

Summit

Fire Department

2024 Annual Report





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Message from the Chief

To Our Dedicated Firefighters and the Residents of Summit,

This year has been one of tremendous progress and commitment. To the brave men and women of the Summit Fire Department, I recognize and appreciate your dedication to service. Your efforts exemplify courage and professionalism, ensuring the safety of our community even in the face of growing challenges.

To our residents, thank you for your trust and continued support. You are the foundation of our mission, and every step we take-whether it's upgrading equipment, refining our training, or enhancing our response strategies-is done with your safety and well-being in mind.

The initiatives outlined in our five-year plan, such as improving our infrastructure, expanding our department and response capabilities, and investing in advanced safety measures, are not just about meeting today's demands. They represent our commitment to being prepared for tomorrow. Together, we can continue to make Summit a safer, stronger, and more resilient community.

It is an honor to serve you all, and I look forward to building on our successes in the year ahead.

With gratitude,

Anthony Anderson

Fire Chief

Summit Fire Department



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Message from the Deputy Chief

To the Residents of Summit and the members of the Summit Fire Department,

As we close another year, I want to take a moment to reflect on the incredible teamwork and community spirit that define Summit. To our firefighters, thank you for your tireless dedication to excellence and your commitment to protecting our residents. You embody the values of our department every day.

To our residents, your support has been instrumental in our success. Whether it's through community engagement, feedback, or collaboration on safety initiatives, your involvement strengthens our mission and fuels our mission to deliver the highest standard of service.

The year ahead brings exciting opportunities, including advancements in staffing, equipment, and infrastructure through our five-year plan. These improvements will ensure we remain at the top of emergency response and community safety. I am particularly proud of our focus on creating stronger connections between the department and the people we serve, as this partnership is at the heart of everything we do.

Thank you for allowing us to serve this incredible community. Together, we are building a safer and brighter future for all

Respectfully,

Ken Lundgren
Deputy Fire Chief
Summit Fire Department



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As we look back on 2024, we are reminded of the many milestones and moments that have shaped our year. One of the highlights that brought joy not just to our department but to the entire community was welcoming Lola, our spirited Dalmatian, into the fire department family. Lola joined us earlier this year, quickly becoming an integral part of our department. Dalmatians have a long-standing connection to firehouses, and Lola carries on that proud tradition with her boundless energy, loyal companionship, and love for everyone she meets. Throughout the year, Lola has been a source of delight for children and adults alike. She has greeted visitors during station tours, stolen the show at community events, and served as an ambassador for our fire safety education programs. Whether she's playfully interacting with kids during fire prevention talks or boosting morale at the station, Lola's presence has truly brightened our days. In 2024, Lola also helped us connect with the community in new and meaningful ways. As we move into the new year, we're looking forward to many more adventures with Lola. She reminds us daily of the value of teamwork, loyalty, and building bonds-values we strive to uphold in serving the Village of Summit.





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Summit joins Project Fire Buddies

This year, the Summit Fire Department proudly joined Project Fire Buddies, an initiative that allows us to connect with and support children in our area who are battling serious illnesses.

Project Fire Buddies provides a unique opportunity for our firefighters to step beyond their traditional roles as emergency responders and offer compassion, encouragement, and support to families facing extraordinary challenges. This partnership aligns perfectly with our mission of serving the Summit community with care, integrity, and dedication. By joining Project Fire Buddies, we are not only strengthening the bonds within our community but also showing these children and their families that they are not alone—we stand with them every step of the way.

Looking ahead, we are excited to deepen our involvement in this initiative. The enthusiasm and support from our department and the community have been overwhelming, and we look forward to sharing more stories of connection and impact as we continue this meaningful work.





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Overview of the Year

The Summit Fire Department has made significant strides in providing exceptional emergency services and community support. Highlights of the year include:

- **Increased Call Volume:** Our department responded to over 2,000 calls this year, reflecting the growing needs of our community.
- **Enhanced Training Programs:** Comprehensive training initiatives were implemented, focusing on fire suppression, medical emergencies, and rescue operations.
- **Community Engagement:** Hosted several successful public safety events, including fire prevention workshops, CPR training sessions, and open house events.

Key Accomplishments

Infrastructure Improvements

- Began planning, funding, and completion for replacing the bay floor
- New Generator.

Staffing Enhancements

- Approved a plan to increase staffing levels from 4 to 6 personnel per shift two days a week to accommodate rising call volumes. This increase in staffing will allow us to staff our 2nd ambulance, giving the residents the highest care possible.



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Significant Incidents

- 01/05/2024- 7518 W 57th Place - Structure Fire
- 02/08/2024 - 5307 S 72nd Court - Kitchen Fire
- 02/16/2024 -155 at LaGrange Rd - Hazardous Materials Incident
- 04/06/2024 - 7613 W 60th Street - Structure Fire
- 09/10/2024 - 7519 W 62nd Place - Structure Fire
- 09/16/2024 - 7455 W 63rd Place - Structure Fire
- 11/08/2024 - 7300 Blk W 58th Street- Garage Fire





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Call Volume - 2,073

Breakdown:

EMS/MVC's - 1,378

Structure Fires - 10

Vehicle Fires -21

Brush/Rubbish Fire - 15

Activated Fire alarms - 103

Mutual/Automatic Aid - 271

Service Calls -210

Hazardous Materials Incidents - 30

Water Rescue - 1

Electrical Problem -13

Smoke/Odor Problem - 21



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Call Volume Percentages

EMS/MVC: 66.66%

Structure Fire: 0.48%

Vehicle Fire: 1.01%

Brush/Rubbish Fire: 0.72%

Activated Fire Alarms: 4.97%

Mutual/Automatic Aid: 13.09%

Service Calls: 10.14%

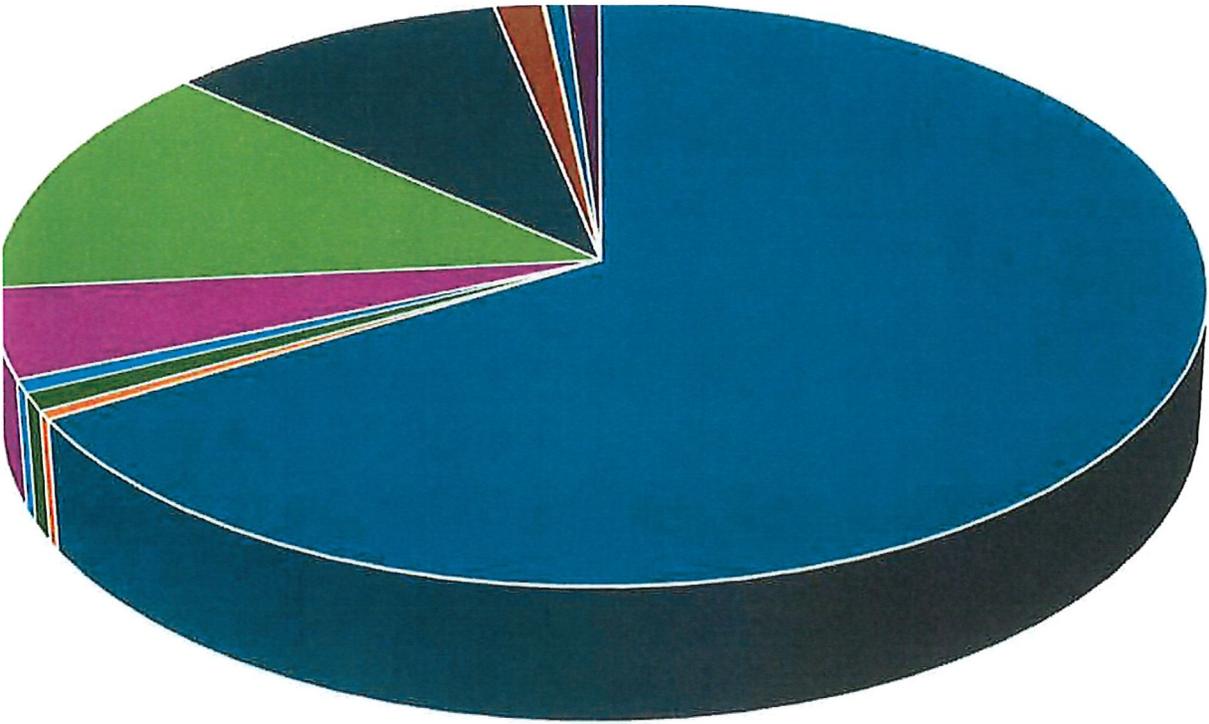
Hazardous Materials Incidents: 1.45%

Water Rescue: 0.05%

Electrical Problem: 0.63%

Smoke/Odor Problem: 1.01%

Call Volume Breakdown



- EMS/MVC
- Structure Fire
- Vehicle Fire
- Brush/Rubbish Fire
- Activated Fire Alarms
- Mutual/Automatic Aid
- Service Calls
- Hazardous Materials Incidents
- Water Rescue
- Electrical Problem
- Smoke/Odor Problem



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EMS Statistics

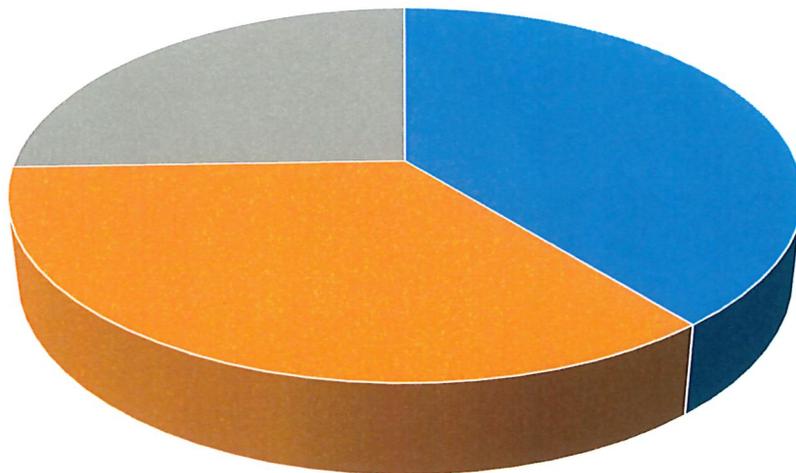
Total Incidents – 1,198

ALS – 469

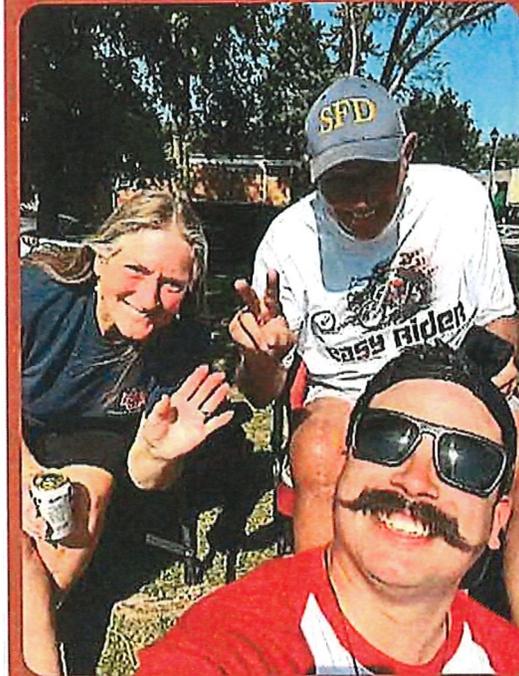
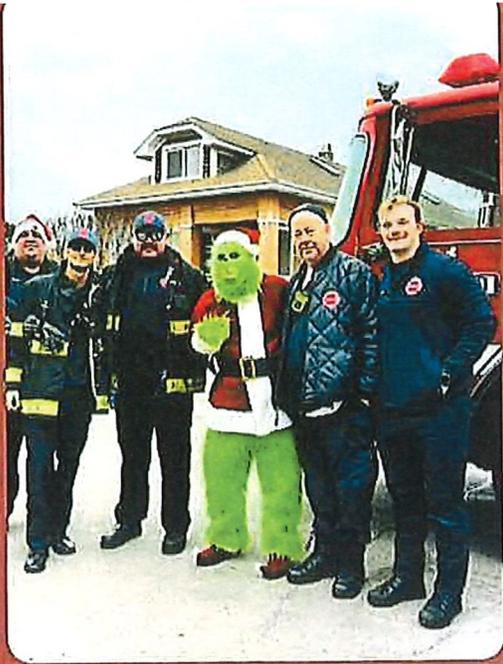
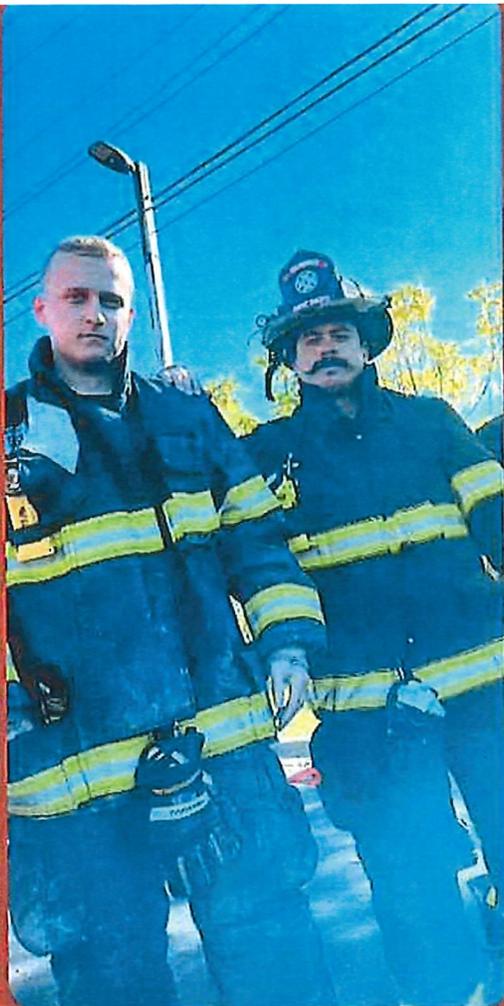
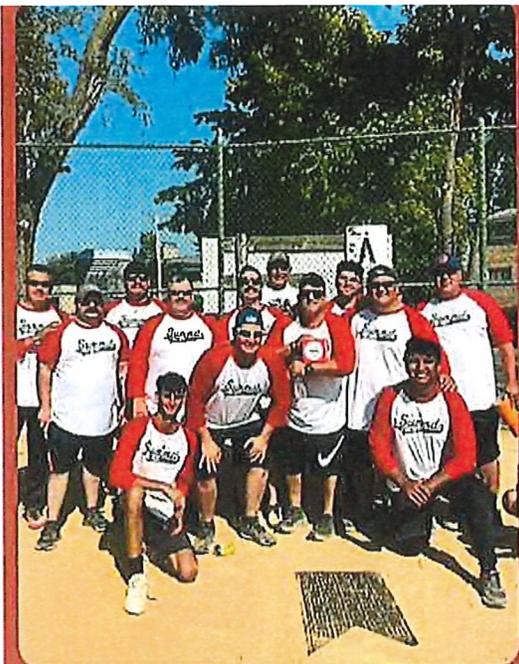
BLS – 423

Refusals – 306

Percentages



■ ALS - 39.2% ■ BLS - 35.3% ■ Refusals - 25.5 % ■



SUMMIT POLICE DEPARTMENT

