Evanston
FIRE DEPARTMENT

2016 Annual Report

Brian Scott, Fire Chief

February 27, 2017
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.”
Evanston Fire Department 2016 Annual Report

By the numbers

3,826 Fire Responses

10,267 Highest Call Volume Ever

6,441 Emergency Medical Services
By the numbers

Evanston Fire - 30 Year Chart

65%
Increase in calls for service
By the numbers

3:02 average response time for both fire and EMS calls
Well below 4-min. standard of National Fire Protection Association

$263,936,121
Saved property

98% property involved saved

114 fires mitigated
Estimated loss $3,383,917

0
2016 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

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

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

**Fire Prevention Activities**

- Over 758 field inspections
- 446 fire and life safety construction plans reviewed.
- 25 Fire Investigations
- Life safety oversight of 28 special events in the City.
- Over 265 public education events and activities including over 100 neighborhood block parties.
Community Engagement

Fire Explorers

30 Current Members
Over 70 since 2012
Community Engagement

ETHS Public Safety Program

17 Current Students
Over 200 since inception
Community Engagement

Citizen Fire Academy

13 Graduates of the 2016 CFA
47 graduates since 2014
Community Engagement

Citizen CPR

521 people certified in 2016
Over 1,200 since 2012
Department Highlights for 2016

• Emergency Management Division led a citywide effort to prepare all City Departments to act, continue to function, and recover, should natural or man-made events adversely affect the city.
  o Completed evacuation procedures and floor warden training for all City facilities

• Completed Fire Apparatus Operators promotional exam in cooperation with Human Resources

• Completed an average of 405 hrs. of training including Pediatric Advanced Life Support certification for all EFD paramedics

• Established a video conferencing link among all Fire Stations and Fire Department Headquarters
Department Highlights for 2016

- Initiated an “After the Fire” assistance program
- In partnership with Special Recreation staff, participated in Special Olympics Unified Sports Programs
- Awarded Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program (AFG) for $221,091 to purchase vitally important self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA)
- Placed new ambulance (A21) into service
Looking Ahead to 2017

- Emergency Management will continue working with City Departments on a state of the art emergency notification system and emergency operations center, along with continued preparedness training for City staff.

- Finalize updates to our emergency operations, evacuation and resource management plans.

- In cooperation with Human Resources, prepare and execute promotional exams for the positions of Shift Chief and Captain.

- In cooperation with the Telecommunications Center, finish implementation of an upgraded Computer Aided Dispatch System and Fire Incident Reporting System.
Looking Ahead to 2017

• Implement state of the art pre-hospital Emergency Medical Reporting and Emergency Pre-Planning mapping software

• Enhance and expand fire and life safety education programs to include all Evanston school children in grades K-5

• Recertify EFD paramedics in Advanced Cardiac Life Support Certification

• Review and update the Department’s Strategic Plan

• Work with City staff and the community to conduct recruitment for the 2018 new hire eligibility list