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Village Board of Trustees
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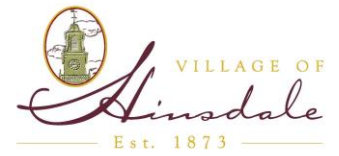
RE: Executive Summary - Fire Department Activities for March 2023

In summary, the Fire Department activities for **March 2023** included responding to a total of **241** emergency incidents. There were **33** fire-related incidents, **148** emergency medical-related incidents, **20** emergency/service-related incidents and **40** mutual aid responses.

This month, the average response time from receiving a call to Department crews responding averaged **62** seconds. Response time from receiving a call to Department crews arriving on the scene was **4** minutes and **15** seconds.

In the month of **March**, there was **\$700** in loss due to fires in Hinsdale. Members were called to assist Burr Ridge, Clarendon Hills, Lyons, Oak Brook, Western Springs, Westmont and Willowbrook.

In the month of **March**, Chief Giannelli and Deputy Chief Carlson covered short shifts due to shift staffing shortages. The total hours covered were **51**, thereby saving the Village an estimated **\$3,060** in overtime.



Emergency Response

In March, the Hinsdale Fire Department responded to a total of 241 requests for assistance. There were 43 simultaneous responses and one train delay this month. Department responses are divided into four basic response categories (Fire, Ambulance, Emergency and Mutual Aid Related):

<i>Type of Response</i>	<i>March 2023</i>	<i>March 2023 % of Total</i>	<i>Three Year Average March 2020-2021-2022</i>
Fire: (Includes incidents that involve fire, either in a structure, in a vehicle or outside of a structure, along with activated fire alarms and/or reports of smoke)	33	14%	45
Ambulance: (Includes ambulance requests, vehicle accidents and patient assists)	148	61%	109
Emergency: (Includes calls for leaks and spills, hazardous material response, power lines down, carbon monoxide alarms, trouble fire alarms, house lock outs, elevator rescues, and other service related calls)	20	8%	31
Mutual Aid Responses: (Includes mutual aid fire, ambulance and emergency responses to areas outside of Hinsdale)	40	17%	*Included in fire, ambulance and emergency totals prior to 2023
Simultaneous: (Responses while another call is on-going. Number is included in total)	43	18%	26
Train Delay: (Number is included in total)	1	<1%	2
Total:	241	100%	185

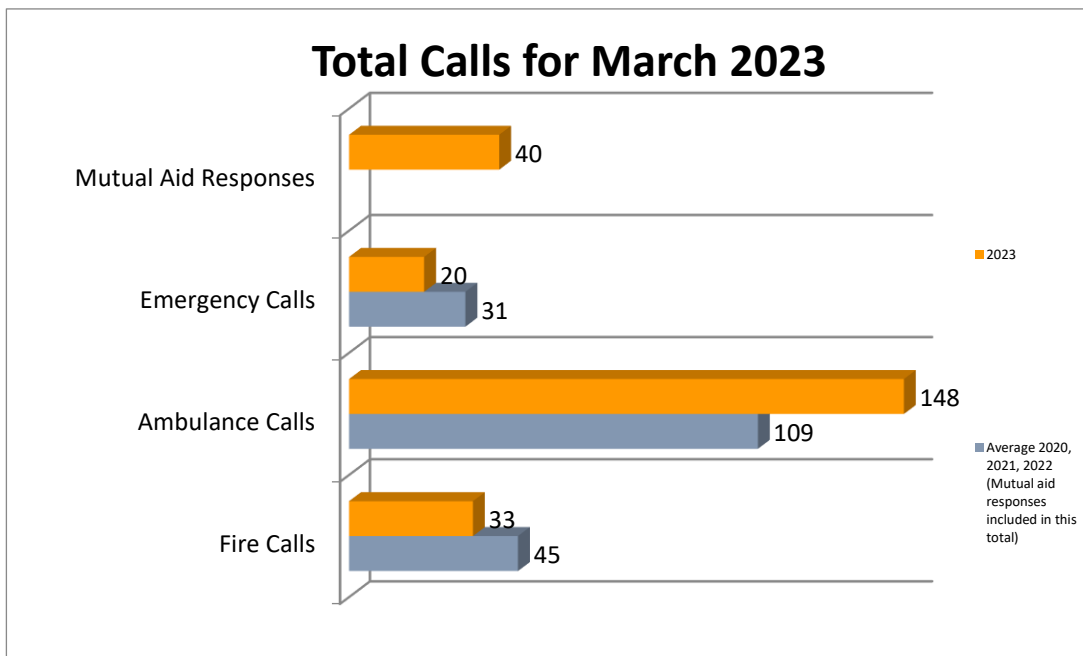
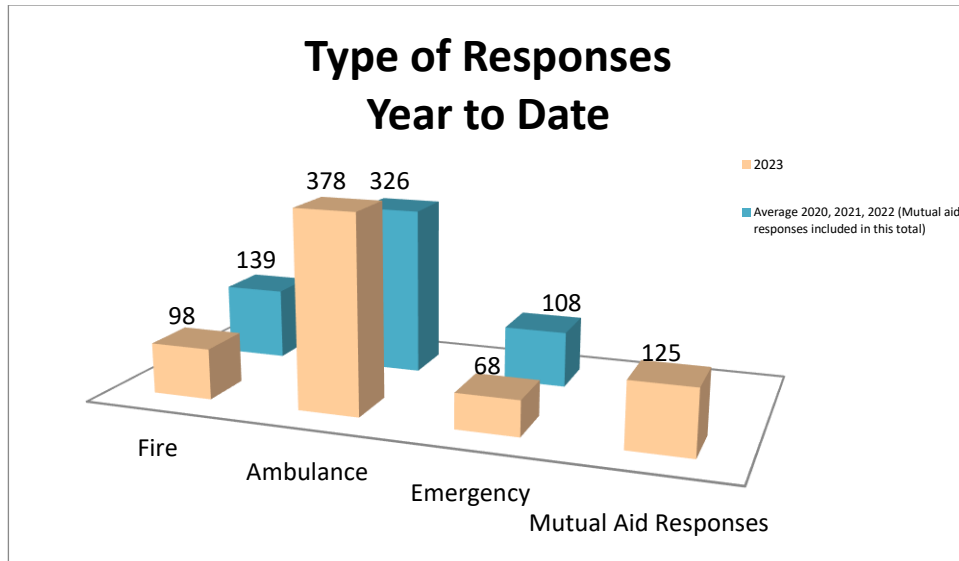
Year to Date Totals

Fire: 98	Ambulance: 378	Emergency: 68	Mutual Aid: 125
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2023 Total Calls: 669	2020-21-22 Average Total Calls: 573
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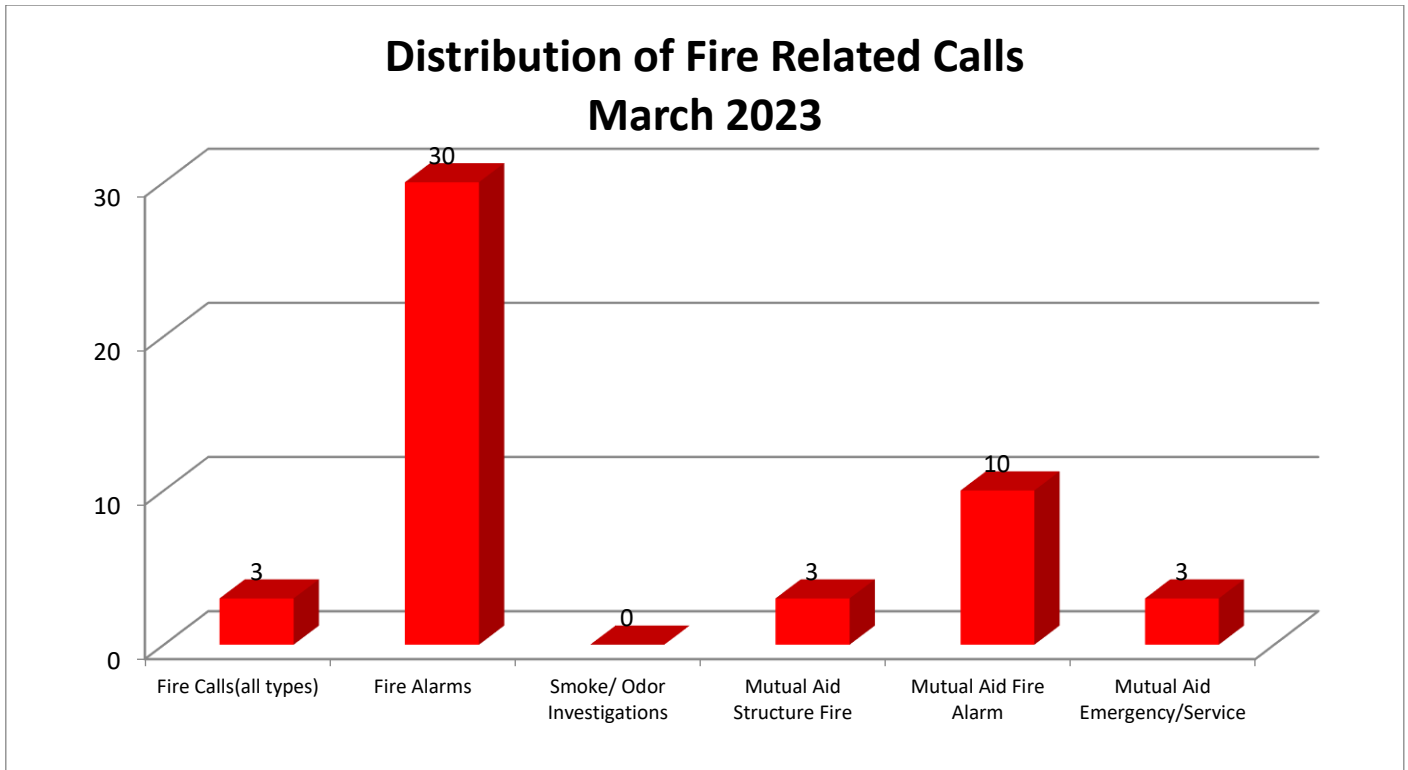
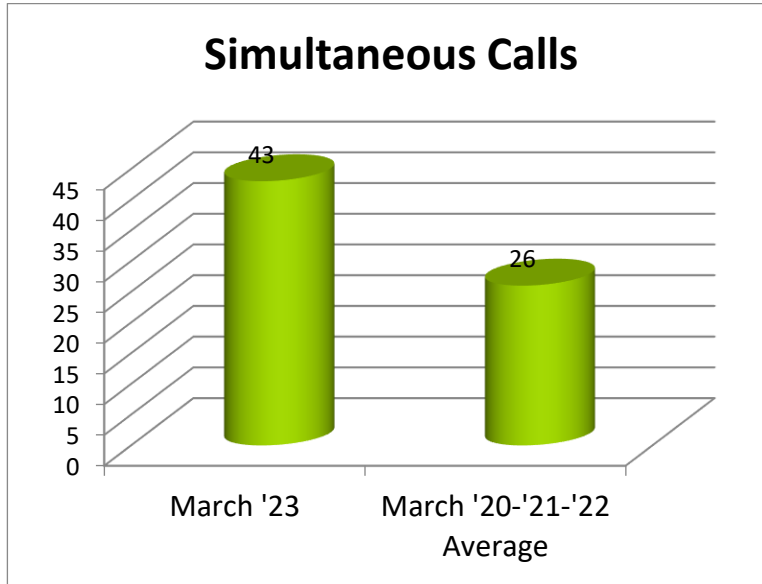


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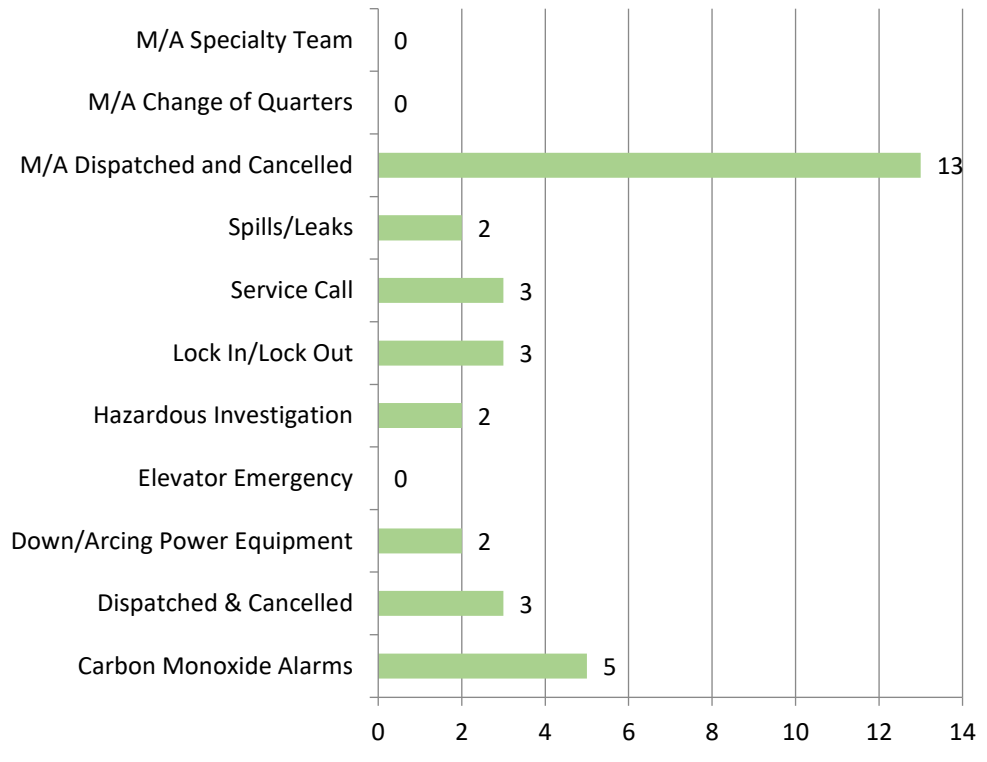
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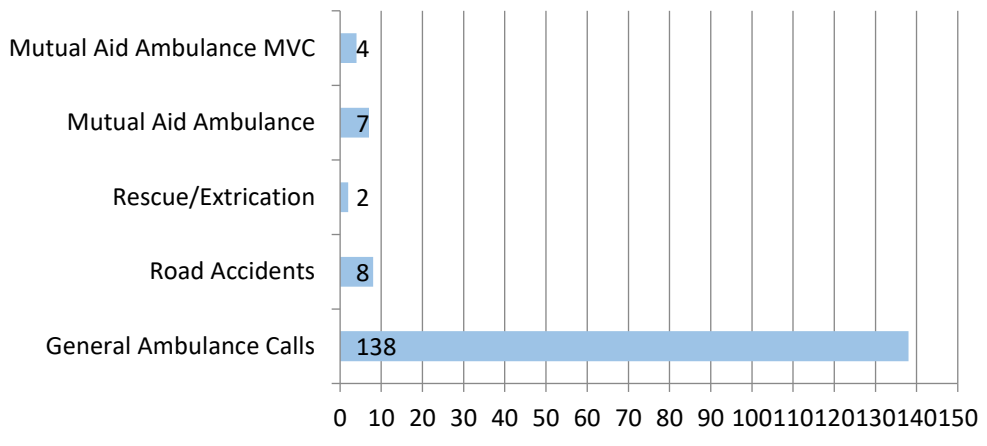


Emergency Response

Distribution of Emergency Related Calls March 2023



Distribution of EMS Related Calls March 2023





Incidents of Interest

Date & Call #

03/12/2023

23-0531-

Gold shift members responded in E84 to I-294 SB at mile 28 for a vehicle on fire. Upon arrival companies found a fully involved vehicle. It was extinguished using a combination of water and firefighting foam. The occupant of the vehicle was unharmed.



03/12/2023

23-0534-

Gold Shift responded to RML Hospital for the delivery vehicle that had struck a sprinkler pipe in their front overhang. This caused a large water leak. E84 was able to assist maintenance with shutting down the sprinkler system and isolating the leak so that repairs could be made.

03/26/2023

23-0627-

Red shift members responded to a structure fire on Grant Street. Upon arrival T84 found a portable charger that was on fire and had burned the carpeting underneath it. Station 84 units investigated and found no extension and that the fire was out. No injuries to any Station 84 members or residents. Extension was quickly ruled. Resident was examined and interviewed as to what had occurred. Station 84 units then returned after speaking with homeowner and making sure that there were no further problems.

03/30/2023

23-0655-

Gold shift members responded for the multiple vehicle accident on I-294 SB at mile marker 26 3/4. On arrival companies discovered two vehicles on their side, with heavy damage to three other vehicles. All vehicles were checked and secured. Three additional ambulances were requested to the scene and a total of five patients were transported to Hinsdale and LaGrange Hospitals.





Training/Events

In addition to the daily training in EMS, Technical Rescue, Hazardous Materials, Firefighting and vehicle checks, members complete an array of special activities and training throughout the year. Highlights for the month of March include the following:

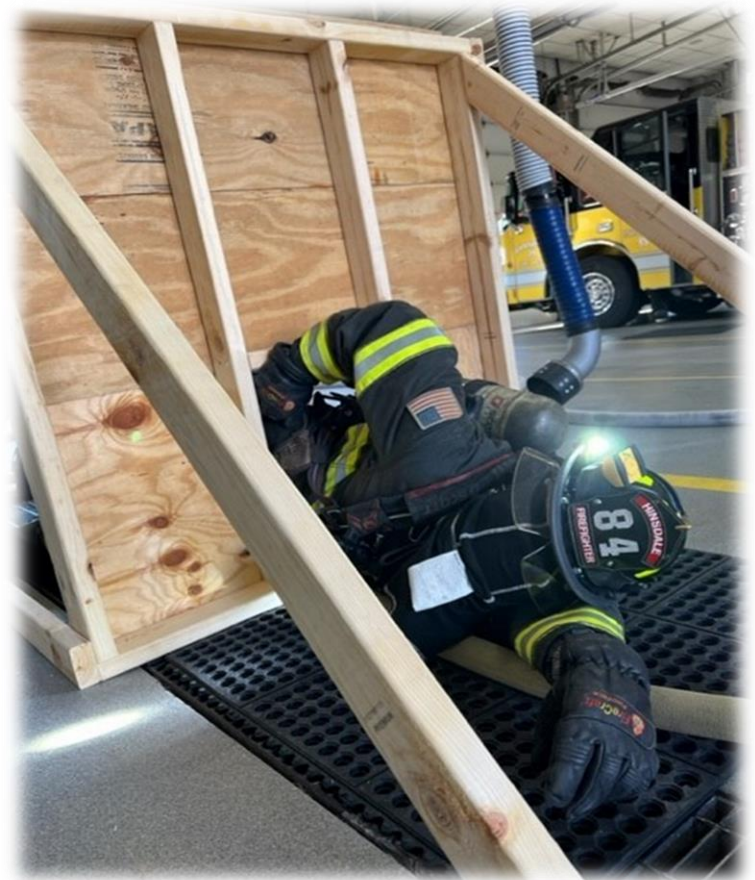
On March 6th members of the department completed Electric Vehicle Safety Training presented by the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW).

On March 14th a walkthrough at the AT & T building was conducted.

On March 21st shift members assisted Hinsdale's Department of Public Services with the prairie burns at Charleston Road and Jackson Street.

On March 21st department members trained with a representative from Nicor on the appropriate response to natural gas emergencies.

Throughout the month of March, various firefighter/paramedics also completed specialized training in tactical rescue team operations, structural collapse and rope rescues, as well as completing paramedic continuing education in conjunction with Hinsdale Hospital.



Pictured above is a Hinsdale firefighter/paramedic during Self Contained Breathing Apparatus Confined Space Training performed on various dates throughout the month of March.



Public Education/Community Engagement

The Hinsdale Fire Department participated in numerous public education and community engagement activities during the month of March. These events included several CPR training classes including one for staff members of Wellness House held at the Hinsdale Fire Department. The department also hosted many of our youngest residents for the Hinsdale Junior Firefighters event on March 3rd. On March 13th the Hinsdale Fire Department presented the Fire Safety Education Program to an enthusiastic crowd of Kindergarten and First Grade students at St. Isaac Jogues School. And on March 18th Gold shift members were on site during the DARE Lock-in at Hinsdale Central High School.



A Hinsdale firefighter/paramedic can be seen here educating students during the “fear of the gear” portion of the Fire Safety Education Program. This presentation familiarizes children with the different parts of the gear and teaches them what a firefighter looks like so they will not be fearful of their appearance in an emergency situation.



Fire Prevention & Safety Education

- The Bureau continues to schedule and conduct annual inspections and testing in addition to plan reviews.
- The Bureau continues to work with businesses to ensure their alarm status are in service.

Inspection Activities

March 2023 had a total of 55 Fire Inspection Activities:

Inspections - 15

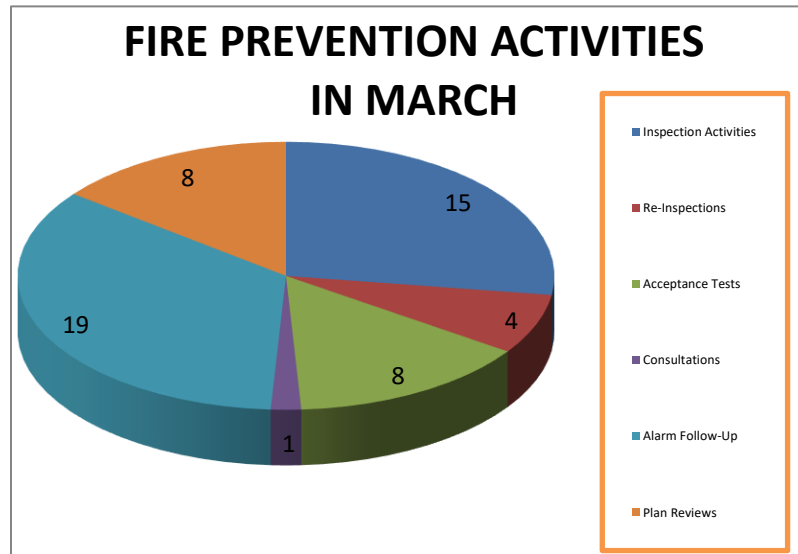
Re-Inspections – 4

Acceptance Test – 8

Consultations - 1

Alarm Follow-Up - 19

Plan Reviews - 8



\$3,235.00 in inspection fees were forwarded to the Finance Department for the month of March.