Our Mission

The Evanston Fire Department exists 24 hours of every day, to protect life, property and the environment.

Our members have professionally served the City of Evanston with honor, bravery and unwavering dedication since 1875.

Our Values

Service  Tradition  Professionalism

“For others, with distinction, faithful to our heritage.”
By the numbers

3,602
Fire Responses

10,059
Total Emergency Calls

6,457
Emergency Medical Services
By the numbers

Evanston Fire - 30 Year Chart

**51%**

Increase in calls for service
By the numbers

- **3:15 average response time**
  - for both fire and EMS calls
  - Well below 4-min. standard of National Fire Protection Association

- **$83,936,314**
  - Saved property

- **90 fires mitigated**
  - Estimated loss $1,424,030

- **98%**
  - Property involved saved

- **0**
  - 2017 Fire Fatalities
By the numbers

**Daily Staffing - 26**

Station #1
- Engine 21 3 firefighter/paramedics
- Ambulance 21 2 firefighter/paramedics
- Shift Chief 1 firefighter/paramedic

Station #2
- Engine 22 3 firefighter/paramedics
- Truck 22 3 firefighter/paramedics
- Ambulance 22 2 firefighter/paramedics

Station #3
- Engine 23 3 firefighter/paramedics
- Truck 23 3 firefighter/paramedics
- Ambulance 23 0 (Shared with Engine 23)

Station #4
- Engine 24 3 firefighter/paramedics

Station #5
- Engine 25 3 firefighter/paramedics

**110**
Full-time professional staff
107 sworn/3 civilian support staff

**ISO Rating 2**
Evanston in top 1.8% of all U.S. Fire Departments
By the numbers

**Fire Prevention Activities**

- Over **673** field inspections
- **423** fire and life safety construction plans reviewed.
- **29** Fire Investigations
- Life safety oversight of **26** special events in the City.
- Over **268** public education events and activities including over **187** neighborhood block parties.
Community Engagement

Fire Explorers

34 Current Members
Over 80 since 2012
Community Engagement

ETHS Public Safety Program

13 Current Students
Over 200 since inception
Community Engagement

Community Emergency Response Team

24 Current Members
Community Engagement

Citizen CPR

310 people certified in 2017
Over 1,500 since 2012
Department Highlights for 2017

FIRE OPS 101, a program that helped city officials understand day-to-day life as a first responder.
Department Highlights for 2017

Emergency Preparedness Management completely revised and received Illinois Emergency Management Agency approval for an updated all hazards Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) for the City.
In cooperation with the Emergency Telecommunications Center, the Department implemented an upgraded Computer Aided Dispatch System, and Fire Incident Reporting System.
Department Highlights for 2017

Provided advanced certification to all paramedics in Advanced Cardiac Life Support.
Department Highlights for 2017

Fire and life safety education programs were expanded to all primary school children (K-5th grade) in the City.
The Department’s strategic plan continued to be implemented which included a community walk through of the plan as well as a community satisfaction and expectations survey for the department.
Looking Ahead to 2018

- The Department will conduct expanded recruitment and new hire testing for the purpose of creating an eligibility list for new firefighter/paramedics.

- In cooperation with Northwestern University work on a cooperative agreement for a shared Emergency Operations Center.

- Emergency Preparedness Management will continue working with City Departments on enhanced emergency preparedness and NIMS compliance while helping the business community prepare for continuity of operations in the event of a disaster.
Looking Ahead to 2018

- All members will be offered the opportunity to complete NFA Incident Safety Officer and Pediatric Advanced Life Support (PALS) certification.

- In cooperation with the IT and the Emergency Telecommunications Center, the Department will implement upgraded Pre-Incident Planning and EMS Emergency Patient Care Reporting (ePCR) system software.

- The community engagement programs, Fire Explorer, ETHS Public Safety, Citizen CPR, CERT and Citizen Fire Academy will be offered.

- The Department will continue its Strategic Plan implementation.