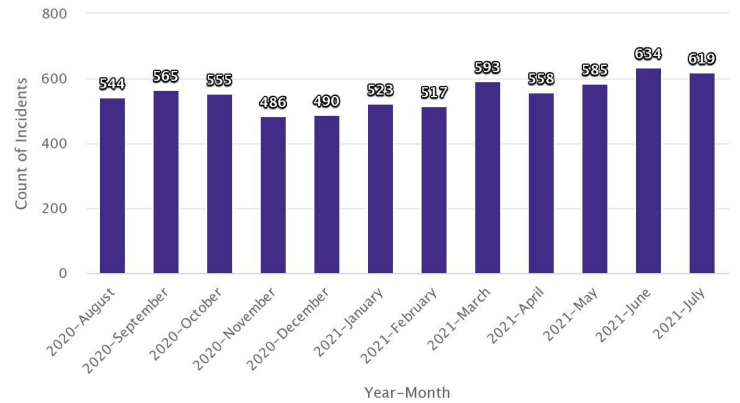


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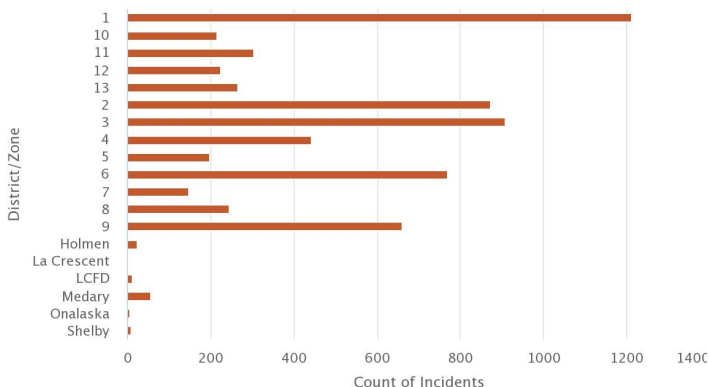
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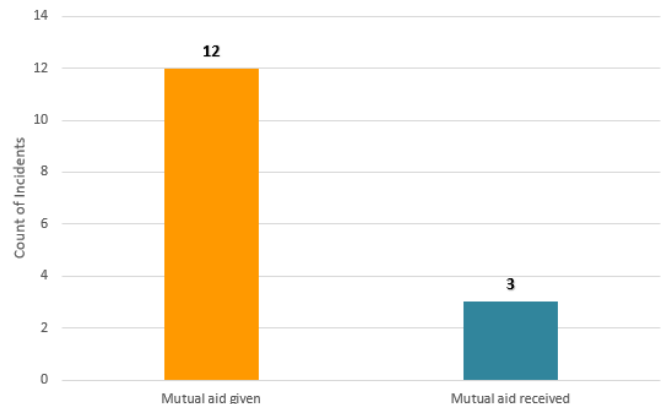


Incidents by District/Zone

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Mutual Aid





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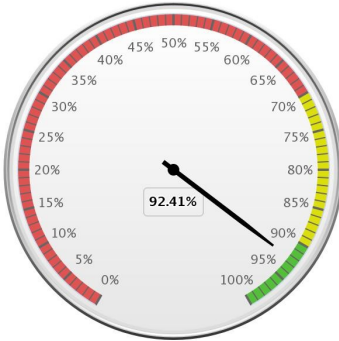
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Baseline Performance

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Aug 01, 2020 to Jul 31, 2021



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

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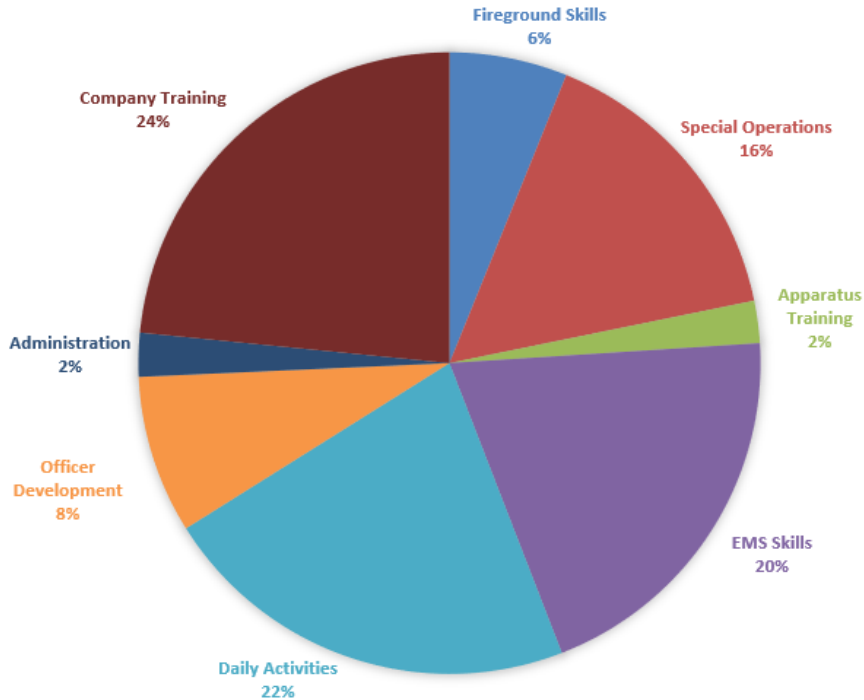
Division of Training and Professional Standards Summary

August 1st, 2020 - July 31st, 2021

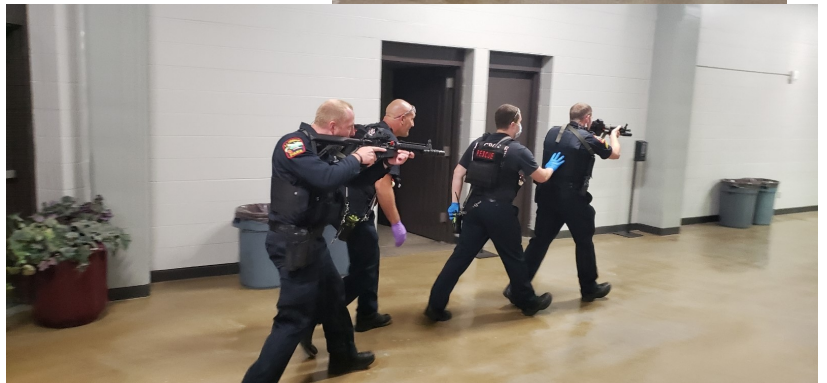
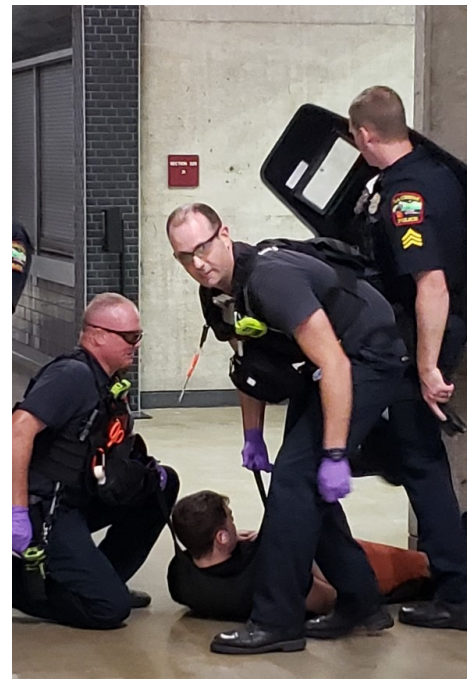
Average Training Totals

Average Personnel Hours	2742.3
Average Participants	90
Total (not average) Classes Given	505
Average Hours per Person	30.5

Training Hours by Category



Rescue Task Force Training with LCPD August 26th and 27th





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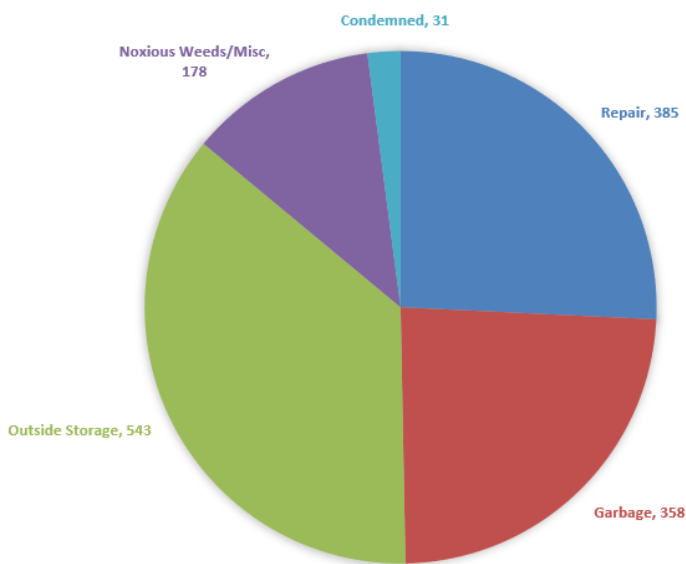


Division of Community Risk Management Summary

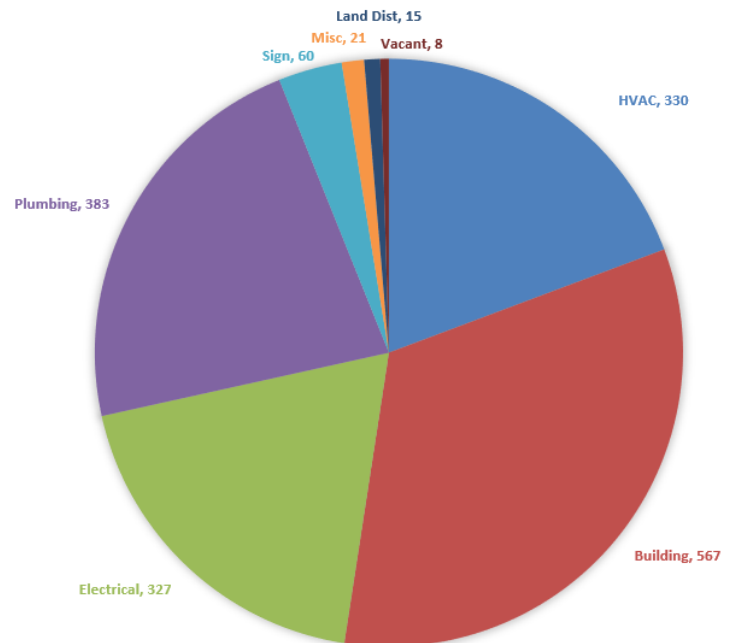
Year-to-Date (January 1st, 2021 - August 31st, 2021)

Building Inspection Statistics

Orders to Correct



Permits Issued



Fire and Life Safety Building Inspection Totals

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

Includes both Annual and Semi-Annual Fire Inspections

Total Occupancies	Completed	Follow-Up Required	Unresolved Violations	Resolved Violations	% of Occupancies Inspected	% of Occupancies Completed
2,871	962	74	451	104	36.08%	33.51%



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Division of Community Risk Management Summary

Community Risk Education Report

August 2021

Media Spots

- One media interview which involved a join press conference with the La Crosse County Health Department for Overdose Awareness Day [top photo]

Education/Outreach

- Installed ten smoke alarms in La Crosse homes (117 total for 2021)
- Held a kitchen fire demonstration and led fire safety discussion at Medary Fun Day
- Four individuals referred to the ADRC for fall prevention education & resources
- Three youths were referred and now are currently enrolled in our Youth Fire Prevention and Intervention Program
- Led general fire safety discussion at City of La Crosse Parks & Recreation's Myrick Park Youth Summer Camp [bottom photo]
- Trained RA's from Viterbo University on fire safety



Total Reach via Facebook (67,000 people)

Total Reach

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Acknowledgements and Items of Interest

Lax Fire Department 8/17/21

Thanks so much for the kindness showed to my husband, Randy Jones since April 6th. You have been dispatched to my home on Scarlett Drive 3 times & each time different team members have been so patient with him. He unfortunately did not make it after the last transport.

Spec'd callout to Tony Helton for making him "listen" when he fell in our bathroom in April. I know getting him up & out of the house was a challenge. You guys have all been great!!

Marilyn Jones
3143 Scarlett Dr.
La Crosse, WI



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August 12th, 2021

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July LCFD Highlights:

- July 7th, LCFD responded to a house fire at 1803 George Street at 8:31pm. Crews arrived to the condemned house and found heavy smoke and fire coming from a second story window. The fire was quickly extinguished and there were no occupants located. Assistance to this incident was received from the LCPD, Xcel Energy, and TSA.
- July 13th, LCFD responded to a call at 7:54pm for two people stranded on some logs while tubing down the La Crosse River. Crews arrived on scene to N3315 State Road 16 within six minutes of being dispatched. Using the Rapid Deployment Craft, the two people were safely brought to shore by 8:11pm. LCFD had ten personnel on scene and were assisted by the La Crosse County Sheriff's Department and the La Crosse County Dive Team.
- July 20th, LCFD christened it's newest apparatus, Quint 1, and held a dedication ceremony in honor of Engineer James McCormick who lost his life in the line of duty in 1957.
- July 20th, LCFD responded to a vehicle accident/rollover at the intersection of Market Street and 6th Street South. This was during the dedication ceremony mentioned above, only a block away, so crews were able to respond within a minute or less. The occupants of the vehicle were able to get out on their own and no injuries were reported.



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Personnel Notes:

- Fire Chief Ken Gilliam sworn in as Chief of the Holmen Area Fire Department July 20th
- Engineer Todd Beyer retired July 27th.
- Engineer Isaac Zurawski was appointed as the Assistant Accreditation Manager July 30th.
- Current Department Staffing Status:

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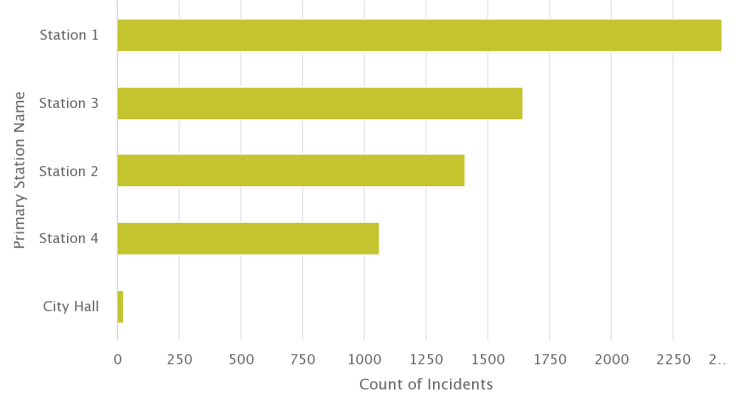
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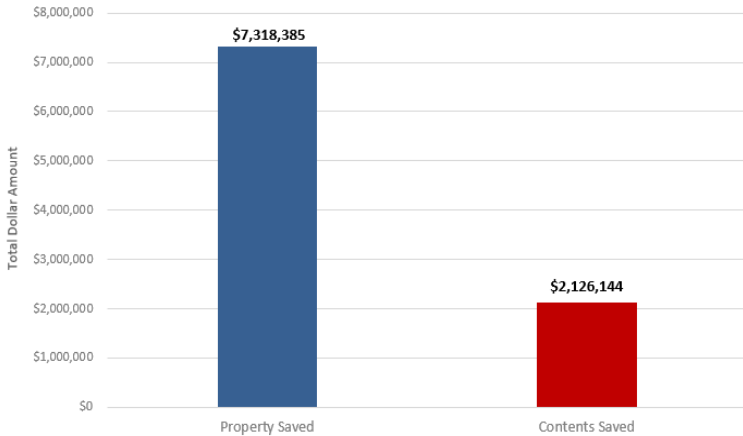
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Incidents by Primary Station Name

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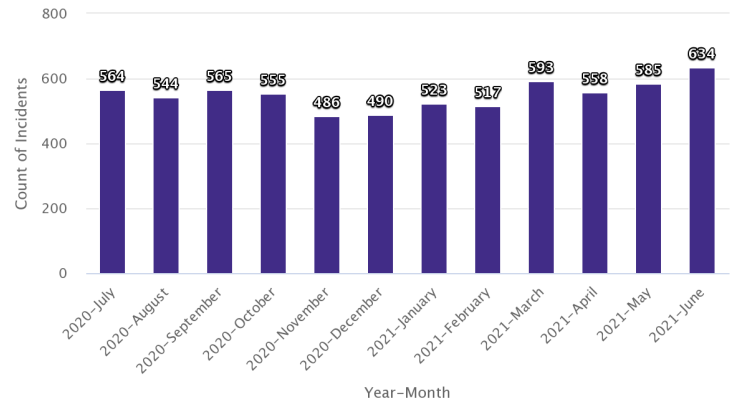


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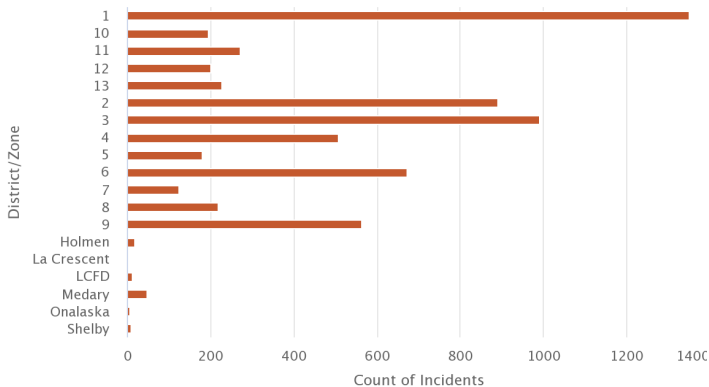
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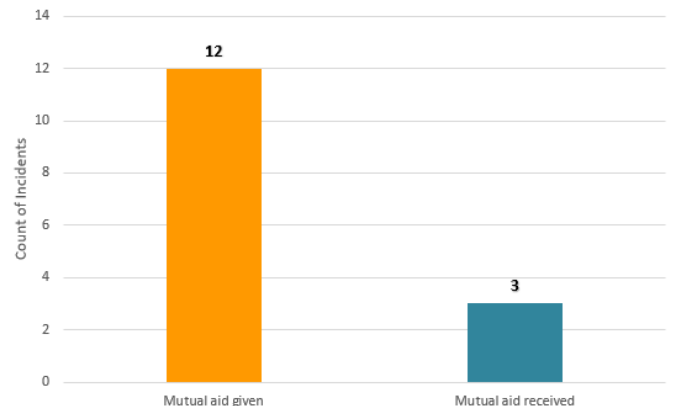


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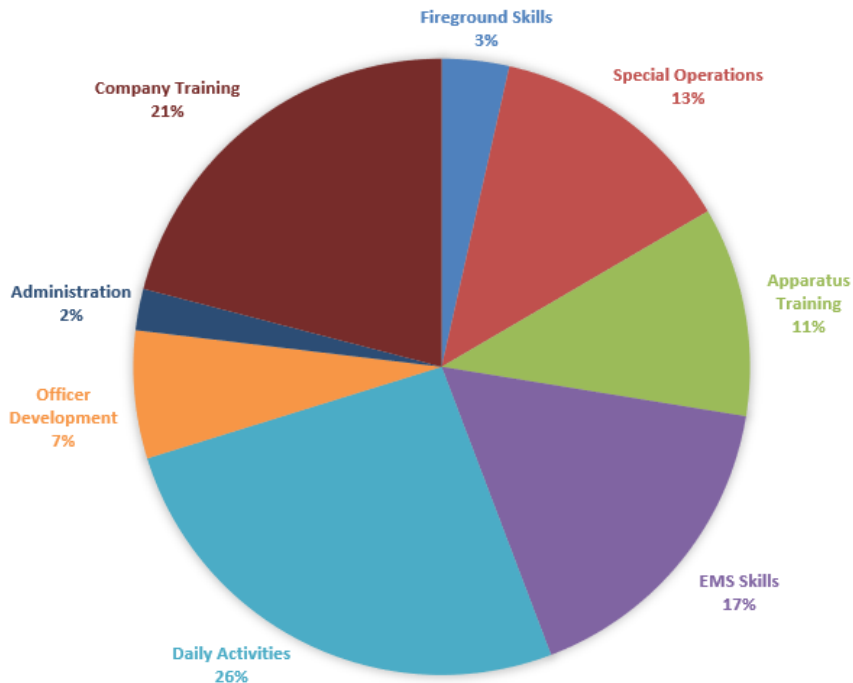
Division of Training and Professional Standards Summary

July 1st, 2020 - June 30th, 2021

Average Training Totals

Average Personnel Hours	2,862.3
Average Participants	92
Total (not average) Classes Given	496
Average Hours per Person	31.1

Training Hours by Category



Aerial Training at Station Two



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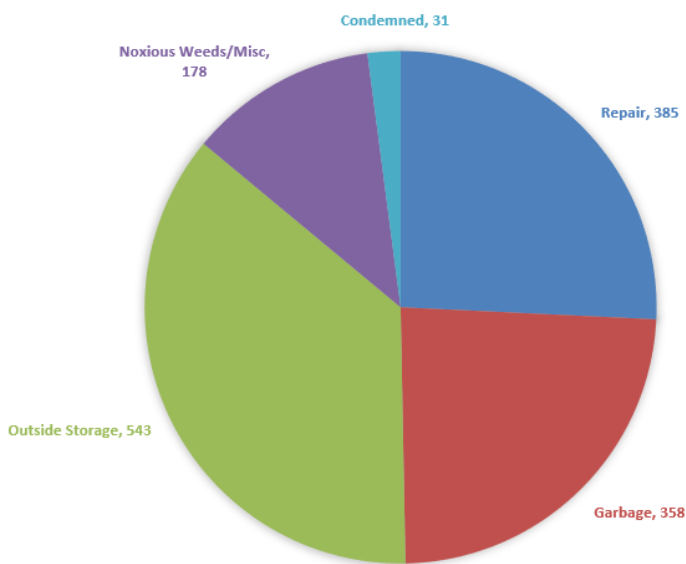


Division of Community Risk Management Summary

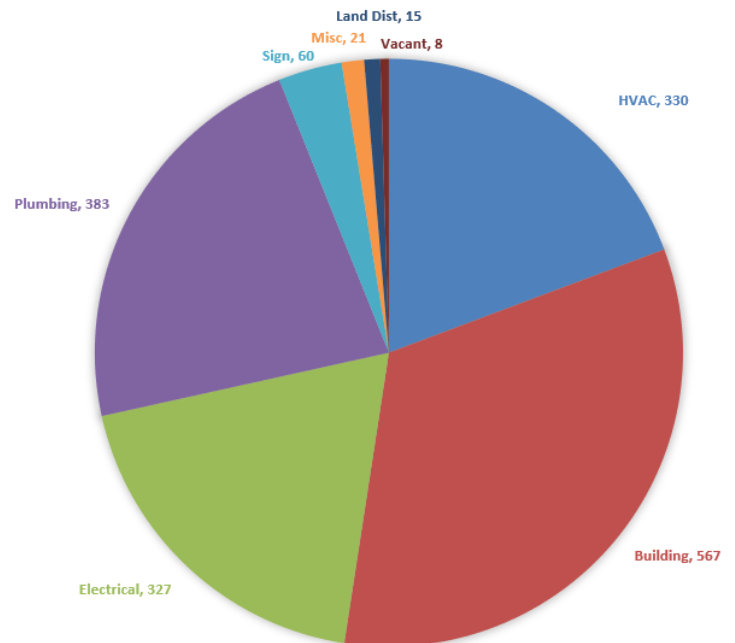
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Division of Community Risk Management Summary

Community Risk Education Report

July 2021

Media Spots

- One TV interviews
Grilling Safety

Education/Outreach

- Installed twelve smoke alarms in La Crosse homes
- Stop the Bleed & fire extinguisher training at Central High School for Wisconsin Custodial Conference
- Ten patients referred to the ADRC for fall prevention education & resources
- Led general fire safety discussion along with kitchen fire demonstration at Camp Send A Kid [top photo]
- Led general fire safety discussion at City of La Crosse Parks & Recreation's Myrick Park Summer Camp (ages 3-6 years old). [bottom photo]



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Acknowledgements and Items of Interest

Firefighters + EMTs July 24, 2021

I want to thank you for helping my brother and me. We were sight-seeing in LaCrosse and we were involved in a car accident. I understand the accident was either really good timing or really bad timing - as it was during the July 20 ceremony at

the fire station!

Anyway, the first responders and citizens were terrific - thoughtful and attentive. I am impressed with the people of LaCrosse and what a beautiful city, as well.

Thanks again,

Patty Sullivan

From: Jason Alberty <jalberty@live.com>
Sent: Monday, June 28, 2021 9:14 AM
To: Reinhart, David <Reinhartd@cityoflacrosse.org>
Subject: Update

Hey David,

We're all good on the fence permit.

I had originally been working with Eddie, and I got everything figured out with him. Somebody told me he might be out last week but they must have been wrong.

Just got to say that you run a great ship over there at Inspections where it seems everybody is always on top of everything. I hope that is recognized by the powers that be over there at City Hall because I personally know how hard it is to get everybody that motivated on top of everything the way you have it.

Take care,

Jason

Jason Alberty, President never mentioned

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June 11, 2021

To: Mr. David Reinhart, Chief Building Inspector

I am writing this letter regarding Inspector Matt Diehl, La Crosse County Building Inspector. Matt was the inspector on our home renovation recently.

I cannot say how much that we appreciate Matt. His knowledge, expertise and professionalism were excellent. I appreciate all he did for our house inspection, with a very difficult unprofessional contractor, but Matt was there to hold the contractor to the building codes.

Matt went above and beyond dealing with this contractor. I feel very at ease that Matt is a building inspector here in La Crosse County. Again, his professionalism is superb.

Matt not only went above and beyond for the homeowner, but also for his job, which proves his ethical integrity and professionalism.

I feel that his professionalism and integrity should be noted and praised. Our county is lucky to have him.

Thank You,

Lisa Selberg

4115 Meadow Lark Lane, La Crosse, WI 608 - 406 - 0251

Changing Lives Through Outdoor Experiences

July 23, 2021



Dear La Crosse Fire Department,

Thank you so much for helping make Camp Send a Kid a HUGE success! Thanks to your help, we were able to make our emergency services night educational and fun for the campers. The excitement and the joy you helped give the kids will be a lifelong positive memory for them.

Thanks for helping our campers have a positive outdoor experience!

Susan Adams

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Program Coordinator

Camp Send a Kid

