



Honorable Mayor, Board of Council, and Mr. Dill, it is my pleasure to present the Fire Department's 2020 annual report to you. 2020 started as any typical year until March when the pandemic struck. Our standard operations quickly changed as we dealt with how to mitigate and respond to incidents. COVID 19 presented many challenges, namely protecting our members from the many unknowns initially. PPE supplies were short and left us scrambling to provide solutions. Our staff was able to research and provide appropriate PPE rations to protect us from contracting to virus. Our station was essentially shutdown to guests and visitors, which we are known for accommodating. Proudly, our staff persevered and remained diligent during the pandemic to continue to provide service to our Community while addressing our daily needs to prepare ourselves for response.

This report will journal what the Fire Department accomplished during the year. I welcome questions and comments always!

In January, we totaled 148 responses; 111 were EMS responses and fire responses 25. Additionally, we performed 37 life safety/fire inspections, issued two burn permits, and installed eight car seats in January. We trained jointly with our Police Department on Bleeding Control and PD Extrications.

February, we responded to 158 responses, 116 EMS responses, and 29 fire responses. During the month, we performed 29 fire inspections and issued six burn permits. Ironically our monthly EMS training was Infectious Disease Control. On February 9, two Department members participated in the annual Fight for Air Climb at The Carew Tower (45 floors/804 steps) – FF/P Sam Behrle and FF/P Mike Strady.

In March, we had 158 responses. Of the 158 responses, 108 were EMS responses and 36 fire responses. Furthermore, we issued seven burn permits and 23 life safety fire inspections. EMS Coordinator Capt. Tammy Webster and Dr. Taylor Duncan MD discussed with our Department on COVID-19/Coronavirus.

April, we responded to 132 responses, 92 were EMS responses, and fire responses totaled 29. We remained isolated from normal activities and life safety inspections were temporarily halted along with any public education programs throughout the month.

In May, we responded to 82 EMS responses and 37 fire responses for a total of 128. EMS Week was May 17 through May 23. This year's National theme was EMS Strong-Ready Today, Preparing For Tomorrow!

June totaled 168 responses, 110 were EMS responses, and fire responses 45. We also focused on annual fire hose testing.

In July, we had 111 EMS responses and 31 fire responses for a total of 142. The Department completed the annual flowing of fire hydrants.



August totaled 152 responses, 111 EMS responses, and fire responses were 29. We began entering back into the Community and performed 51 life safety/fire inspections. The Fire Department sent members to represent us at the annual kick-off to school meeting with the Ft. Thomas Schools.

In September, we responded to 180 incidents, the single-month record in 2020. Of the 180 responses, 132 were EMS responses, and 41 were fire responses. We also performed 49 life safety/fire inspections during the month. After three long years of submitting, Fort Thomas finally received a FEMA/AFG Regional Grant for the new 700-800 Radio System for \$612,403.00. Many thanks to all who worked on this project. Furthermore, the FD purchased new full-face respirators for our personnel to better protect against the COVID pandemic. We also purchased a LUCAS CPR assist device for use on cardiac arrest victims.

October (Fire Prevention Month), we totaled 201 responses. Of the 201 responses, 138 were EMS responses and 41 fire responses. We completed 28 fire inspections and issued five burn permits. The Fire Prevention theme was "Serve Up Fire Safety In The Kitchen!" There were many challenges with public education this year because of the pandemic; however, our staff did a fantastic job getting to message our Community.

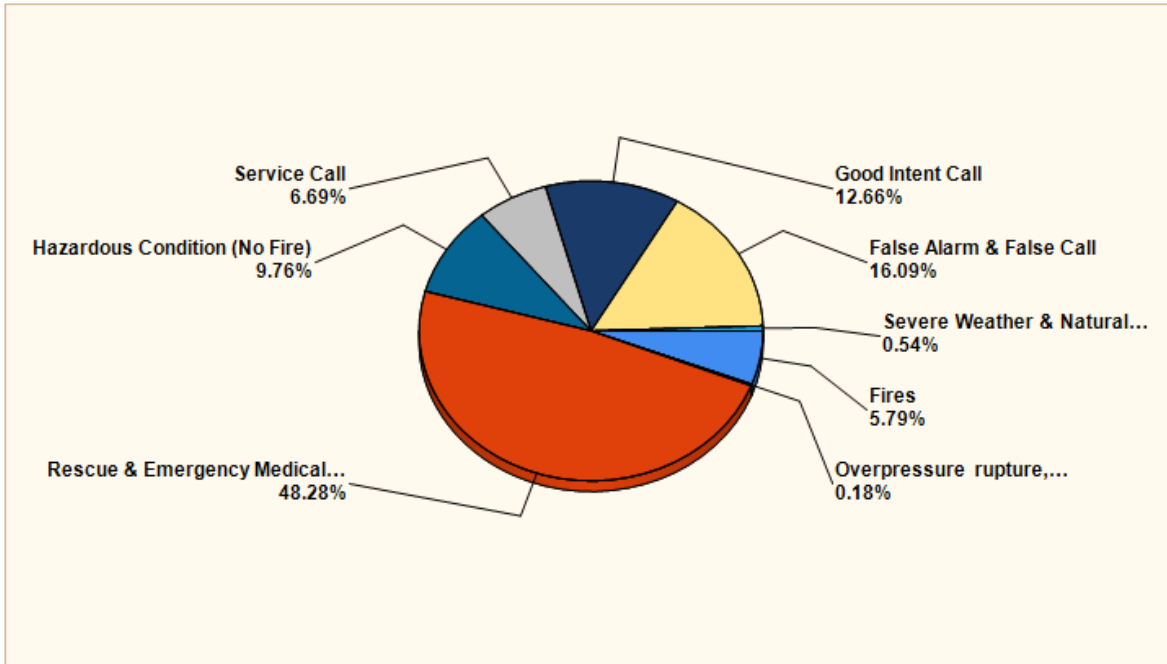
In November, we had 112 EMS responses and 39 fire responses for a total of 161. We issued five burn permits and performed 32 fire inspections. We also devoted our time to winterize hydrants in the City.

December totaled 149 responses. Of the 149 responses, 113 were EMS responses, and fire responses totaled 36. We were very engaged in the upcoming radio endeavor and making preparations for the building remodel. The headline for December was the retirement of Fire Chief Mark Baily.

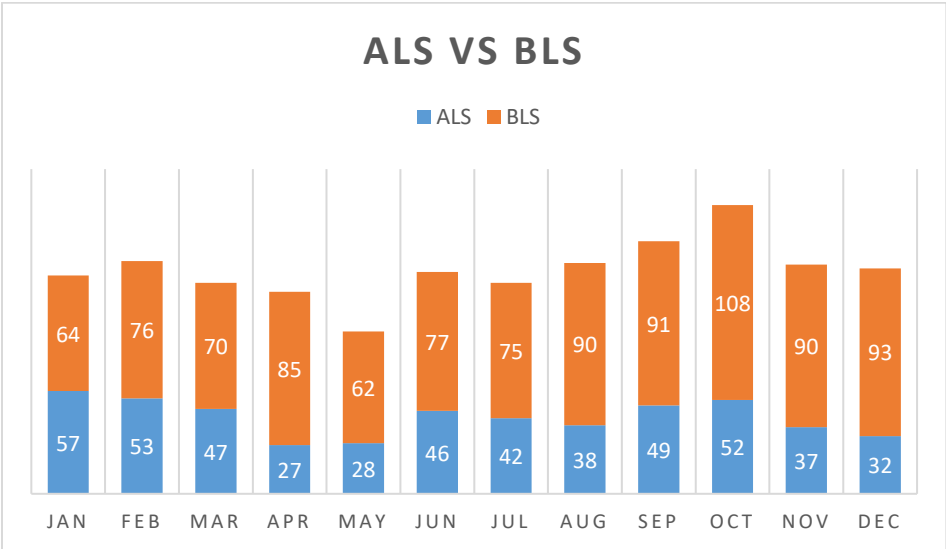
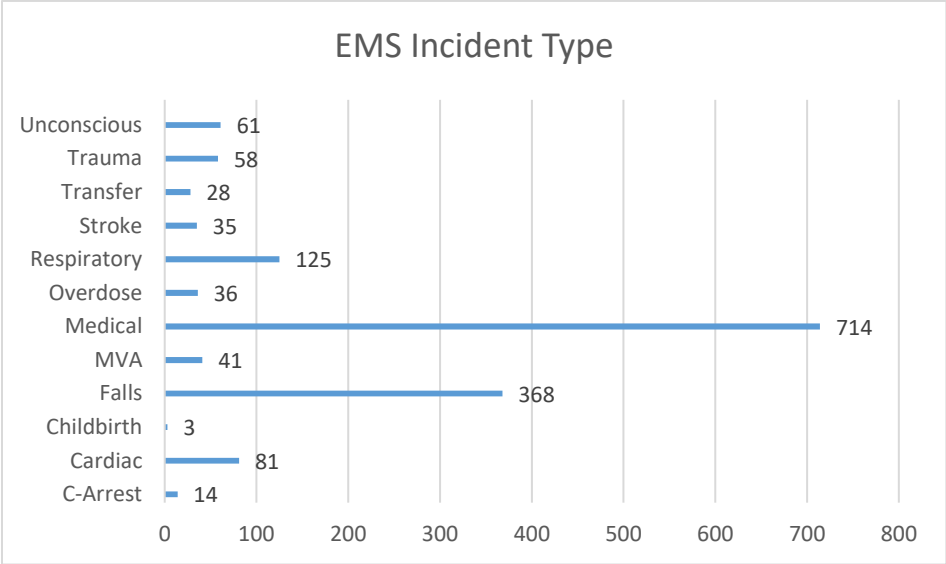


## 2020 Incident Information

### Fire Incident Types

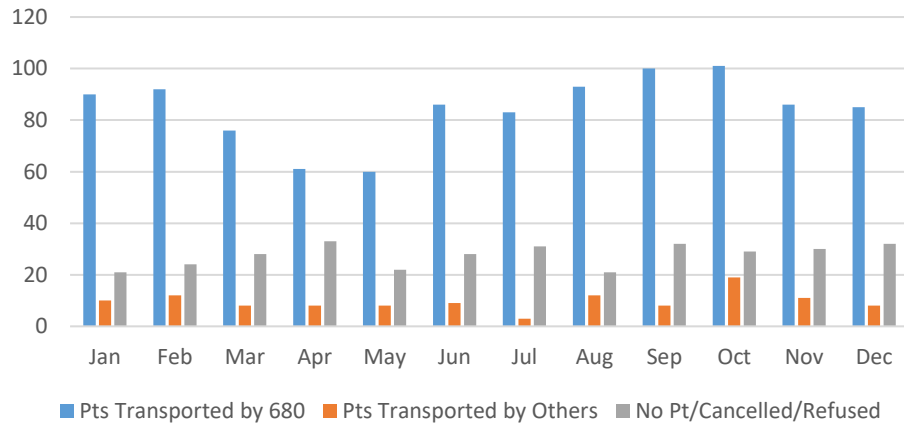


MAJOR INCIDENT TYPE	# INCIDENTS	% of TOTAL
Fires	32	5.79%
Overpressure rupture, explosion, overheat - no fire	1	0.18%
Rescue & Emergency Medical Service	267	48.28%
Hazardous Condition (No Fire)	54	9.76%
Service Call	37	6.69%
Good Intent Call	70	12.66%
False Alarm & False Call	89	16.09%
Severe Weather & Natural Disaster	3	0.54%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>553</b>	<b>100%</b>

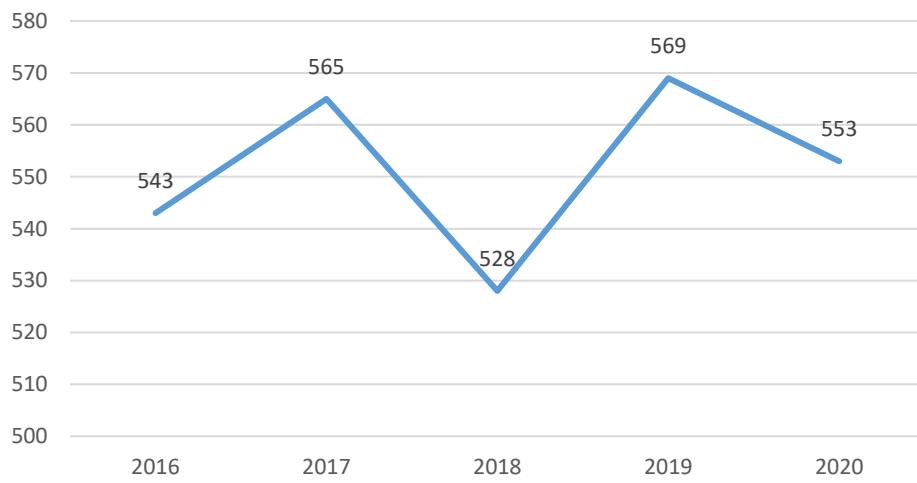




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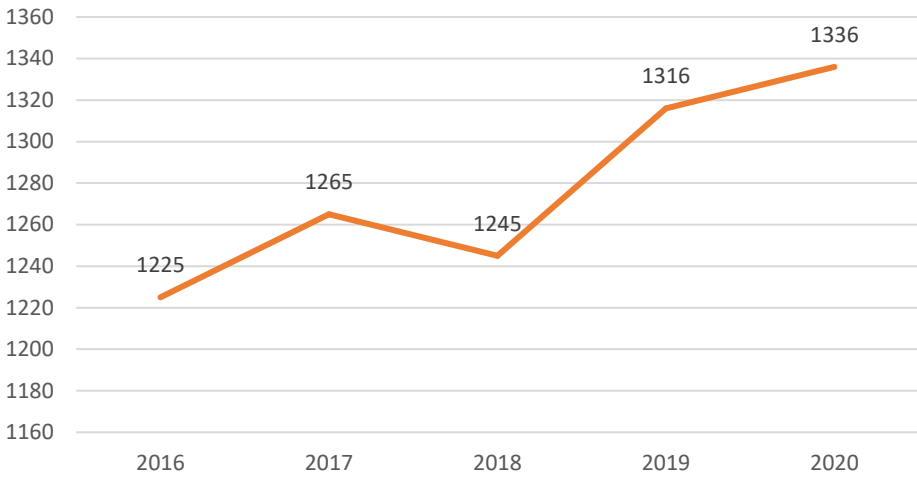


### Fire Incidents

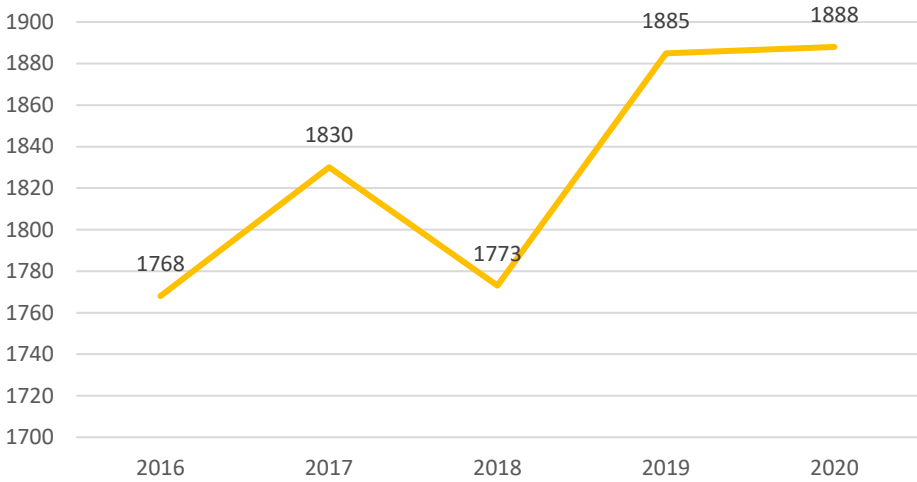




### EMS Incidents

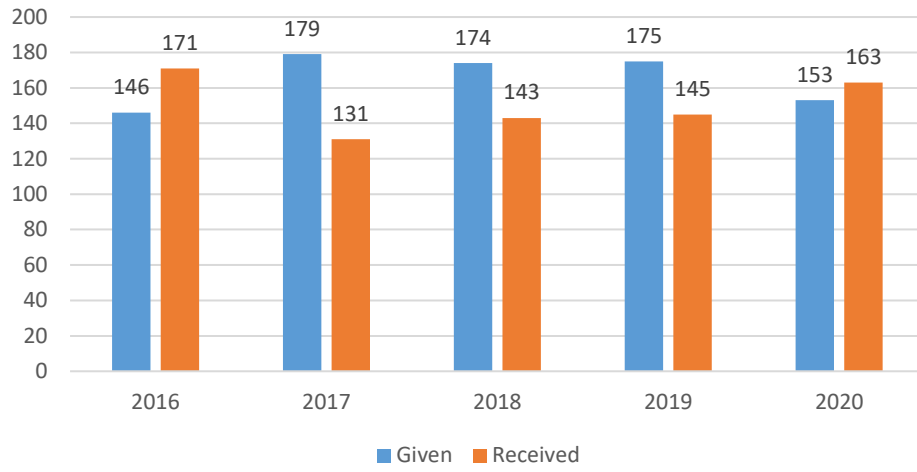


### All Incidents

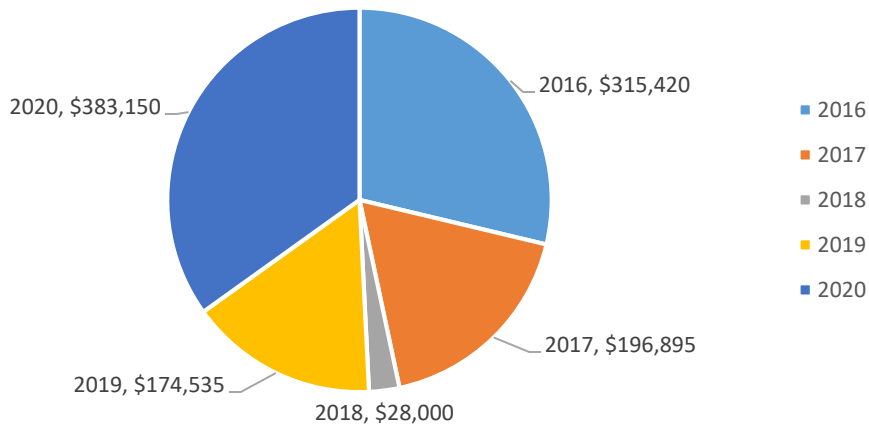




### Aid Given/Received



### Fire Loss





## 2020 Fire Inspection Data

Category/Subcategory	Fire Inspection	Re-Inspection	Request/Concern Inspection	Total Count (All Selected)	FAIL
Apartment Buildings / Apartment Buildings	77	17	9	103	111
Assembly / Assembly - Less than or equal to 300	9	2	0	11	14
Assembly / Assembly 300 to 1000	4	1	0	5	8
Assembly / Assembly greater than 1000	2	1	0	3	3
Board and Care / Board and Care, Large	1	0	0	1	0
Business / Business	76	6	0	82	76
Educational / Elementary School	4	0	0	4	6
Educational / High School	3	0	0	3	6
Educational / Middle School	1	0	0	1	6
Health Care / Ambulatory Health-care	15	0	0	15	2
Imported / Imported	33	5	0	38	20
Industrial / Industrial, Low Hazards	1	0	0	1	0
Mercantile / Mercantile	10	2	0	12	27
Storage / Storage, Low Hazards	2	0	0	2	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>238</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>281</b>	<b>279</b>





## 2020 Stories



Fort Thomas Fire Chief Mark Bailey has served as Chief since 2004, retired effective December 31, 2020. His career in the fire service spanned forty-five years, and under his leadership, the Fort Thomas Fire Department has become known as one of the best fire service departments in the region.

In 2018, after completing an intense inspection by the Insurance Services Office, the Department was awarded a Class 2 classification rating. This achievement only represents one of the many accomplishments Chief Bailey has brought to the City during his tenure as Fire Chief. We wish him well in retirement and are grateful for the service to our Community!



In November, we received a new 2020 Ford Horton Ambulance. This unit replaces our previous ten-year-old ambulance and features a “pickup” style chassis, four-wheel drive, improved rear suspension to improve patient comfort. We also moved our power-load coat system onto the new unit.





## 2020 Stories

### Shift 1



Captain Lumppp, Lieutenant Kaufman, FF/P Edmondson, FF/P Bryant, FF/P Andrasik, FF/P Fite

### Shift 2



Captain Daugherty, Lieutenant Carr, FF/P Watson, FF/P Strady, FF/P Wright, FF/P Hinkel



Shift 3



Captain Webster, Lieutenant Scherpenberg, FF/P Rust,  
FF/P Shepherd, FF/P Behrle, FF/P Fromeyer