



MURRAY CITY
FIRE DEPARTMENT



2010 Annual Report



MURRAY CITY CORPORATION
FIRE DEPARTMENT

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Message from the Fire Chief

It's that time again when we have compiled our data and proceedings for the year and are proud to present you with our 2010 Annual Report.

As with the past few years, we were once again faced with many challenges. A stagnant or shrinking budget, as well as the uncertainty of our future economy, has presented the challenge of doing our jobs a little differently and being more creative. Although somewhat daunting at times, the reality is that we are all in this together. With the economy not rebounding as fast as we'd like, we've had to explore alternatives to the way we do business and still provide an exceptional service to the citizens of our community.

Calls for medical transports declined slightly, which we feel is a direct reflection of the economy. Nevertheless, our ambulance service has met our projections and continues to deliver a quality service to our customers. No matter the situation, there is one constant that remains, and that is the dedication and commitment of our personnel to the citizens and visitors of Murray City.

As a member of the Metro Fire Agency, our department continues to work and train with our surrounding departments to provide the best fire, EMS and special operations services available. This year, the Metro Fire Agency achieved endorsement by the State of Utah, Division of Homeland Security, as an Urban Search and Rescue Alliance.

It is an honor to be a part of Murray City and serve in this community. As Fire Chief and on behalf of all members of our department, we thank you for your continued support, trust, and confidence and we vow to continue to serve in a dedicated and professional manner.

Sincerely,
MURRAY CITY FIRE DEPARTMENT

Gil Rodriguez, Fire Chief

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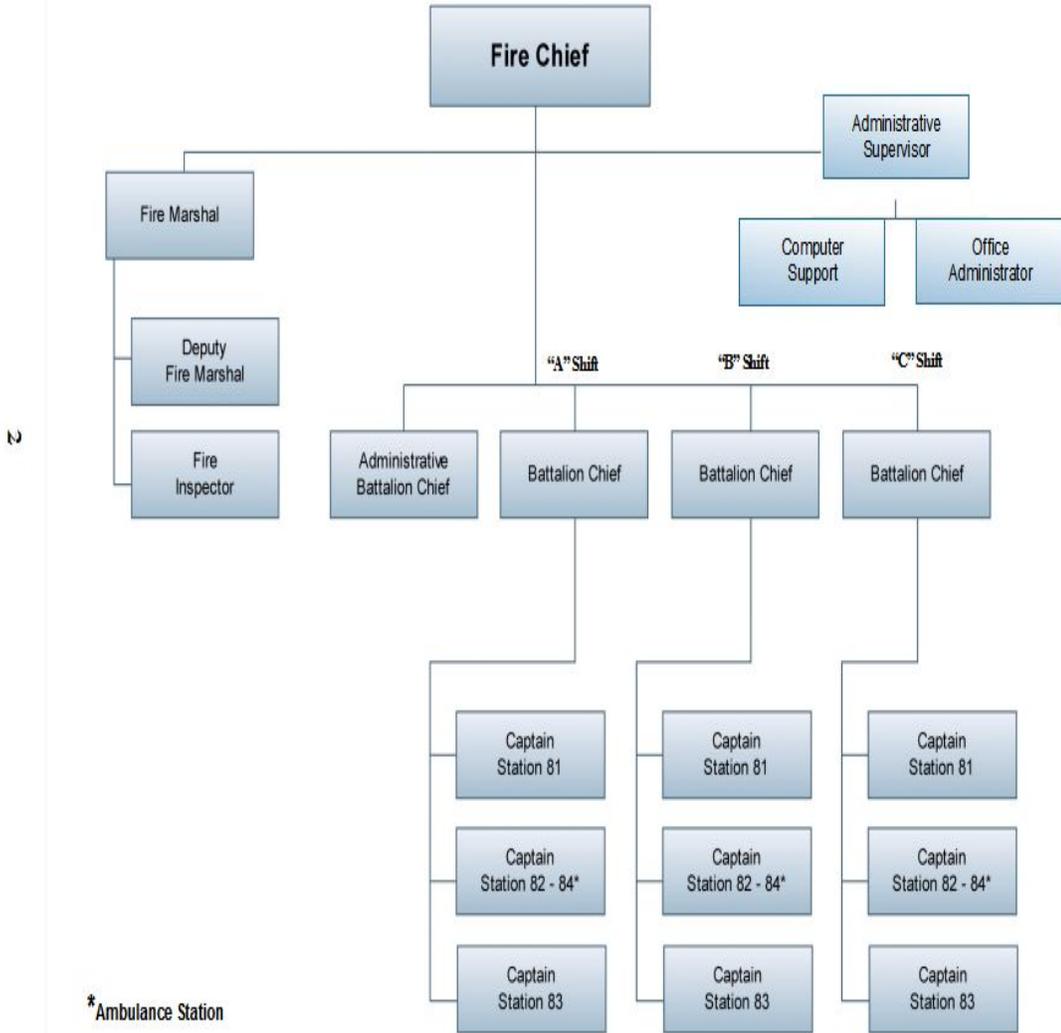
Mission Statement

The role and mission of the fire department is to provide fire protection, fire prevention and emergency medical services to the residential and business population of the city, with a well-trained staff in an organized and safe manner, at a minimal cost to the city, and to cooperate with other departments within the city.

- Murray City Code, Section 2.22.010



2010 Organization Chart





CHIEF
G. Rodriguez
1984



BATTALION CHIEF
K. Potter
1982



BATTALION CHIEF
R. Willden
1985



BATTALION CHIEF
M. Dykman
1990



BATTALION CHIEF
J. Harris
1993



FIRE MARSHAL
P. Roberts
1998



F.A.S. EXEC. SECRETARY
L. Lloyd
1994



OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR
J. Brown
2004



DEP. FIRE MARSHAL
R. Groves
2006



FIRE INSPECTOR
G. Zboril
2007



COMPUTER SUPPORT
C. Jones
2009



**CAPTAIN
J. Treadwell**
1981



**CAPTAIN
S. Stratton**
1984



**ENGINEER
D. Annand**
1984



**CAPTAIN
J. Ellis**
1985



**ENGINEER
M. Estrada**
1986



**ENGINEER
J. Thornley**
1991



**CAPTAIN
J. Beard**
1992



**PARAMEDIC
J. Griffith**
1992



**CAPTAIN
S. White**
1992



**CAPTAIN
D. Florin**
1993



**CAPTAIN
R. Blank**
1994



**PARAMEDIC
P. Killion**
1998



**PARAMEDIC
R. Jensen**
1998



**PARAMEDIC
G. Turley**
1998



**ENGINEER
A. Fisher**
1998



**CAPTAIN
A. Walkingshaw**
1998



**PARAMEDIC
M. Boulden**
1999



**PARAMEDIC
S. Berger**
2000



**CAPTAIN
C. Pascua
2000**



**ENGINEER
J. Jastram
2000**



**ENGINEER
J. Grangroth
2000**



**PARAMEDIC
K. Fellion
2000**



**ENGINEER
J. Shoemaker
2000**



**PARAMEDIC
P. Adams
2001**



**ENGINEER
S. Ellefsen
2001**



**PARAMEDIC
B. Smith
2001**



**PARAMEDIC
D. Wightman
2002**



**PARAMEDIC
G. Gardner
2003**



**PARAMEDIC
R. Hallam
2004**



**FIREFIGHTER
B. MacNeil
2004**



**PARAMEDIC
N. Haskin
2005**



**PARAMEDIC
J. Mittelman
2005**



**PARAMEDIC
J. Petersen
2005**



**PARAMEDIC
S. Olson
2005**



**PARAMEDIC
R. Carver
2006**



**PARAMEDIC
J. Shultz
2006**



Fire Cadet Program

The Murray Fire Department's Fire Cadet Program continues to provide a career development opportunity for young men and women between 16 and 21 years of age. The Fire Cadet Program allows participants to gain a better understanding of the fire service and helps guide interested participants in possibly pursuing a career in the fire service. Cadets participate in a training program instructing them in such areas as fire safety, operations, fire tactics, emergency medical services, public education, and community service. Cadets are able to work with crews in the station and respond to emergency scenes in a non-hazardous capacity.

Fire Cadets participating in the program during 2010:

Brett McCarty
Tyler White
Steven Wellington
Curtis Hanson
Michael Jones
Taylor Baxendale
Robert Adams
Kyle VanAmen
Caleb Head
Tyler Finn

Facilities

Fire Station 81 – Headquarters 40 East 4800 South

Station 81, built in 1979, is headquarters to central administration. It houses the paramedic engine and a reserve engine, as well as an ambulance. The mobile command vehicle, and a 100 kw portable generator are also kept at this station.



Fire Station 82 – 996 East Vine Street

Building of this facility was complete in the spring of 2008. Built to provide emergency response to the newly annexed areas on the city's east side, a paramedic rescue engine and a haz-mat truck and trailer are housed at this station.



Fire Station 83 – 484 West 5900 South

Station 83 was ready for occupancy in the spring of 2009. At 17,000 square feet, this building is also the new home of the City's Emergency Operations Center. The new 95-foot mid-mount platform and a 75-foot paramedic rescue quint (pumper with a ladder), equipped with extrication and heavy rescue tools, are dispatched out of this station. It also houses an auxiliary (grass/brush truck), a utility vehicle, and a special ops vehicle.



**Ambulance Station –
163 East 5900 South**

Construction of this station was completed in May 1997, built to provide service to the southeast quadrant of the city. However, when annexations increased the city’s east-side boundaries a new station was built, providing emergency response to that area. With the granting of ambulance licensure by the State Bureau of EMS in May 2008, this facility was prepped to house two of the three new ambulances.



Fire Station Annex – 4844 South Poplar Street

The annex, located on the same property as Station 81, is used for housing of equipment and is also utilized as a fitness facility.



Fire Prevention Building

One of two portable buildings, acquired in 2003 from Murray School District and located at the south end of Station 81 property, provides office space for the fire marshal and the fire prevention division.



Community Education Building

The second portable building is located on the same property, just east of Station 81. This facility serves as a classroom for departmental training as well as community oriented courses, including C.E.R.T. and CPR classes.



Training Highlights

The role of the firefighter is continually changing as new techniques and equipment are introduced. The increasing complexity of modern industrialized life with an increase in the scale of hazards has created an increase in the skills needed in firefighting technology and a broadening of the firefighter-rescuer's remit. Fitness levels must be maintained as the work can be demanding, both physically and mentally. To meet these challenges, firefighter training is highly intensive and involves drills, simulations and classroom instruction.

Following are some of the areas in which we have enhanced our training during the past year.

1. The department continued to work with the metro agencies to provide training in haz-mat, ropes and trench rescue, confined space, and water and ice rescue.
2. Several of our people are part of a new USAR Task Force developed through the metro fire agencies as a State resource, available for deployment should the need arise. Our department hosted training for trench rescue with valley-wide drills conducted on property where the city shops are located.
3. Murray Fire Department, as part of the Metro Fire Agency, also continued training with the Incident Management Team at drills conducted to prepare for response to major events in terrorism and haz-mat, as well as natural and man-made disasters.
4. In addition to our annual ambulance and apparatus driver course, we also provided aerial ADO training for three of our engineers to assist them in operating the 95' Tower.
5. Instruction for Fire I and II and Evolutions for Engine and Truck Operations was provided for our newer employees. The State CME requirements were met by all firefighters, and CDL certifications were current for our apparatus drivers.
6. Several of our personnel completed courses from the University of Utah Leadership, UFRA Winter and Summer Fire Schools, Boise Symposium, National Fire Academy, Anniston Alabama and New Mexico Bomb School.

Following is a list of outside educational opportunities provided during the year:

- **Jon Harris** - National Fire Academy - Executive Analysis of Fire Service Operations in Emergency Management - Emmitsburg, Maryland
- **Randy Willden, Jon Harris, Shane Stratton, Joe Beard, Phil Roberts** - Fire Service Leadership Academy - University of Utah
- **Jon Jastram, Steve Ellefsen, Russ Jensen** - Boise Fire Department Safety Symposium - Boise, Idaho
- **Joey Mittelman** - EMS Instructor, Training Officer, & Course Coordinator - Cedar City, Utah
- **Kyle Wayment, Jordan Petersen, Dave Adams** - EMS Instructor Course
- **James Oyler, Matt Boulden, Glenae Turley** - Salt Lake Metro Fire Agency Urban Search & Rescue Courses
- **Russ Jensen, Jordan Petersen, Glenae Turley** - Difficult Airway Management - University of Utah
- **Kyle Wayment, Tyson Green, Richard Carver** - Vehicle Extrication - Bridgerland Applied Technology College - Logan, Utah
- **Jordan Petersen** - Prevention and Response to Suicide Bombings, New Mexico Tech - Socorro, New Mexico
- **Brian MacNeil** - Pierce Fire Apparatus School - Las Vegas, Nevada
- **Brian MacNeil** - Berdix Air Brake School - Sparks, Nevada
- **Russ Blank** - National Fire Academy - Command & Control Decision Making at Multi-Alarm Incidents - Emmitsburg, Maryland
- **Russ Groves** - IAAI Conference - Wendover, Nevada



Fire Training	Man Hours
EOC / ICS	91
Management Skills	24
Apparatus Driver Operator	346
Alliance SOG	131
Apparatus / Equipment	230
Building Familiarization	33
Building Construction	8
Communications	6
Driving	122
Evolutions	525
Firefighter II Skills	64
Fire Behavior	62
Fire Strategy	12
Fire Streams	47
Fire Safety	110
Foam	10
High Rise	364
Hose Deployment	131
Hose Loads	99
Hose Nozzles	102
Hydrants	45
Incident Command Systems	268
Ladders	155
Metro Fire Drills	352
Officer Development	45
Post Incident Review	61
Ropes & Knots	124
Salvage	64
SCBA	290
Truck Operations	65
Vehicle Fires	46
Hazardous Materials	758
Total Man Hours-Fire	4,790

EMS Training	Man Hours
OB-GYN	86
Airway Management	222
Ambulance Equipment	72
Cardiac	454
Electives	26
Gastroenterology	102
Geriatrics	28
Head Trauma	13
Hemorrhage	42
Medical Incident Command	27
Medical / Legal	86
Pharmacology	97
Trauma Systems	98
Total Man Hours-EMS	1,353

Rescue Training	Man Hours
Building Search and Rescue	360
Confined Spaces	83
High Angle Rescue	36
Light Structure Rescue	19
Metro Rescue	24
Specialized Rescue	20
Trench Rescue	39
Vehicle Extrication	31
Water Rescue	326
Total Man Hours-Rescue	938

Inspections	45
Public Education	28

TOTAL MAN HOURS TRAINING-2010	7,154
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Fire Prevention Division

The mission of the Fire Prevention Division is to avert fire and emergency disaster incidents that pose a threat to life or property. The Fire Marshal, Deputy Fire Marshal, and Fire Inspector have a wide variety of fire safety responsibilities, including building plan reviews, existing building fire inspections, and coordination of various public education programs. This division is also responsible for fire investigations.

In addition to providing educational classes to the public, this division plays a major role in community events such as the Fire/Police Health and Safety Fair and the July 4th Fun Days activities. The annual Health and Safety Fair was held on August 16th in Murray Park. Demonstrations promoting health and safety issues were set up by both the police and fire department, as well as information booths. Fun activities, a live band, and food and drink concessions were available to entertain those who attended.

Fire Prevention Week was observed October 3rd - 9th, 2010. This year's theme, "Smoke Alarms - A Sound You Can Live With" was promoted in an effort to urge all citizens to heed NFPA and the Murray City Fire Department's advice to prevent burn injuries, as well as keeping homes safe from the leading causes of home fires. A joint resolution of the Mayor and City Council was signed in support of this cause.

2010 Statistics

Fire Investigations w/in Murray	21	Outside Agencies	6
Business License Inspections	584		
Building Inspections	520		
Fire Sprinkler Inspections	280		
Engine Company Inspections	633		
Plan Reviews	111		
Fire Sprinkler Plan Reviews	31		
CPR Classes	15	Students	273
CERT Classes	2	Students	56
Employee CERT Classes	3	Students	98

Emergency Medical Services

In 2010 the fire department responded to 3,781 medical calls, and provided 2,063 patient transports. The Advanced Life Support (ALS) ambulance service generated just over \$939,000 for services provided in 2010, bringing the total to over \$1,500,000 in revenue since its inception January 1, 2009.

The Murray City Fire Department received \$6,855 in Emergency Medical System (EMS) cost reimbursement from the State of Utah's EMS per capita grant program. Reimbursement is based on the number and certification levels of fire department personnel. Competitive EMS grant funds were not available in 2010.

The Murray City Fire Department continues to work hard to meet the standards of care expected of emergency/health care providers nationally and locally. We continue to make progress in the areas of hypothermic resuscitation, 12-lead field diagnostics and data transmission. Standards are being met through the acquisition of equipment, personnel training, and on-going quality control.

All fire department apparatus and ambulances were inspected and passed requirements set by the Utah State Bureau of EMS.

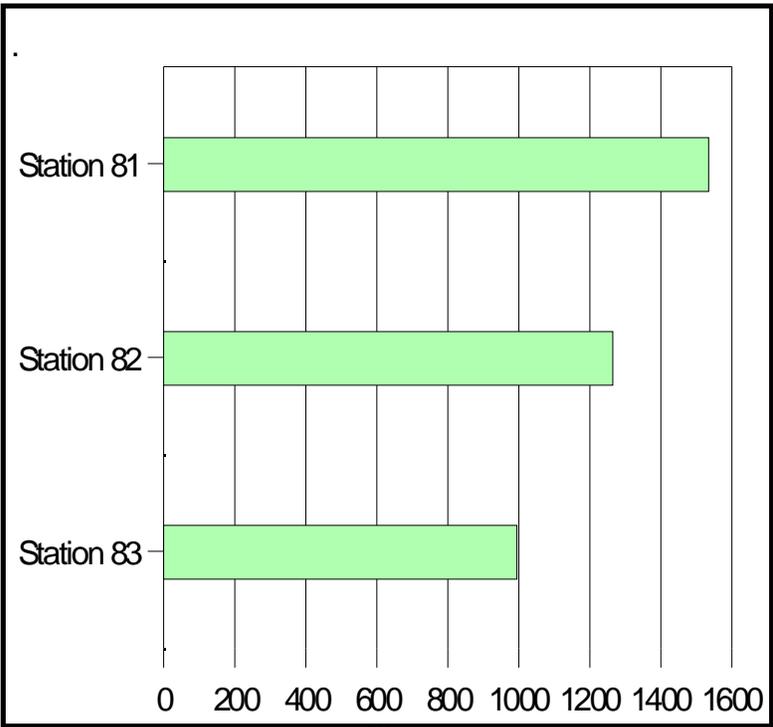
The fire department continues to provide ongoing medical training and continuing education to meet the Utah Bureau of Emergency Medical Services and national certification requirements.

The fire department participated in National Emergency Medical Services Week May 16-22, 2010. National EMS week honors the lifesaving care EMS providers offer nationwide, 24 hours a day, seven days a week. On Saturday, May 22, the fire department hosted an open house at Ambulance Station #84 (163 East 5900 South). The public was invited to stop by and meet the proud members of the department, take a tour of the station, and have a free hamburger/hotdog lunch. This event was a great success.



2010 Medical Response by Station

District	Medical Calls
Station 81	1,529
Station 82	1,261
Station 83	991
TOTAL CALLS	3,781

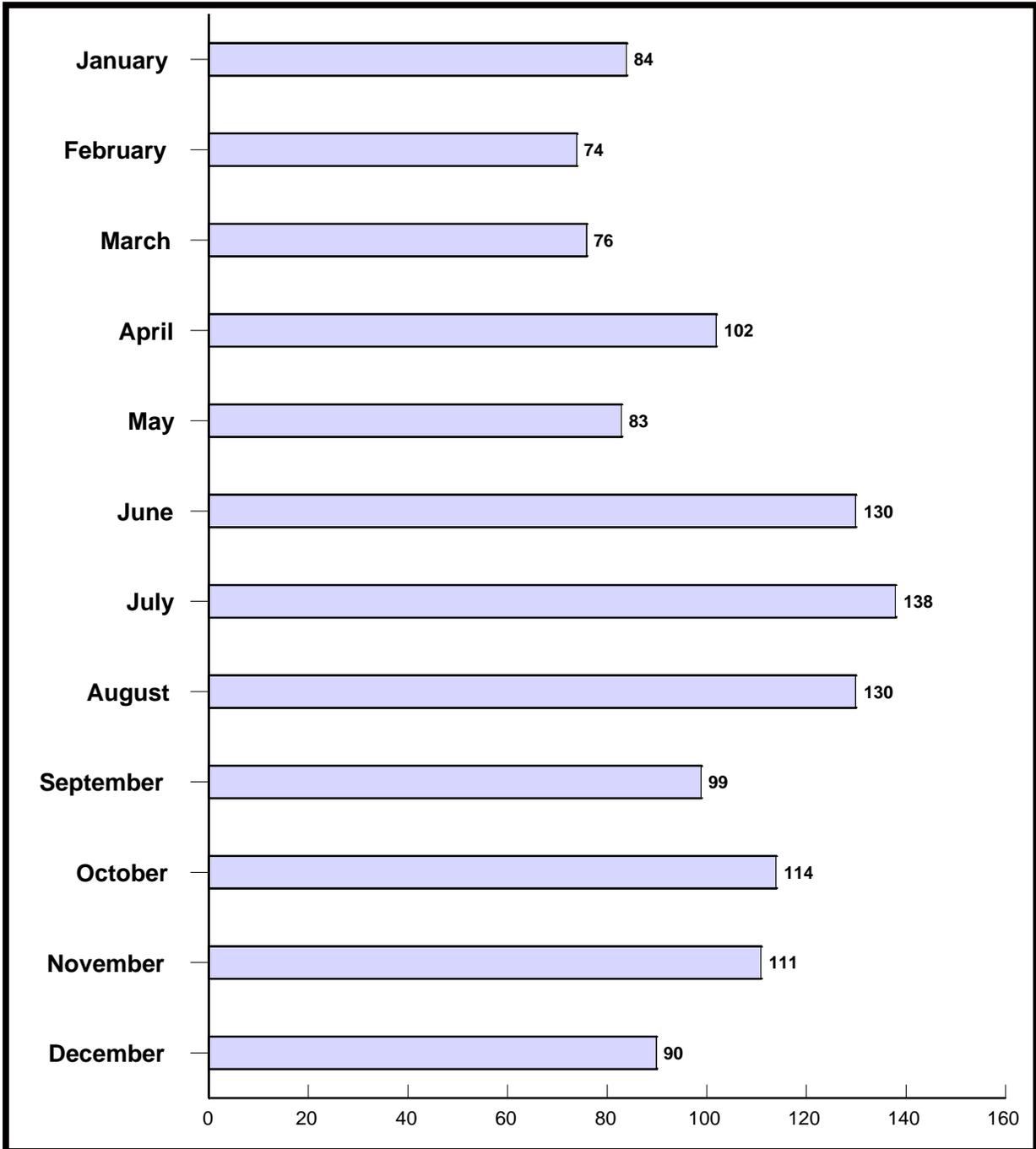


2010 Nature of Medical Call

	Description	Percent
1	Abdominal Pain	1.8
2	Allergies/Bites/Stings	.6
3	Animal Bites	.1
4	Assault/Rape	3.4
5	Back Pain/Injury	.8
6	Breathing Problems	6.2
7	Burns	.2
8	CO/Inhale/Hazmat	.2
9	Cardiac/Respiratory Arrest	2.3
10	Chest Pain	4.8
11	Choking	.6
12	Convulsions/Seizures	5.7
13	Diabetic Problems	3.0
14	Drowning/Diving Accident	.1
15	Eye Problems/Injuries	.1
16	Falls	10.5
17	Headache	.5
18	Heart Problems	1.1
19	Hemorrhage/Lacerations	2.0
20	Overdose/Poisoning/Ingestion	5.5
21	Pregnancy/Problems	.6
22	Psychiatric/Suicidal Episodes	6.0
23	Sick Person	8.0
24	Shooting/Stabbing	.3
25	Stroke/CVA	2.3
26	Traffic Accident Injury	18.0
27	Traumatic Injuries	2.9
28	Unconscious/Fainting	7.9
29	Unknown Problem/Person Down	3.6
30	Flu Like Symptoms	.5
31	Other Medical	.4
		100%



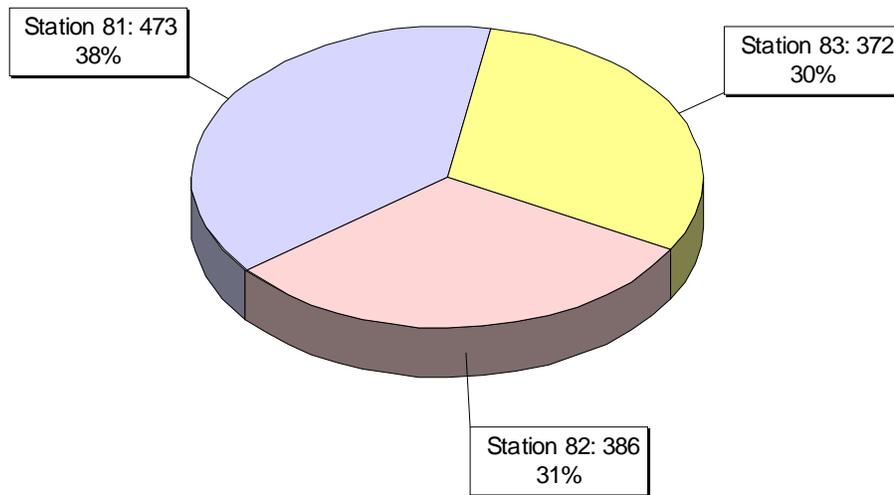
2010 Fire Response by Month



2010 Fire Response by Type of Call

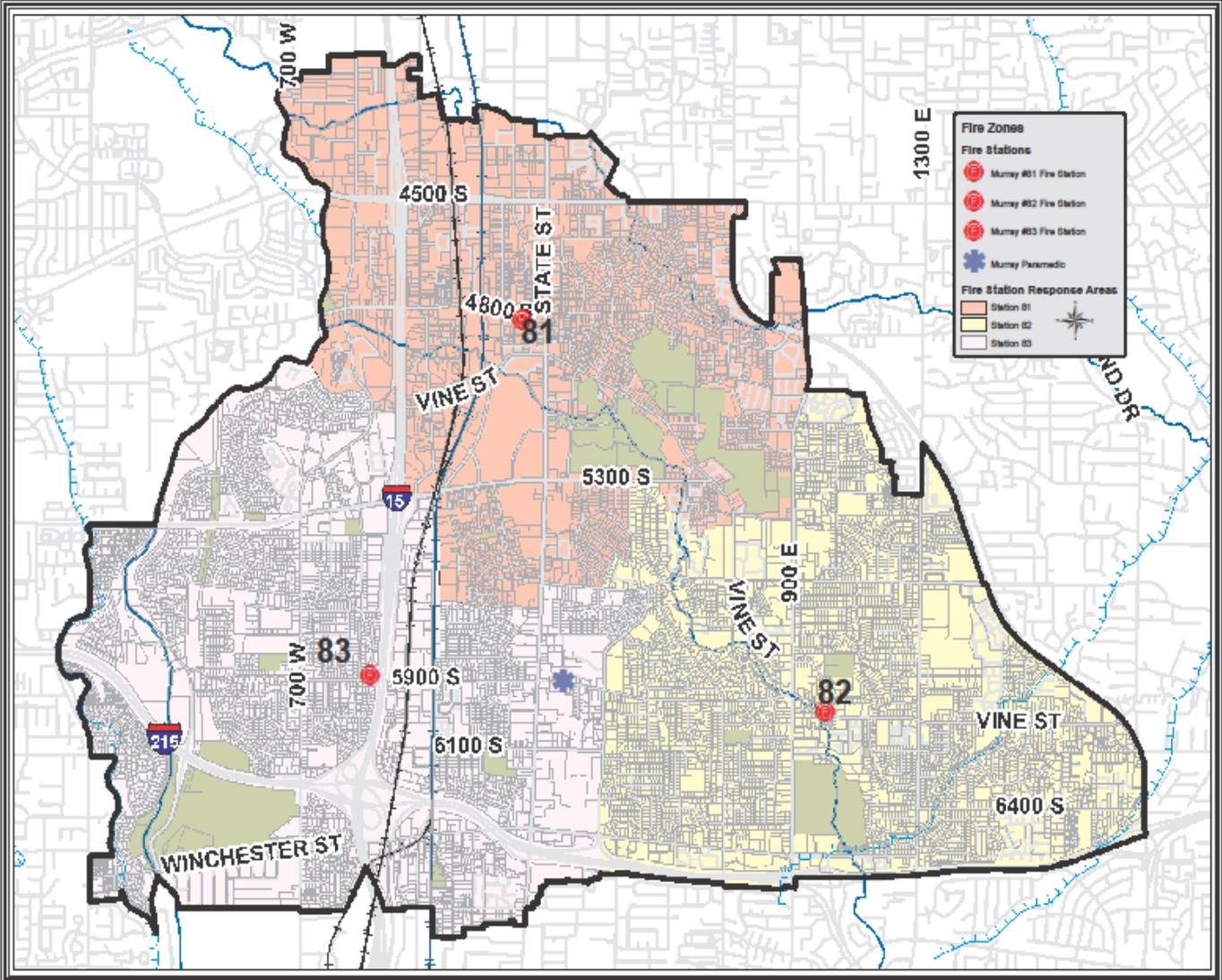
Type of Incident	Number of Incidents
Building/Structure Fire	63
Cooking Fire	18
Field / Foliage	42
Outside Equipment Fire	10
Dumpster / Trash Receptacle	10
Vehicle Fire	22
Unauthorized Burn	20
Vehicle Extrication	3
Swift Water Rescue	5
Building/Structure Weakened or Collapsed	1
Carbon Monoxide Incident	13
Electrical Problem	37
Power Line Problem	28
Explosive / Bomb / Threat or Removal	3
Smoke/Odor Removal	31
Incinerator Overload or Malfunction	14
Fuel Spill	7
Natural Gas / Propane Leak	19
Water/Steam Leak	20
Smoke Scare – Steam or Odor of Smoke	30
Hazardous Materials Investigation	22
Wind Storm, Tornado/Hurricane Assessment	6
Assist Police	61
Public Assist	87
Animal Rescue	4
Good Intent	52
Alarm Activation, Unintentional	79
Alarm Malfunction	94
False Alarm	116
CO Detector Malfunction	25
Dispatched and Cancelled	244
Fire, Other	45
Total Fire Responses	1,231

2010 Fire Response by Station



Station	Incidents	Percentage
Station 81	473	38.42%
Station 82	386	31.36%
Station 83	372	30.22%
Total	1,231	100%

*Includes Automatic/Mutual Aid responses



Apparatus

Station 81

2008 Ford F-450	Ground Ambulance
2006 Chevrolet Mobile Command Vehicle	Special Ops / Mobile Command Center
2005 MMD Portable Generator	100 kw Portable Diesel Generator
2001 Pierce Pumper	1500 GPM Pumper w/water
1996 Smeal Pumper	1500 GPM Pumper w/water

Station 82

2005 Pierce Pumper	1500 GPM Pumper w/water
2005 Ford F-550 Truck	Haz Mat Tow Vehicle / Air Cascade
2002 Enclosed Trailer	Haz Mat / Special Ops
1991 Pierce Pumper	1500 GPM Pumper w/water

Station 83

2009 Pierce Mid-Mount Platform	1500 GPM Tower w/water
1997 Smeal 75' Ladder	1500 GPM Ladder w/water
1990 Ford One Ton Van	Special Ops Vehicle
1989 Chevrolet One Ton	Grass Truck / Snow Plow

Ambulance Station 84

2008 Ford F-450	Ground Ambulance
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Administration

2009 Ford F-150 Pick-Up	Fire Marshal Vehicle
2006 Ford Explorer	Fire Chief Vehicle
2004 Ford Explorer	Battalion Chief Vehicle
2003 Ford Explorer	Battalion Chief Vehicle
2001 Ford Explorer	Battalion Chief Vehicle
1999 Chevrolet Pick-Up	Battalion Chief Vehicle
1999 Ford Explorer	Reserve Response Vehicle
1999 Ford Crown Victoria	Deputy Fire Marshal Vehicle
1999 Ford Crown Victoria	Fire Inspector Vehicle

Utah Museum of Fire Service History

1947 American LaFrance	Antique Apparatus
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Metro Fire Agency

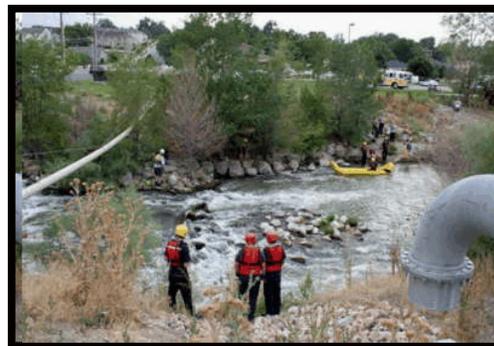
USAR - Urban Search & Rescue



In 2006, Murray Fire Department joined seven other entities - Bluffdale, Midvale, Sandy, South Jordan, South Salt Lake, West Jordan and West Valley - to form the Metro Fire Agency in an effort to share resources and equipment, increase efficiency, and cut costs.

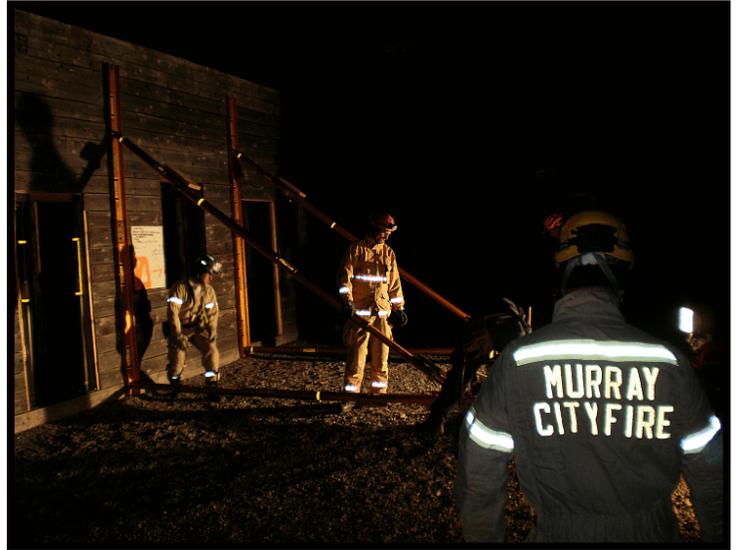
Each department develops a specialty and uses their expertise to train personnel in the other departments. Murray Fire Department specializes in swift-water rescue, while Sandy Fire Department's specialty is hazardous materials incidents, heavy rescues and mass casualty equipment. West Valley is responsible for bomb and explosive incidents, and South Jordan has cave and trench rescues. This way each city doesn't have the full investment for specialized equipment and training that it takes to provide the service.

As a result of the collaborative efforts of all departments, including rigorous training exercises and the purchase of substantial equipment, in the fall of 2010 Metro Fire Agency achieved endorsement by the State of Utah, Division of Homeland Security, as an Urban Search and Rescue Alliance.



Murray Fire Department swift water technicians conduct water rescue refresher training for other Metro Fire Agency departments.

Metro Fire Agency USAR Team - Training



Community Involvement

Guns 'N Hoses

Shriners Hospital was this year's beneficiary of the annual Guns 'N Hoses hockey game held at the E-Center on Saturday, January 30th. In addition, a portion of the proceeds went to the family of Deputy Josie Fox family. Josie, who served with the Millard County Sheriff's Office, was killed in the line of duty on January 5, 2010. This charity game pitted local police and firefighters against each other prior to the Grizzlies taking over the ice later that evening. The Grizzlies also wore themed Guns N' Hoses jerseys that were auctioned off after the game with all proceeds going to the Shriners Hospital as well.

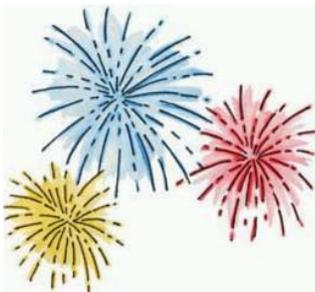


Fight for Air - Tackle the Tower

The American Lung Association's "*Fight for Air - Tackle the Tower*" event took place on February 27th in the Wells Fargo Building in Salt Lake City. Approximately 400 participants, including firefighters in full gear, climbed 23 floors, 598 steps and 422 feet. The event raises funds to support victims of lung disease, asthma, and smoking cessation programs.

Nat'l Fallen Firefighter Foundation - Golf Tournament

The National Fallen Firefighters Foundation was created by the United States Congress to lead a nationwide effort to remember America's fallen firefighters. The NFFF Golf Tournament is an annual event to help sustain programs which assist survivors and coworkers in rebuilding their lives. Our region tournament, sponsored by Murray Fire Department, was held on June 15th at Thanksgiving Point Golf Club. The third to be held in the Salt Lake City area, raised over \$13,000 for the foundation.



July 4th - Fun Days

Murray's annual Independence Day festivities began early on Saturday, July 3rd. The Fire Department's honor guard lead the way as hundreds of on-lookers lined the parade route. While a fire engine and the tower took their place in the procession, firefighters walked the route, tossing colorful beads to spectators. Fire personnel provided hoses and water for the annual tug-of-war and a mini-muster. A first aid booth and the mobile command vehicle were strategically placed to provide medical assistance throughout the day. The day-long celebration concluded with a spectacular display of fireworks.

Angel's Hands Foundation

The 8th Annual Angel's Hands Firefighter Ride and Car Show was hosted by Murray Fire Department on June 26th. The event was held at Murray Park and included family fun, music, and food, as well as an incredible display of classic cars and motorcycles. The mission of AHF is to improve the quality of life for individuals living with rare diseases.

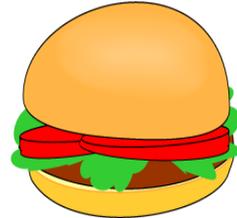
MDA "Fill the Boot"

Murray firefighters collected \$22,206.50 in this year's "*Fill-the-Boot*" campaign.

Funds collected go toward vital research seeking the causes of and effective treatments for neuro-muscular diseases, as well as providing for a nationwide network of MDA medical clinics, support groups and summer camps, and financial assistance for the purchase of wheelchairs, leg braces and communication devices.

Families Fight Back BBQ

On Thursday, August 26th, the Murray Fire Department hosted its annual "Families Fight Back BBQ." Local families dealing with the disease were invited to Murray Park for a traditional barbecue, participation in outside activities, and mingling with firefighters from surrounding departments.



Fire/Police Health & Safety Fair

The Annual Fire/Police Health & Safety Fair was held on August 16, 2010 at Murray Park. The event included fun for the whole family, with information booths and demonstrations by both departments. In addition to general fire safety information, a demonstration of the effects of a vehicle fire, vehicle extrication, and a medical emergency helicopter were some of the highlights. Food and drink concessions were available while a live band entertained the crowd.

Firefighters and Friends

Throughout the year, "*Firefighters and Friends*" were busy successfully raising money to help provide a memorable Christmas for some very deserving families needing a helping hand. On December 11th, Murray firefighters, and members of surrounding departments, joined together to escort the children in fire apparatus to a Wal-Mart store, then assist them in making holiday purchases.

Sub for Santa

Once again, firefighters provided holiday gifts to a needy family in our community. With the donations that were collected in our department, a local family was better able to celebrate the holiday season. The children received toys and were outfitted with winter clothing, while the parents received some badly needed household supplies.

Health & Safety Fair - August 16, 2010



Department Information Booth



Fire



Live Fire Exhibition

Illustration of Patient Removal and Transport



New Firefighter Schedule Implemented

Effective June 27, 2010, Murray City Fire Department changed from a modified Kelly schedule to a 48/96 schedule. The number of hours worked remains the same. The Kelly schedule consists of a 9-day cycle where each team works one 24-hour shift, followed by 24 hours off duty, works another 24-hour shift, followed by 24 hours off duty, then works a final 24-hour shift, followed by 4 consecutive days off duty. The 48/96 is simply this: each shift works two consecutive shifts for a total of 48 hours, and then has 96 hours off before repeating the rotation. Implementing this change included going from a 28 day FLSA period to a 24-day FLSA period. The 48/96 work schedule has been used by professional fire departments since the early 1990's, and has been growing rapidly in popularity throughout the United States. The departments that have gone to this schedule have reported extremely high rates of satisfaction. Many departments have switched to the 48/96 as a means of providing better utilization of days off, more weekends off and increased family time as well as a way to improve morale and provide relief from long commutes.

With seven of the nine surrounding fire departments switching to the 48/96 schedule, the change will maintain continuity for departments working and training together. Benefits of the schedule may also include creating cost efficiencies within the department and having more time for projects during the shift like equipment maintenance, fire prevention education, and conducting fire alarm and hydrant inspections.

Emergency Management

The Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) National Integration Center designed the National Incident Management System Compliance Assistance Support Tool (NIMSCAST) as a self-assessment instrument for State and local government to evaluate and report their jurisdictions implementation of NIMS. Adoption of this tool is a condition for receiving Federal preparedness assistance through grants, contracts, or other activities. We were able to complete those requirements this last year.

Extremely warm temperatures caused early spring run-off waters to overflow Little Cottonwood Creek and other waterways along the Wasatch Front. Planning, response, and volunteer coordination became a major priority for our emergency management team. Homes and businesses were damaged, and roads, bridges, utilities and other infrastructure received enough damage to warrant federal aid.

Assistance through State and Federal grants is a valuable tool in acquisition of emergency management equipment. Our State Homeland Security grant was approved for \$31,800.00 for Emergency Operations Center (EOC) communications equipment and security cameras.



Flooding
May 2010 - Myrtle Avenue running east from State Street

Flooding From Spring Run Off - - - May 2010

