

IOWA CITY FIRE DEPARTMENT 2018 ANNUAL REPORT



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MESSAGE FROM THE FIRE CHIEF

On behalf of the members of the Iowa City Fire Department, I am honored to present our Annual Report for 2018. This report illustrates our commitment to the residents, businesses, and visitors to our community and it highlights the exceptional work accomplished by our staff. The report also provides a review of the statistical data for the calendar year, as well as a brief look at the various divisions of the fire department.

As an internationally accredited agency, we are continuously examining what we do, how we do it, and how we can make it better. Our culture is such that we strive for continuous quality improvement. Our ongoing commitment is to public service delivered in an effective and efficient manner, consistently, throughout the City of Iowa City.

It is a great honor and privilege to serve as Fire Chief of this truly wonderful organization. Our goal is for the Iowa City Fire Department to be the best fire department in the state through the provision of state of the art services by caring, compassionate and highly trained professionals in all areas of emergency response. The ongoing support we receive from the community, the City Council, City Administration and City Staff allows us to provide the high level of emergency response services that have made us so successful.

In closing, I would especially like to express my gratitude to the devoted men and women of the Iowa City Fire Department for their ongoing commitment to ensuring our customer service is always top notch!

Stay safe!

John M. Grier

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Fire Chief



COMMAND STAFF

**FIRE CHIEF
JOHN GRIER**



**DEPUTY FIRE CHIEF
ERIC NURNBERG**



**FIRE MARSHAL
BRIAN GREER**



**BATTALION CHIEF
BRIAN ROHR**



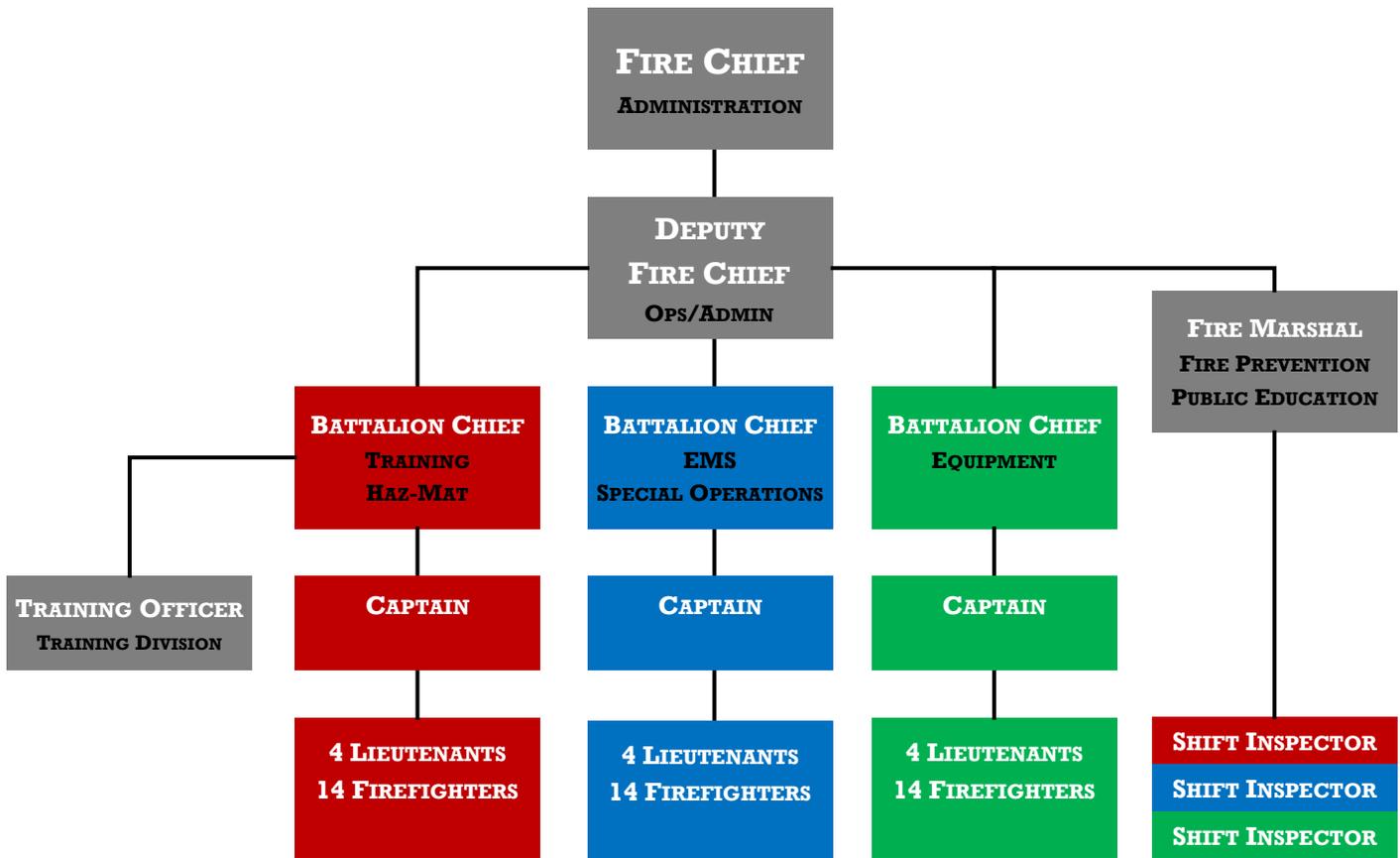
**BATTALION CHIEF
ZACH HICKMAN**



**BATTALION CHIEF
GREG TINNES**



ORGANIZATION CHART



FIRE DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL
1 FIRE CHIEF
1 DEPUTY FIRE CHIEF
1 FIRE MARSHAL
3 BATTALION CHIEFS
1 TRAINING OFFICER
3 SHIFT CAPTAINS
12 SHIFT LIEUTENANTS
39 FIREFIGHTERS
3 SHIFT INSPECTORS

FIRE DEPARTMENT OVERVIEW
STAFF - 40 HOUR WORKWEEK
MONDAY-FRIDAY
SHIFT A, B, C - 56 HOUR WORKWEEK
1 ON, 1 OFF, 1 OFF, 1 OFF, 1 ON, 4 OFF
16 FIREFIGHTER MINIMUM STAFFING

COMMAND STAFF
SHIFT A
SHIFT B
SHIFT C

ABOUT THE IOWA CITY FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Iowa City Fire Department (ICFD) responds to all types of emergent and non-emergent calls and incidents within the city limits of Iowa City. The ICFD is also trained and prepared to respond to large scale and more complex incidents. The ICFD also provides EMT-level service to residents and visitors. The ICFD is ready to respond to any emergency at any time. In 2018, the ICFD responded to 7,022 calls for service.

In addition to emergency medical calls and fire incidents, ICFD personnel are trained to respond to water rescue, high and low angle rope rescue, confined space rescue, trench rescue and mass casualty responses wherever and whenever the need may arise.

The ICFD was unanimously awarded Accredited Agency Status by the Commission of Fire Accreditation International at the Center for Public Safety Excellence Commission in Dallas, Texas. The ICFD first obtained this elite status in 2008 and then again in 2013. The ICFD also kept its ISO Class 2 rating in 2018. The ICFD Prides itself in being a progressive fire department that is adaptable to the ever changing needs of the community that it serves.



MISSION, VISION & VALUES

MISSION

The mission of the Iowa City Fire Department is to protect our community by providing progressive, high quality emergency and preventive services.

VISION

The Iowa City Fire Department will be recognized as a national leader in our profession and as role models in our community. We will be an exemplary, service-driven organization in providing emergency and preventive services with exceptional leadership, state-of-the-art resources, and a healthy, highly-trained, and motivated workforce. We will stay true to our values and inspire one another in our pursuit of excellence.

VALUES

As an organization, we uphold the following values:

ACCOUNTABILITY We are accountable to each other and the community we have sworn to serve

INNOVATION We encourage the advancement of our services and programs through inquiry, evaluation, problem solving and continual improvement

PROFESSIONAL EXCELLENCE We are dedicated to the pursuit of excellence and demonstration of high professional standards

RESPECT We believe in the dignity of every individual and value all members of the community and organization

TEAMWORK We are committed to a teamwork environment where every stakeholder is a valued contributor to our success

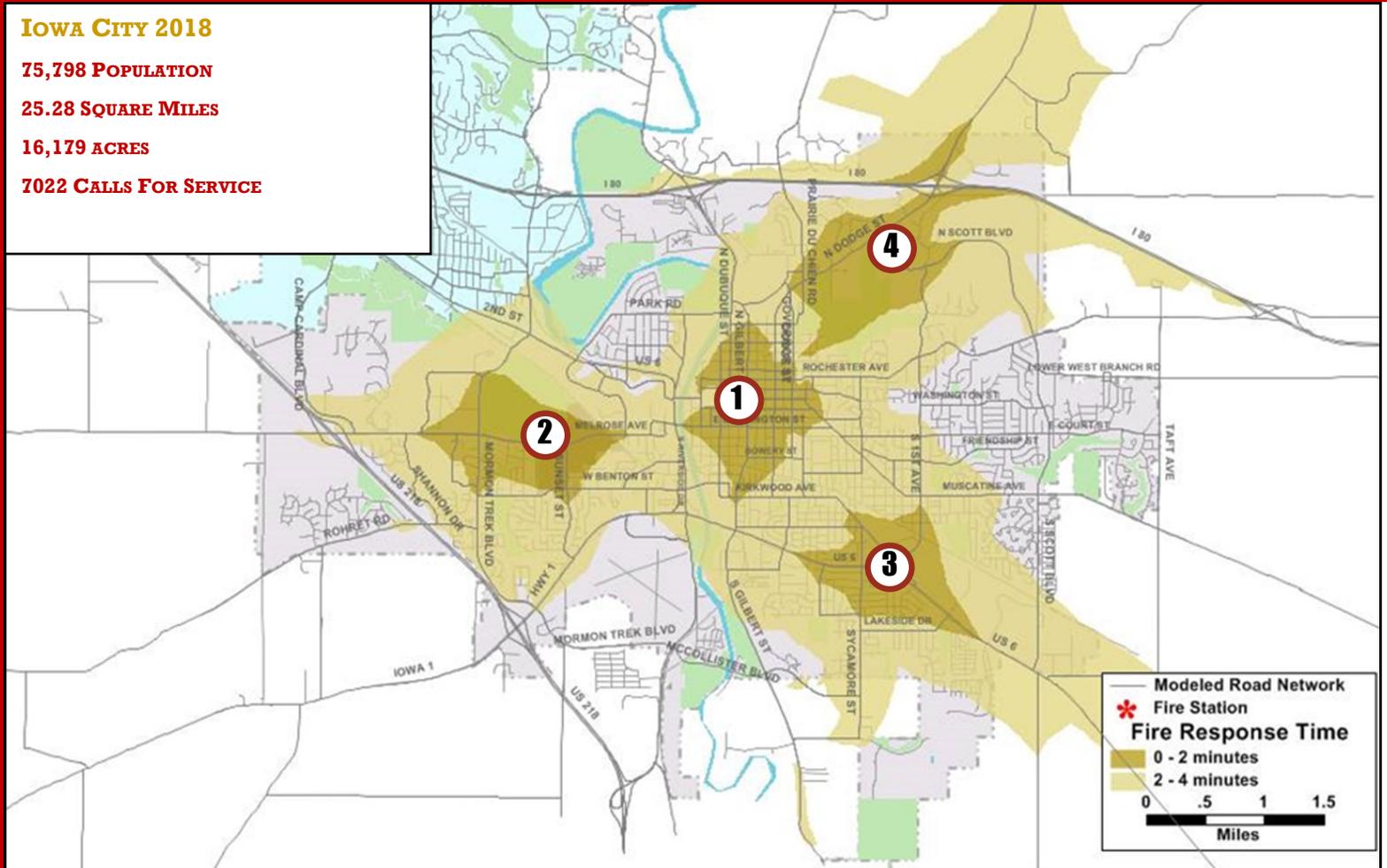
TRUSTWORTHINESS We embolden trustworthiness as it encompasses such qualities as honesty, integrity, loyalty, and reliability



Center for
Public Safety
Excellence

FIRE STATION LOCATIONS

IOWA CITY 2018
75,798 POPULATION
25.28 SQUARE MILES
16,179 ACRES
7022 CALLS FOR SERVICE



FIRE STATION	ADDRESS	FRONT LINE APPARATUS ASSIGNMENT
#1	410 E WASHINGTON ST	ENGINE 1, TRUCK 1, RESCUE 1, BATTALION 1
#2	301 EMERALD ST	QUINT 2, ENGINE 2, HAZ-MAT 1 (COUNTY)
#3	2001 LOWER MUSCATINE RD	ENGINE 3
#4	2008 N DUBUQUE RD	ENGINE 4

64 PERSONNEL	7022 TOTAL CALLS FOR SERVICE	3620 TOTAL MEDICAL CALLS
3 SHIFTS	159 ACTUAL FIRES	977 FALSE ALARMS
STATION 1 BUSIEST STATION 2417 CALLS 34%	SATURDAY BUSIEST DAY OF THE WEEK	6-7 P.M. BUSIEST TIME

FIRE STATIONS

STATION 1



 2417 // 34%

 61

 1113

STATION 2



 1859 // 27%

 43

 880

STATION 3



 2081 // 30%

 38

 1260

STATION 4



 665 // 9%

 17

 367

 2018 TOTAL CALLS

 MEDICAL CALLS

 FIRE CALLS

FIRE & RESCUE APPARATUS

ENGINES



32' Long, 10'7" High 9'6" Wide
750 Gallons, 1500 GPM

- Engine 1 Engine 11**
- Engine 2 Engine 3**
- Engine 4 Engine 44**

TRUCK 1



2006 Pierce Dash
100' Aerial Platform
47' Long, 11'9" High, 9'6" Wide
250 Gallons, 2000 GPM

QUINT 2



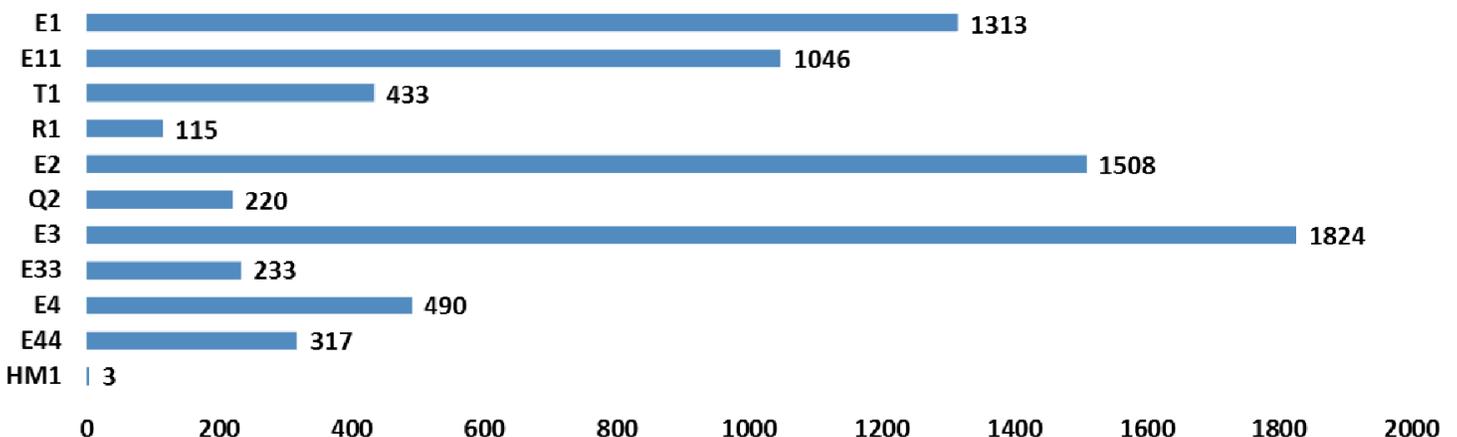
2011 Pierce Velocity
75' Aerial Ladder
500 Gallons, 1500 GPM

RESCUE 1



2010 Pierce HD Rescue
Air Cascade System

RESPONSE BY APPARATUS



FIRE & RESCUE APPARATUS

STATION 1

VEHICLE NAME	MODEL YEAR	VEHICLE TYPE	GALLONS & GPM
Truck 1	2006	Pierce 100' Aerial Ladder	250 Gallons & 2000 GPM
Engine 1	2013	Pierce Engine	750 Gallons & 1500 GPM
Engine 11	2009	Pierce Engine	750 Gallons & 1500 GPM
Command Vehicle	2016	Chevrolet 2500HD	N/A
Gator 1	2005	John Deere Gator	N/A
Fire Chief	2015	Ford Explorer	N/A
Deputy Fire Chief	2015	Ford Explorer	N/A
Fire Marshal	2017	Chevrolet K1500	N/A
Training Officer	2013	Ford F150	N/A
Travel Vehicle	2012	Chevy Impala	N/A
Shift Inspector	2011	Dodge Dakota	N/A
Rescue 1	2010	Pierce HD Rescue	N/A
Utility 1	2017	Polaris Ranger	N/A

STATION 2

VEHICLE NAME	MODEL YEAR	VEHICLE TYPE	GALLONS & GPM
Quint 2	2011	Pierce 75' Quint	500 Gallons & 1500 GPM
Engine 2	2009	Pierce Engine	750 Gallons & 1500 GPM
Hazmat 1 (County)	2004	EVI	N/A

STATION 3

VEHICLE NAME	MODEL YEAR	VEHICLE TYPE	GALLONS & GPM
Engine 3	2011	Pierce Engine	750 Gallons & 1500 GPM
Engine 33	2003	Pierce Engine	750 Gallons & 1500 GPM

STATION 4

VEHICLE NAME	MODEL YEAR	VEHICLE TYPE	GALLONS & GPM
Engine 4	2011	Pierce Engine	750 Gallons & 1500 GPM
Engine 44	2009	Pierce Engine	750 Gallons & 1500 GPM

FIRE ADMINISTRATION

FIRE ADMINISTRATION AND SUPPORT SERVICES

The Administration Division provides leadership, management, direction, supervision, coordination and general support to all Iowa City Fire Department operations. Fire Administration also provides emergency management, public information, budgeting, performance, measurements, logistics, support services, human resource management, community services, community risk management, and community enhancement.

The Fire Chief is the highest ranking administrative officer in the department. As such, the Fire Chief is the administrator of all the activities the ICFD carries out. The Fire Chief conducts all responsibilities set out by federal or state laws, City ordinance, and the requirements of the City Manager, Mayor, and City Council.

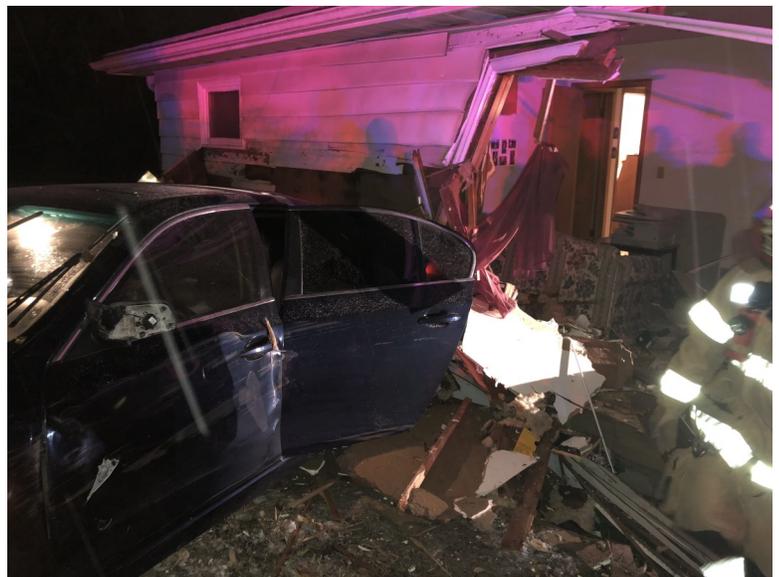
The Deputy Fire Chief provides direct administrative and emergency operations oversight and serves on the senior management team. The Deputy Fire Chief plans, organizes, and directs the staffing and training of department operations, accreditation, homeland security, special assignments, and related response activities. The Deputy Fire Chief assumes the duties of the Fire Chief in the event of absence and/or vacancy. Shift Battalion Chiefs are responsible for calendar administrations, the Health and Safety Committee, uniforms, physicals, immunizations, and all other administrative responsibilities.

All administrative functions ultimately are conducted to support the Operations, Prevention, and Training divisions of the department.

HEALTH AND SAFETY

The Iowa City Fire Department's Health and Safety Committee is chaired by the Battalion Chief and is comprised of leaders from each shift, IAFF Local 610, leadership of the ICFD training program, a firefighter who is trained as an occupational health and safety specialist, and the City of Iowa City's occupational safety specialist. This committee meets periodically to review safety policies, programs and protocol, as well as to discuss any safety related concerns of employees.

The committee also reviews all injury paperwork and makes recommendations to the command staff for best practice safety enhancements as well as preventative measures.



FIREFIGHTER PHYSICAL AND MENTAL HEALTH

The ICFD is committed to enhancing and promoting physical health, safety, wellness, and fitness to the men and women who serve our community. The ability of firefighters to carry out their mission in service to the public requires that they be physically fit, resilient both physically and mentally, and cared-for properly if injuries or exposures occur. During duty days, on-duty personnel are given at least one hour of physical fitness time to ensure that their fitness needs are met every day. Personnel always have access to a wide range of cardio equipment, such as treadmills, Concept 2 Rowers, and Airdynes as well as bumper and metal plates, Olympic bars, wide range of dumbbells, and other equipment to improve strength and flexibility. The ICFD is committed to enhancing and promoting physical health, safety, wellness, and fitness to the men and women who serve our community.

PEER FITNESS TRAINERS

The ICFD has a standing committee dedicated to promoting the fitness and wellness of its members. The committee is made up of certified Peer Fitness Trainers (PFTs). The PFTs are all certified through the American Council on Exercise and the fire service Wellness Fitness Initiative, with some holding advanced certifications through the TSAC and NSCA. Since implementing the Fitness Committee in 2013, physical performance metrics show that the ICFD is growing progressively healthier and preventable injuries have been on the decline.

PFTs are always available to the members of the ICFD to assist with creating programs that fit their individual needs as well as identifying areas of improvement. PFTs also organize and operate the two yearly fitness events for the members. The first is an annual physical fitness test that measures and monitors the fitness and health of each member through different events. The second is the CAST, which monitors fitness through a rigorous timed event that is done in full gear on air while performing several difficult fire-fighting activities. Results from each test are compared to their historical tracking and strengths and weaknesses identified for their essential job duties.

PEER SUPPORT TEAM

Six ICFD personnel attended the Peer Support Team Training in July and were certified as Peer Support Specialists. The Peer Support team was created to be a bridge between fire department personnel and professional assistance for any situation.

OPERATIONS

The Operations Division is overseen by the Deputy Chief and includes all of the apparatus and the firefighters who are responsible for delivering emergency services to those who live, work, and visit the City of Iowa City. Four stations are staffed 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, with a minimum of 16 personnel prepared to respond. Operations personnel are divided into three shifts across four districts to ensure round-the-clock service to the community. All personnel assigned to operations are cross-trained over various disciplines.

Operations personnel work a 24 hour shift which starts at 7 a.m. Crews start their day by fully checking over equipment and vehicles to ensure they are ready to respond. Daily duties include public education activities, training, apparatus, and equipment maintenance, physical fitness, university and commercial inspections, and a variety of other activities. Crews always ready to respond to calls for service during these duties. In The ICFD responded to 7,022 calls for service in 2018.

Emergency medical incidents accounted for the largest number of responses totaling 3,620 calls in 2018. All department personnel are certified to at least the EMT level, with several personnel trained the paramedic level. The department does not transport patients, but rather serves as first responders, in conjunction with Johnson County Ambulance Service paramedics, as part of the Johnson County tiered response system.



AUTO & MUTUAL AID

The ICFD works closely with several other agencies that include, the Iowa City Police Department, Johnson County Ambulance Service, Johnson County Emergency Management, as well as the neighboring fire departments. The department is part of the county-wide mutual aid box alarm system (MABAS) and has mutual aid agreements with each fire department within the system. This mutual aid arrangement allows each department to call on the others for assistance when they have a significant or complex incident exceeding emergency response capabilities.

MUTUAL AID CALLS			AUTO AID CALLS		
RECEIVED		GIVEN	RECEIVED		GIVEN
6		40	3		10
WEST BRANCH	CORALVILLE	TIFFIN	HILLS	SOLON	KALONA
19	14	6	6	4	1

HAZARDOUS MATERIALS RESPONSE TEAM

The ICFD contributes 16 members to the Johnson County Hazardous Materials Response Team (JCHMRT). The ICFD continues to take the leading role in the JCHMRT and coordinates all training and operations for the department and team. Haz-Mat 1 is maintained and deployed from Fire Station 2. All members of the ICFD are trained and certified to a Haz-Mat Technician level. The ICFD works very closely with Johnson County Emergency Management to ensure the same for 26 members of the JCHMRT. The ICFD responded to 194 hazardous conditions calls in 2018. The Haz-Mat Team was called out 5 times in 2018.



SPECIAL OPERATIONS RESPONSE TEAM (SORT)

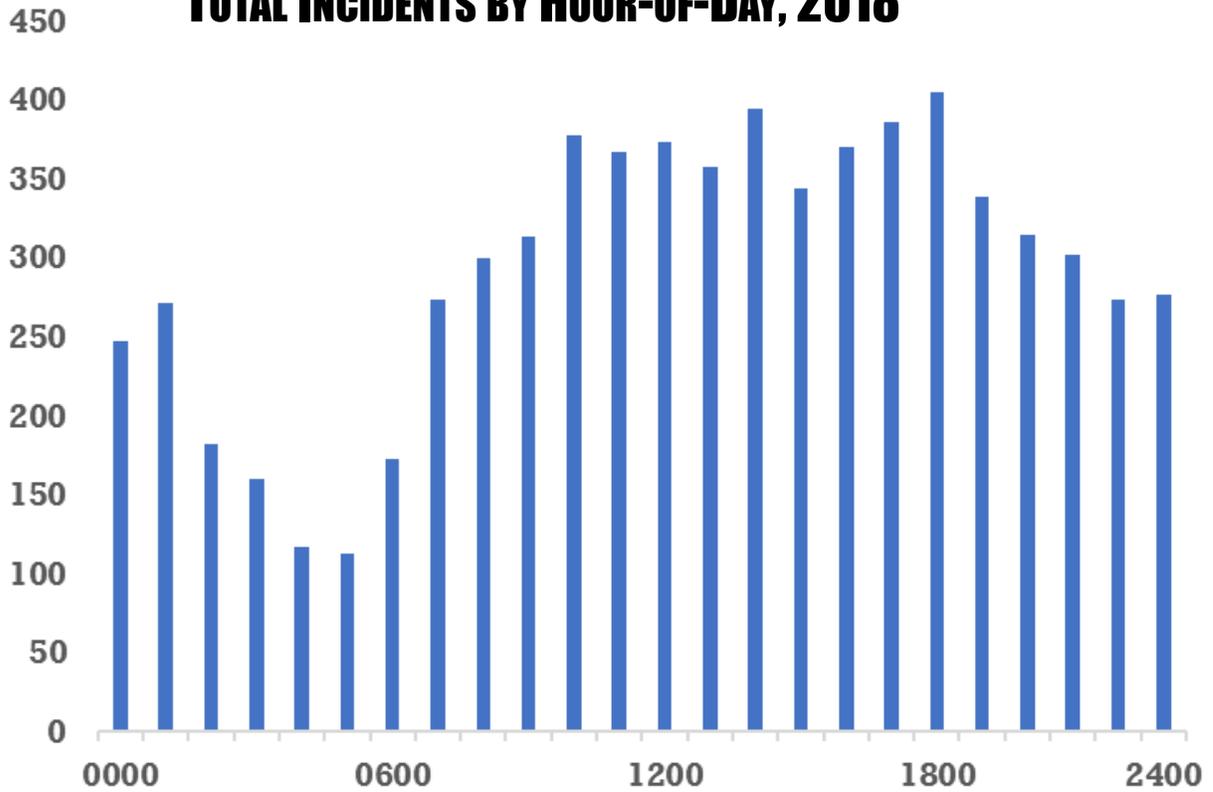


The department provides several technical rescue services for the City of Iowa City through the SORT team. The SORT team is based out of Station 1 with 20 members on the team. The SORT is proficient with Rescue 1 and the SORT trailer, utilizing a wide array of tools, equipment, and training to respond to larger scale emergency calls such as: water and ice rescue, trench and structural collapse rescue, vehicle and heavy machinery rescue, rope rescue, wide area search rescue, and confined space rescue. The ICFD also supports operations on the county dive team and a state-wide urban search and rescue team.

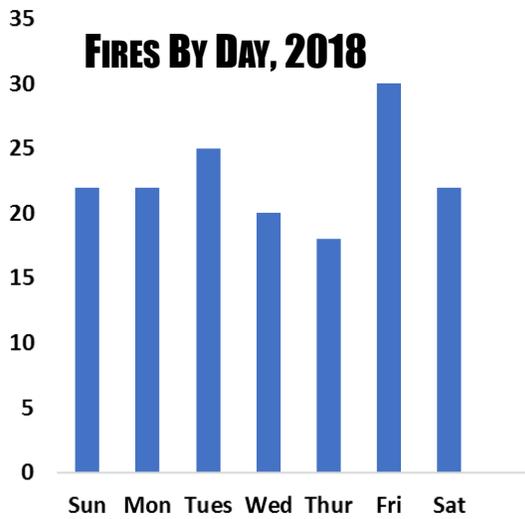
The ICFD responded to 15 calls involving some type of technical rescue in 2018. Additionally, SORT was on 94 calls for stand-by for a total of 436 hours.

RESPONSE STATISTICS

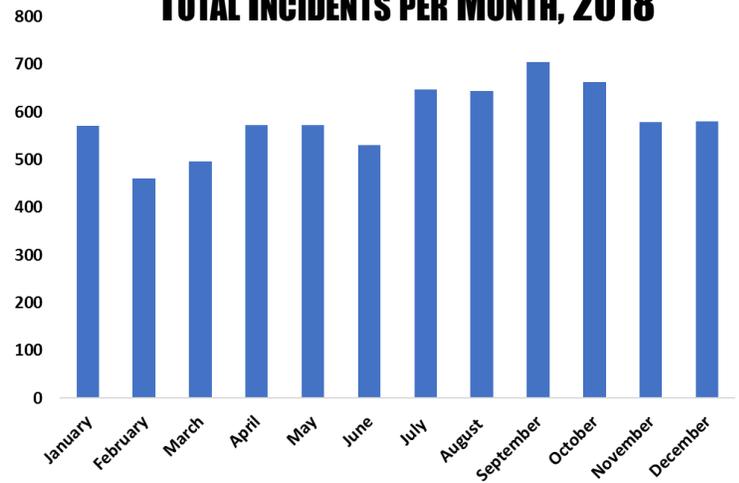
TOTAL INCIDENTS BY HOUR-OF-DAY, 2018



FIRES BY DAY, 2018



TOTAL INCIDENTS PER MONTH, 2018

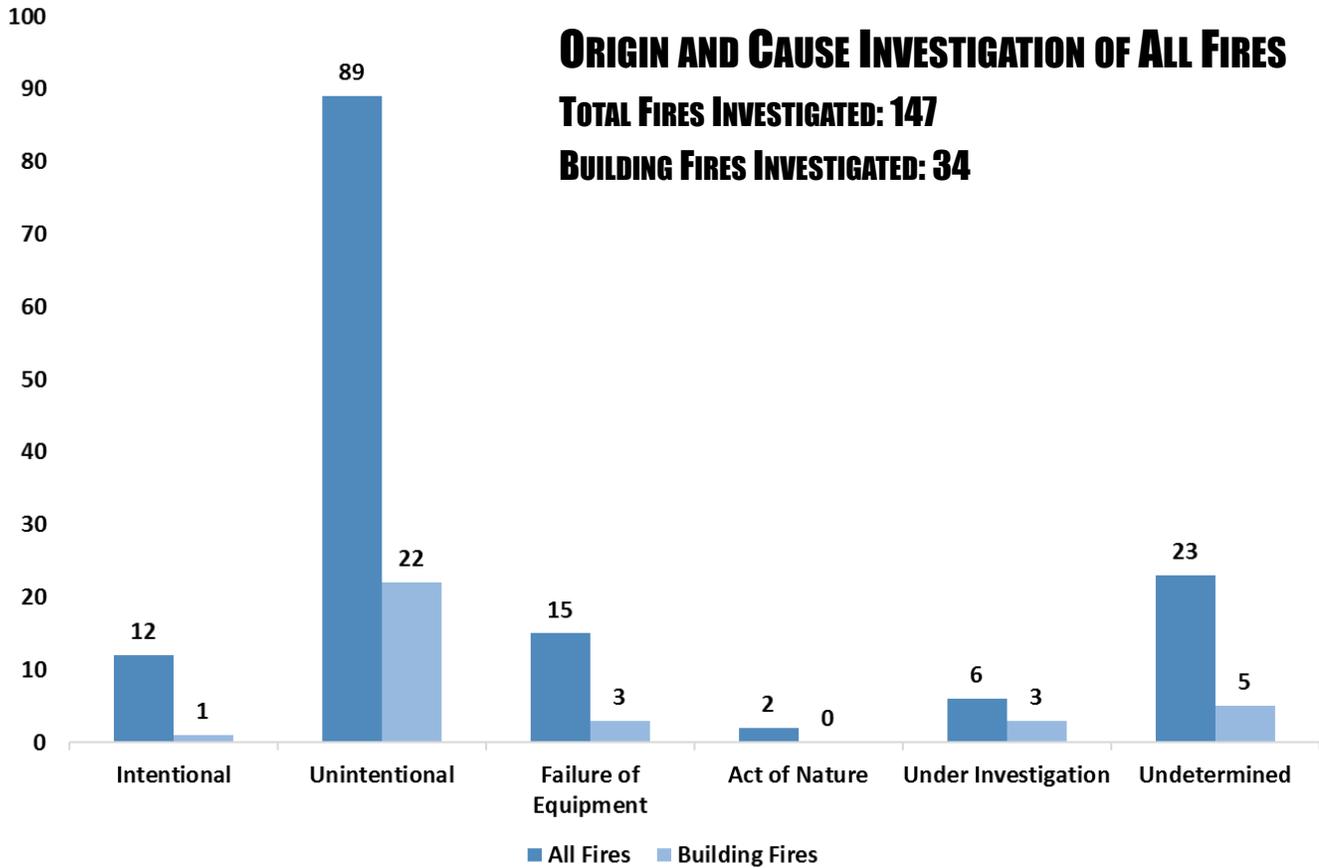


RESPONSE STATISTICS

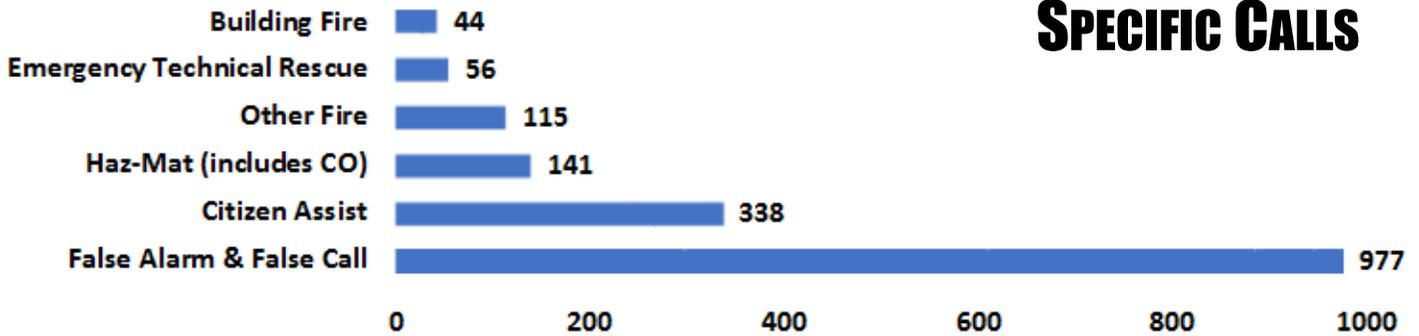
ORIGIN AND CAUSE INVESTIGATION OF ALL FIRES

TOTAL FIRES INVESTIGATED: 147

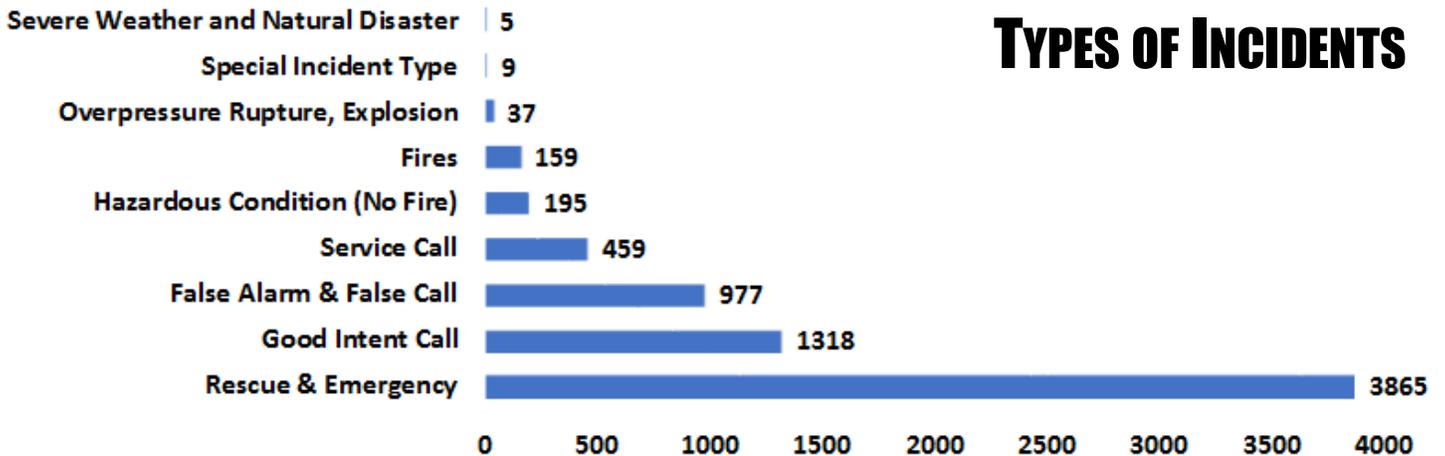
BUILDING FIRES INVESTIGATED: 34



SPECIFIC CALLS

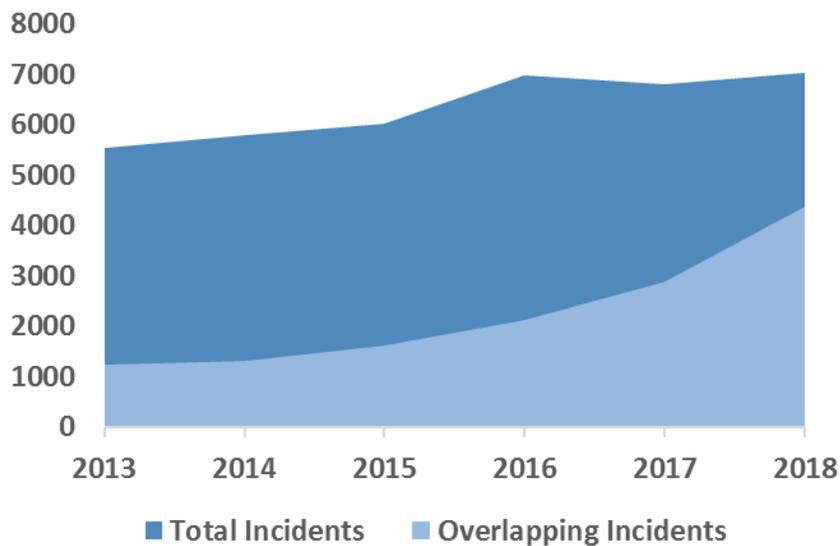


TYPES OF INCIDENTS



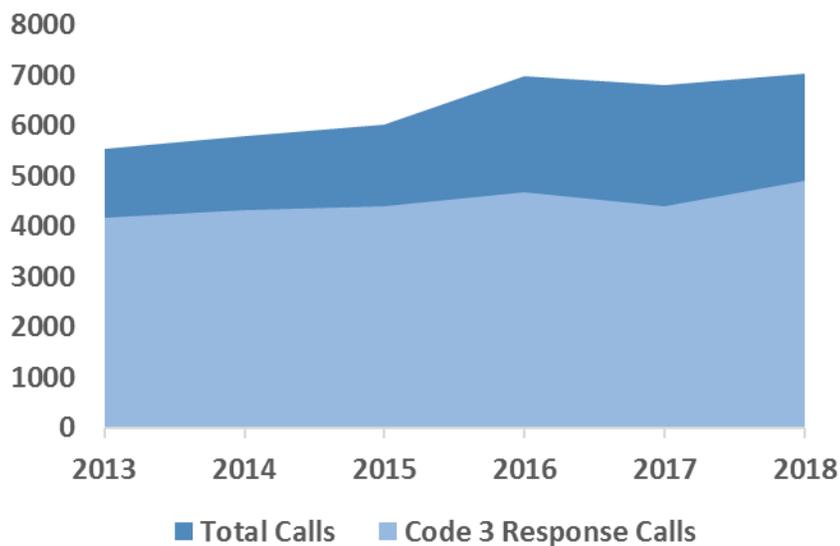
RESPONSE STATISTICS

OVERLAPPING INCIDENTS, 2018



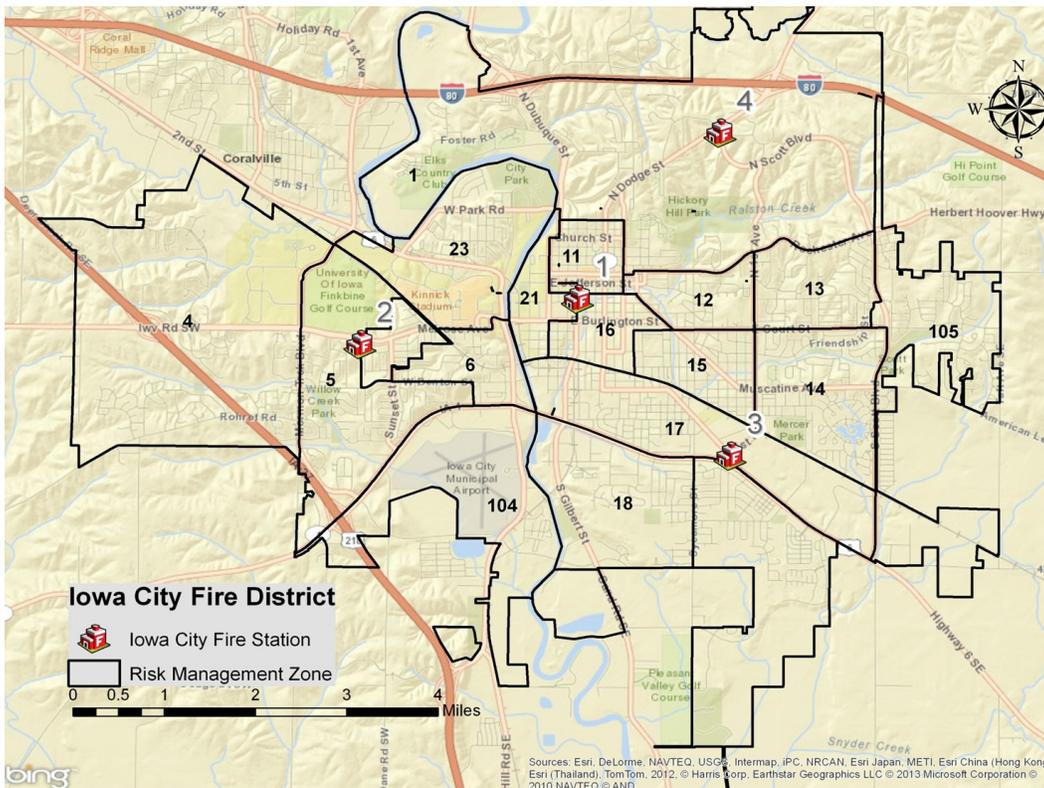
YEAR	OVERLAPPING	TOTAL	%
2013	1226	5531	22.2
2014	1314	5799	22.7
2015	1613	6016	26.8
2016	2116	6974	30.3
2017	2874	6799	42.2
2018	4382	7022	62.4

TOTAL INCIDENTS / EMERGENCY INCIDENTS, 2013 - 2018

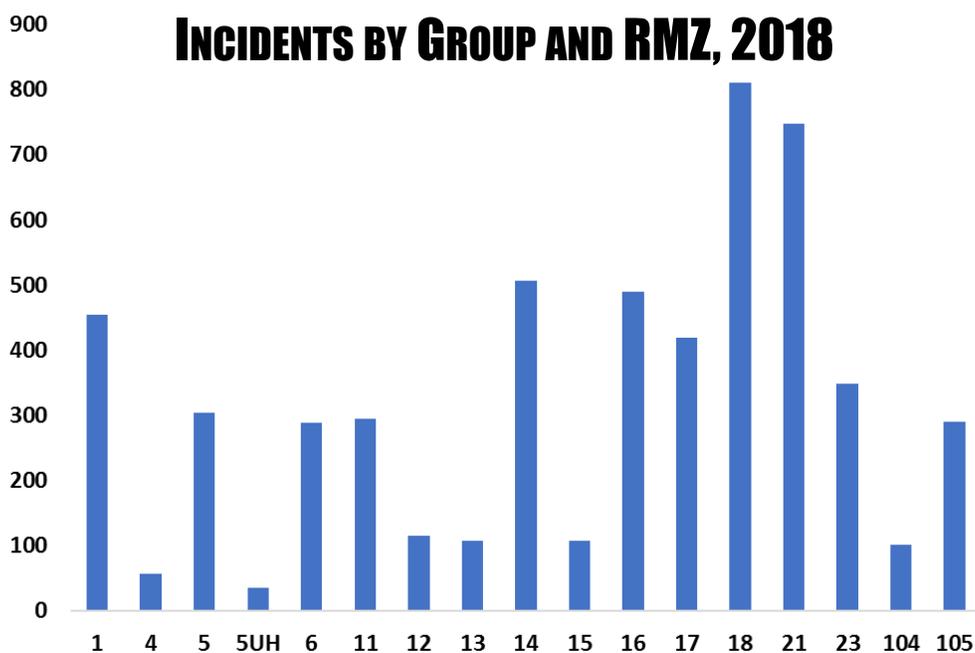


YEAR	CODE 3	TOTAL
2013	4175	5531
2014	4321	5799
2015	4406	6016
2016	4667	6974
2017	4391	6799
2018	4897	7022

16 PLANNING AREAS OR RISK MANAGEMENT ZONES (RMZs)



INCIDENTS BY GROUP AND RMZ, 2018



FIRE PREVENTION DIVISION

OFFICE OF THE FIRE MARSHAL // FIRE PREVENTION BUREAU

The Fire Marshal directs the activities of the Fire Prevention Bureau (FPB). The bureau provides oversight of all fire and life safety initiatives aimed at reducing preventable deaths and injuries and minimizing property loss. The FPB is divided into three main sections: code enforcement, fire investigations, and fire and life safety education. The bureau is supported by an inspector from each of the three shifts. This shift inspector is available to the FPB on a part-time basis and performs inspections on high hazard occupancies that require an annual inspection in order to maintain a license or certification and city owned buildings. The shift inspector is also designated lead fire investigator for any fires occurring during their tour of duty.

CODE ENFORCEMENT

Code enforcement is the most cost-effective means of preventing emergencies, saving lives and protecting property. The most efficient way to fight a fire is to prevent it from happening! The effort is accomplished through the permitting process, plan reviews and life safety inspections. Additionally, the Fire Marshal regularly provides on-site project planning consultations and participates in predevelopment and pre-construction meetings for new building and renovation projects.



FIRE INVESTIGATIONS

The department is tasked by the fire code, state code and industry standards to investigate all fires regardless of their size or significance. Depending on the complexity of the investigation, the department utilizes the Fire Marshal, the three shift investigators, company officers, police department fire investigators, the State Fire Marshal's designee, and previous Fire Prevention Bureau investigators serving on the Fire Investigation Team (FIT). All fires are investigated in a thorough and timely manner. All FIT investigators have certified training in arson/fire cause and origin determination and meet quarterly for continuing education and case review.

A total of 139 fire incidents, resulting in an overall total fire loss amount of \$2,227,750, were reported in 2017. The incident types "Building Fire" and "Cooking Fire — Confined to Container" accounted for the majority of reported incidents.

FIRE INSPECTIONS

Fire inspections are performed by both FPB personnel and in-service fire companies. The in-service company inspection program not only allows on-duty firefighters to perform walk-through inspections of occupancies in an effort to keep the occupancy more safe, it also has an added benefit of allowing firefighters to become more familiar with the properties, should they have to respond for an emergency in the future. Inspection frequency is based on two factors: mandates at the local, state and federal level as well as based on the occupancies identified level of risk.

Annual inspections are required for the following: assembly occupancies (restaurants, theaters, places of religion), educational facilities (pre-schools, child care centers, schools) and institutional occupancies (hospitals, nursing homes). These buildings are designated as high-hazard due to their associated risks and importance they play in the community. Biannual inspections are required by contract for all University of Iowa owned and operated buildings and structures. All other commercial properties are considered at the next lower level of risk, requiring an inspection every three years.

In addition to fire safety inspections of commercial properties, the fire marshal and fire inspectors have a wide range of other responsibilities, which include:

- Reviewing fire protection plans
- Witnessing acceptance testing of all fire safety systems.
- Issuing permits for various fire-related projects; i.e. prairie burns, ceremonial
- Inspection and recommendation of new buildings/businesses for Certificate of Occupancy.
- Monthly night time inspections and occupancy checks of public assembly occupancies.
- Timely follow-up of complaints/concerns of the community.

2018 TOTAL INSPECTIONS **1507**

COMMERCIAL	UNIVERSITY	LICENSE	STATE	CHURCHES	SCHOOLS
742	317	287	63	56	44

PUBLIC EDUCATION

PUBLIC EDUCATION - FIRE AND LIFE SAFETY EDUCATION

The Fire Prevention Bureau also provides oversight of all public education activities of the department. Fire and life safety education is another proactive method of Community Risk Reduction. All department personnel are involved in public education at varying levels, from station tours to presentations for schools, daycares, senior citizens and on and off campus at the University of Iowa. Fire Station 4 is designated as the public education specialty station. Personnel assigned to this station are heavily involved in designing, developing and implementing the bulk of ongoing programs. Smaller events, station tours and other educational opportunities are generally handled by fire personnel working in the district of the event.



A closed door may slow the spread of smoke, heat and fire.



Test smoke alarms at least once a month by pushing the test button.



If the smoke alarm sounds, get outside and stay outside. Go to your outside meeting place.



Install smoke alarms in every bedroom, outside each separate sleeping area, and on every level of the home, including the basement. Larger homes may need more alarms. For the best protection, make sure all smoke alarms are interconnected. When one sounds, they all sound.



Call the fire department from a cellphone or a neighbor's phone. Stay outside until the fire department says it's safe to go back inside.

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Public Education / Public Relations Activities and Events

- **Fire Station tours**
- **Presentations to schools & daycares**
- **UI Resident Assistant Fire Academy**
- **Crowd Control Manager**
- **Fire Safety Talks and exit drills for the University of Iowa occupancies**



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Child Car Seat Installation / Checks

30

Smoke Alarm Installs

KEY COMMUNITY EVENTS

EMERGENCY SERVICES YOUTH SUMMER CAMP

The ICFD hosted the second annual youth emergency services summer camp at Station 4 in July with the assistance of the ICPD, UIPD, JCAS and JCEMA. The 2018 camp had 96 participants total, from grades 4-12. The goal of the camp was for youth participants to walk away viewing themselves through a more confident and courageous lens by learning and practicing fire, police and EMS skills. Campers were able to practice CPR, first aid, use fire extinguishers, advance and use



fire hoses, go on air with an SCBA, perform a search and rescue for victims, ride at the top of the 100 foot ladder truck and rappel a distance of one story. Pre and post-camp surveys showed positive growth in almost all measures captured by the Camper Growth Index, which measured leadership, self-esteem and positive values and decision making.

COMMUNITY AUTISM DAY

The ICFD hosted its second annual Community Autism Day in April to promote positive relationships with members of the community with special needs, focusing on autism, and their families. Fire and life safety are discussed in small groups and adjusted to better accommodate the needs of the community members that attend the event.



FIRE PREVENTION WEEK PRESENTATION

The ICFD continued its tradition of a fire safety presentation to each school during Fire Prevention week in October. This year, the fire safety message was “Every Second Counts: Plan 2 Ways Out” and was delivered to 14 schools, 50 classes, and over 2500 students total.



KEY COMMUNITY EVENTS

SAFETY VILLAGE

Safety Village is a two-week summer camp where children learn safety in a hands-on way. The Safety Village is a child-size village, complete with buildings, streets, traffic lights and pedal driven cars. The ICFD provided lessons on fire safety, smoke detectors and exit drills to 200 campers on multiple days. The ICFD also created the first annual modified Safety Village, a one-week camp, for those children who would be more successful with smaller groups, and adapted lesson plans customized to their needs. The modified Safety Village had eight campers this year with four emergency services staff to ensure a 1:2 ratio for success.



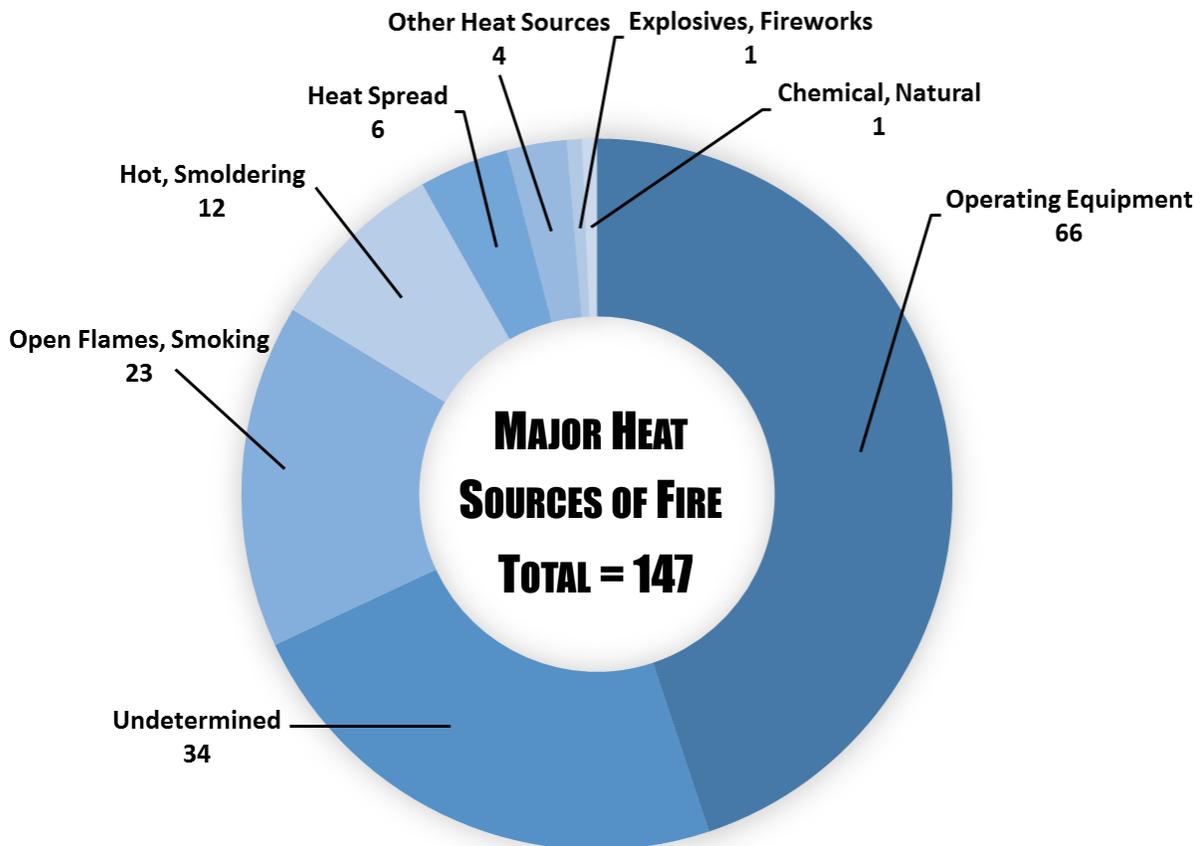
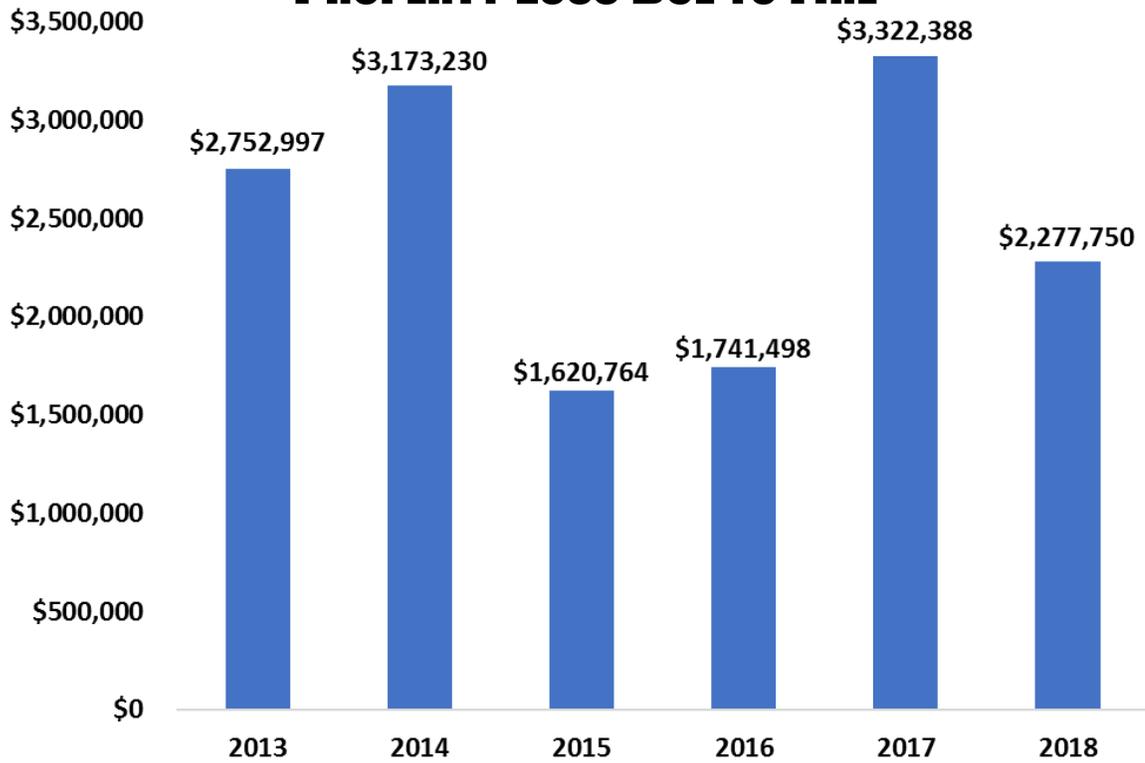
FIRED UP ABOUT READING

In its fourth year, the ICFD continued to promote literacy and engage with elementary students in the underserved schools in the Iowa City Community School District. The program was delivered to 15 classes in five different schools to over 300 students. Students are challenged to read as much as possible in each 6-8 week program with on-going incentives to those who participate. The incentives include a fire chief visit, fire engine show-off, reading with firefighters, t-shirts and other prizes. The program ends with the top readers in each class becoming a “Firefighter For a Day” in which the students are picked up from school in a fire engine and brought to a station where they are given a full station tour, learn about the job, train with the fire hoses, TICs and other equipment and eat the lunch of their choice with firefighters before being returned to school.



COMMUNITY RISK REDUCTION

PROPERTY LOSS DUE TO FIRE



HONOR GUARD



The ICFD Honor Guard was established in November of 2000. Since its inception, the Honor Guard has been a voluntary program made up of active and retired members of the ICFD. These dedicated individuals volunteer time and resources in support of their mission and reflect the commitment of firefighting professionals. The Honor Guard represents the ICFD at funerals, memorial services and special events. The Honor Guard's goal is to represent all members of the fire department, retired and active, in the highest degree of professionalism, dedication, loyalty, honor and dignity possible. We strive to honor firefighters in life, as well as death, and to exhibit the best possible image to the entire community. In addition to funerals and memorial services, the Honor Guard may be called upon to post colors and assist families during a time of need and to stand guard at funeral homes.

TRAINING DIVISION

The Training Division designs, coordinates and conducts all training for the ICFD under the direction of the Training Battalion Chief and the Training Officer Fire Lieutenant. The Training Division ensures all personnel are able to safely and effectively perform the critical tasks required of their position and rank. Training is supported each month through scheduled and unscheduled individual, company, shift and department level training topics and classes.

The ICFD currently utilizes the Target Solutions web-based training program and cache of resources and continuing education classes. The Training Division maintains the training records and ensures that every ICFD employee is up-to-date on mandatory certifications.

2018 ICFD Total Training Hours | 26,568

**FIRE, RESCUE & EMS
TRAINING HOURS**

**PHYSICAL FITNESS
TRAINING HOURS**

**MONTHLY AVERAGE
TRAINING HOURS / FF**

20,728

5,840

34.59





There were no new members to the Iowa City Fire Department in 2018. Typically, prior to being placed on a duty shift, the new hires complete a 240 hour recruit academy. Veteran staff lead them through basic firefighting skill development, share first-hand knowledge and prepare them for their new roles as a firefighter. During the first three years of employment, members must obtain a number of certifications and successfully meet all established standards.

In 2018, the Iowa City Fire Department completed 20,728 training hours on a wide range of topics, through internal and external training programs as well as 5,840 hours of fitness training. The ICFD continued to utilize the Coralville Fire Department Regional Training Center, maximize the use of acquired structures for hands-on drills, and developed a number of alternatives to standard training methodologies.

The Training Division provided valuable end-user input on a building and site design for a new ICFD Training Facility. The land and building plans were confirmed and construction will begin in 2019. The new facility should be operational and accessible to the ICFD towards the end of 2019. The facility will be located off of McCollister Boulevard by the City's Fuel Pump Station.

The Training Division was able to perform the first acquired structure live fire training in seven years, through a generous donation by ACT. Crews performed multiple fire attack evolutions to maximize the training value from the acquired structure.

2018 MILESTONES

COMMAND STAFF

RANK	NAME	YEARS OF SERVICE
FIRE CHIEF	JOHN GRIER	26
DEPUTY FIRE CHIEF	ERIC NURNBERG	17
FIRE MARSHAL	BRIAN GREER	27
BATTALION CHIEF	GREG TINNES	22
BATTALION CHIEF	BRIAN ROHR	22
BATTALION CHIEF	ZACH HICKMAN	17
TRAINING OFFICER	BRANDON SMITH	17

COMPANY OFFICERS

RANK	NAME	STATION ASSIGNMENT	YEARS OF SERVICE	
CAPTAIN	BOB HENRY	STATION 1	22	
	TINA HUMSTON		18	
	BRYAN HARDIN		16	
LIEUTENANT	JOHN ROCKENSIES	STATION 1	16	
	BILL SCHMOOKE		10	
	TIM RECKER		9	
		RICK CHILDS	STATION 2	17
		TROY ROTH		17
		BRANDEN SOBASKI		9
		SCOTT GOOLSBY	STATION 3	34
		DAN BUSER		24
		SCOT DEVALK		22
		AXEL SWANSON	STATION 4	18
		TODD IRWIN		7
		TOM HARTSHORN		4

2018 MILESTONES

STATION 1 FIREFIGHTERS

NAME	YEARS OF SERVICE
DARRALL BRICK	28
JANET VEST	28
PAUL SUEDKAMP	26
ADAM RISS	22
LANCE CAROLAN	19
JOE CORBIN	18
JON HARDING	18
GERRY BRICK	17
TIM HANSEN	17
WILL SHANAHAN	10
ANDY WULFEKUHLE	9
MERV MILLER	8
JOHN CRANE	7
SADIE MCDOWELL	7
BRANDON PFLANZER	7
FRANK SIR-LOUIS	5
MATT BOERJAN	4
RYAN HAXMEIER	4
DUSTIN SIEVERS	4
BROCK KRAXNER	3
JOSH WUTKE	3
NATHAN PARKER	1
CAM REESE	1

STATION 2 FIREFIGHTERS

NAME	YEARS OF SERVICE
CHRIS LACY	26
JASON BRODIE	12
CLINT MCFARLAND	8
BEN CASKEY	6
SAM BROWN	4
CORY MCFARLAND	2

STATION 3 FIREFIGHTERS

GLENN PAULEY	21
JASON JORDAN	17
CHRIS PENICK	8
JOHN WINTER	7
MATT FARREY	5
DUSTIN SIEVERS	4

STATION 4 FIREFIGHTERS

LARRY WHITE	18
BRIAN MARAK	17
TIM BELL	13
DAN READE	13
COLLIN WELLSANDT	7
ANTHONY KRUMBHOLZ	2

DEPARTURES



SCOTT SWEETALLA
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