



2024 Annual Report

Franklin Park Fire Department

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- Who we are
- Who retired this year
- What has been accomplished
- Statistics from 2024
- Needs of the Department

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Chiefs Note

I am pleased to submit the Annual Report of the Franklin Park Fire Department for the calendar year 2024. This Annual Report chronicles the events and activities of the past year; the outstanding services provided are made possible by the dedication and commitment of the members of this department. I am proud of their capabilities, their determination, and compassion for the citizens we serve; and for the continued support and cooperation that we, as a Department receive from our Mayor, the Board of Trustees, and other Village Departments.

During the year 2024, we responded to 4,563 alarms. Of those alarms, 2,437 responses were for fire equipment and 2,126 were for emergency medical services. We had an estimated fire loss this year of \$3,147,614.00 with a total pre-incident value of \$462,044,464.00. \$458,896,850.00 was the total value of all properties that were saved due to the efforts of this fire department.

To ensure the safety and well-being of our community, we continuously monitor and assess emerging trends that impact fire prevention, life safety, and the welfare of our Team. In an effort to create a safer and more informed community, we have increased our outreach initiatives to educate the public on fire safety. Though this intentional commitment, we have strengthened relationships with the community on various levels. The concerned efforts of our Fire Prevention and Community Risk Reduction Teams have played a pivotal role in making our Village a safer and more secure place to live and work.

The Department prides itself on being prepared for the future while remaining focused on delivering safe, effective, and efficient service to the Village and those who visit on a daily basis. Through education and training, we will continue to grow, to thrive, to move forward, be innovative, and to build on our strengths and success.

Our firm dedication to excellence is a testament to our unwavering commitment to safeguarding life, property, and the environment. On behalf of the entire department, we extend our genuine recognition of our residents for their dedicated support.

Fire Chief Mark Stewart



Our Responses

2021: 3742 emergency calls

2022: 4089 emergency calls

2023: 4004 emergency calls

We Serve to Save...

Dedication

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This report will always be dedicated to the men and women, past and present, that have bravely served the Village of Franklin Park on the Franklin Park Fire Department, the thousands of firefighters that serve our great country, and the 57 firefighters that gave their lives in the line of duty in 2024.



MISSION STATEMENT

We, the members of the Franklin Park Fire Department, are an organization of dedicated professionals who are committed to serving and protecting the lives and property of our community by providing services directed at the prevention and control of fires, accidents and other emergencies while maintaining the highest standards of professionalism, efficiency, and effectiveness.



Battalion Chiefs

Chief Officers in charge of an entire shift and its' daily operations

Black Shift: Nick Steker

Gold Shift: Chris Ciolino

Red Shift: Craig Burmeister

Acting Battalion Chiefs/ Lieutenants

In charge of the shift in the absence of a Battalion Chief: one per shift



Dan Fidonik



Dan Colantuono



vacant

Lieutenants

Company Officers on the front line of all calls



Ignacio Garcia Jr.



Tony Tricoci



Jason Murphy



Jeff Mattas



Kyle Shamie



Bart Borowiec



Dan Torres

Firefighters/EMT's/Paramedics



Tony Nunes



Kevin Keefner



Mike Cicero



Kevin Bartnicki



Peter Hassett



Ralph Vicari



Justin Lucadello



Dan Ramey



Chris Kamin



Dennis Mossutto



Miguel Rivera



Pasquale DeCicco



Derek Roman



Scott Loconti



Chris Boykin



Rogelio Rodriguez



Vinnie Sandoval



William Johnson



Arnel Sinanagic



Juan Bernal



John Buczkowski



Holt Puckett



Robert Zurita



Jeff LaPelusa



Ivan Garcia



Anthony Gigovski



Brian Zajkowski



Jack Anderson



Luke Fava



Brendan McManus

Retirements

Thank you for your bravery and the service you provided to the community



*FF. JAMES
KOBYLESKI*

Served the Village of
Franklin Park for 25+
Years



*LT. DAVID
AUGUSTINE*

Served the Village of
Franklin Park for 25+
Years

Retirements

Thank you for your bravery and the service you provided to the community



B/C LUKE PALERMO

Served the Village of
Franklin Park for 30+
Years

2024 Recognitions



*FF. DENNIS
MOSSUTO*

Firefighter of the Year
Recipient



*FF. JOHN
BUCZKOWSKI*

Paramedic of the Year
Recipient

2024 Grants



4 BULLARD THERMAL IMAGING CAMERAS

Awarded \$33,300.00
from Firehouse Subs
Public Safety
Foundation



STRYKER POWER STAIR CHAIR

Awarded \$7,910.65
from Insurance
Program Managers
Group

Training

The Training Division of the Franklin Park Fire Department entered 2024 continuing the mission of training its members in a highly consistent, dedicated, and professional manner, so that it may provide outstanding service to its residents and surrounding communities. The Training Division was able to utilize classroom training at Fire Station 2 and the Police Station, Community Room. Practical hands-on training evolutions were completed outside at the Training Tower located behind Fire Station 2, as well as at various acquired structures within the Village. The Training Division was responsible for over 10,000 hours of training in 2024.

This training met the standards set by the Office of the State Fire Marshal, The National Fire Protection Association, The Illinois Department of Labor, The Federal Emergency Management Agency, The Center for Disease Control, and the Illinois Department of Public Health.

This year, the Training Division coordinated training for eight (8) new members of the Department. Probationary Firefighters are sent to NIPSTA Fire Academy in Glenview for nine weeks. The probationary members then come back for two more weeks of additional training before going on shift. They will continue working hard with their mentors during their probationary period to learn the job and have successful careers.

Every month, a schedule of topics are posted explaining the monthly drills, times, and locations. A minimum of twenty hours of training is expected of each officer and firefighter every month. There are also drills scheduled with our auto-aid towns.

The members of the Franklin Park Fire Department also participate in Division XX teams. These teams consist of Fire Investigations, Hazardous Materials, Safety Officers, Technical Rescue, and Water Rescue. These teams drill on a monthly basis at various locations in the division.



Specialty Teams

The Franklin Park Fire Department has a number of teams that serve special need emergency situations as well as community needs. Team personnel train long and hard, as well as attend classes to perfect their skills and learn new techniques for rescue operations and protocol.

* Denotes Team Leader

Fire Investigation

B/C Steker*

FF/PM Kamin

FF/PM Roman

Hazardous Materials

B/C Ciolino*

LT/PM Shamie

FF/PM Vicari

FF/PM Sandoval

FF/PM Johnson

Technical Rescue

LT/PM Garcia*

B/C Ciolino

LT/PM Colantuono

LT/PM Tricoci

LT/PM Torres

FF/PM Lucadello

FF/PM Kamin

FF/PM DeCicco

Water Rescue

LT/PM Mattas*

LT/PM Murphy

FF/PM Cicero

FF/PM Vicari

FF/PM Ramey

FF/PM Hassett

FF/PM Loconti

FF/PM Puckett

Urban Search and Rescue

B/C Ciolino

Lt/PM Garcia

EMS Advisors

LT/PM Fidonik

FF/PM Ramey

FF/PM Roman

Safety Officers

Chief Stewart

B/C Palermo

B/C Steker

B/C Ciolino

LT/ABC Fidonik

Honor Guard

FF/PM Borowiec

FF/PM Vicari



Fire Investigation

The Fire Investigation Team investigates any significant fire; whether they are initially suspicious or not. A thorough fire investigation provides the Fire Department with a better understanding of the causes of fires, the ways fires spread, and the procedures to prevent future fires. Fire investigations have also led to the discovery of defects in home appliances and other electronics, resulting in product recalls, which in turn can help prevent similar fires from occurring elsewhere. The Franklin Park Fire Department is fortunate to have highly trained investigators on staff. Battalion Chief Nick Steker heads the Fire Investigation Team, which includes FF/PM Chris Kamin and FF/PM Derek Roman.



Safety Committee

It is the mission of the Franklin Park Fire Department, the officers, and the firefighters to enact a Health and Safety Committee dedicated to establishing programs and procedures to assure a reduction of injury and property damage. The goal of this continuing program is to maximize the service to our community through professional administrative methods and by reducing unnecessary expenditures due to such injuries and losses.

The success of a Health and Safety Committee is dependent upon the commitment and support of the fire department members to eliminate conditions and behavior that contribute to such losses. Recognizing that we have the ability to implement policies and procedures toward reducing losses, actions will be taken to assure the program's success. The Health and Safety Committee meets on a quarterly basis to discuss and make recommendations.

Safety Committee Members

Chief Stewart	LT Fidonik
B/C Palermo	LT Colantuono
B/C Steker	FF Keefner
B/C Ciolino*	FF DeCicco

HazMat Team

The Hazardous Materials Team is comprised of six dedicated members. The team is trained to respond to hazardous materials incidents within the Village of Franklin Park, and when called upon by MABAS Division 20 for incidents in the Cook County area. Team members have taken additional classes to attain the Hazardous Material Technician designation at a minimum, with many attending additional classes over and above the technician requirement. Our team members regularly attend monthly Division 20 training on various topics throughout the year. These training sessions allow personnel to maintain and improve their proficiency with the skills and technology necessary to safely address the potential hazards that a release of hazardous materials may require.



Technical Rescue Team

The Technical Rescue Team (TRT) responds to rescues that are beyond the training of fire companies, such as trench collapse, high angle rope rescue of window washers/construction workers, sewer or tank workers injured or overcome by hazardous environments, or a building collapse due to weather, or man-made events. Franklin Park's TRT has eight members. Five of these members have completed all TRT certifications and are considered "deployable" for MABAS Division 20's TRT. Battalion Chief Ciolino and Lieutenant Garica are also members of the State of Illinois Urban Search and Rescue Team.



Public Education

Educating the public on fire safety and prevention is a continuous process at the fire department. Station tours, visiting schools, CPR classes, free blood pressure screening, and first aid training are just a few of the ways we serve the public.

Residents of Franklin Park can obtain Free Smoke Detectors from the Franklin Park Fire Department through the “Be Alarmed” Smoke Alarm Installation Program. The program distributes fire safety educational materials to the residents while the members of the department install smoke alarms in the homes. In 2024 a total of 39 residents were served and 201 smoke alarms were installed.

CPR and First Aid classes continue to be offered by the department. The CPR Instructors not only conduct classes in-house, but they also set up classes in businesses and schools throughout the Village. In 2024 , a total of 7 classes were run with 32 students being instructed in CPR.

Public Education

FF/PM Lucadello*

FF/PM Loconti

CPR/First Aid

Lt. Mattas*

FF/PM DeCicco

FF/PM R. Rodriguez

FF/PM Sandoval

Smoke Detector

Lt. Mattas*

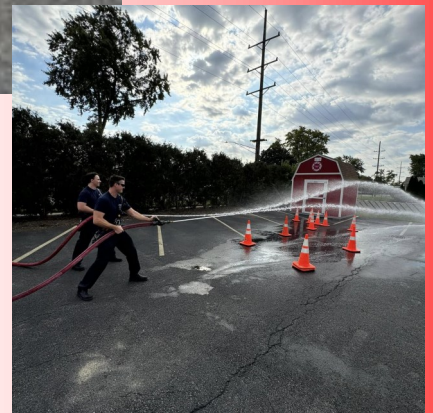
Social Media

FF/PM Borowiec*



OPEN HOUSE

The Franklin Park Fire Department's biggest event of the year, Open House, was held in October of 2024. It was held again at Station #2. Everyone pitched in to make the day a success and also fun for the visiting families. The day included tours, demonstrations, and of course food like hotdogs, Italian sausage, popcorn, refreshments, and treats. It was a great day all around. The event was organized by FF/PM Justin Lucadello and FF/PM Scott Loconti.



Vehicles

The Franklin Park Fire Department has 11 vehicles in its fleet,. They consist of 3 Engines, 1 Ladder Truck, 1 Command Car, 1 Chief's Car, 3 Ambulances, and 2 Bureau Cars. We also have a "Gator" that is used as a specialty team vehicle.



Special Events



Special Events

For the past 18 years, the Franklin Park Fire Department has sponsored a St. Baldrick's Event. The St. Baldrick's Foundation is a volunteer and donor powered charity committed to supporting the most promising research to find cures for childhood cancers and give survivors long and healthy lives. The Franklin Park sponsored event has raised over 2 million dollars for pediatric cancer research. The lead organizer of this event is Scott Loconti.



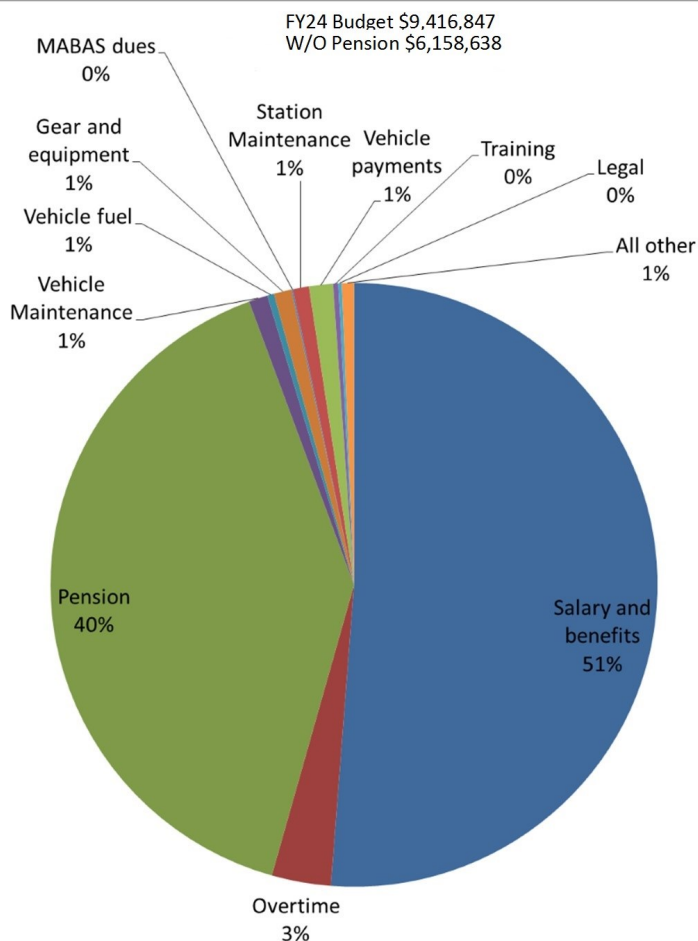
Public Safety is about putting the "unity" in community. We strive to be that bridge. "The back to school Bash," station one companies and off duty personnel handed out backpacks, school supplies, and our "Los Bomberos de Franklin Park" t-shirts to over 200 kids in need at James Park. Our members also served over 200 hot dogs and sausages while interacting with residents young and old. This was an incredible event put together by our dedicated local, state, and federal officials.



DEPARTMENT UPDATES

Completed in 2024

- Hired 8 Firefighter/Paramedics
- Fire Museum and Station 3 remodeled.
- Purchased and received New Engine and Ambulance.
- Awarded Two (2) Grants for Equipment.
- Installed Stove Ventilation and Suppression system at Station 1.
- Security Systems installed on entry doors at Station 1 and 2.
- Fire Alarm System installed at Station 1.
- Health and Wellness program purchased for Firefighters.
- Department policies being updated through Lexipol.



For 2025

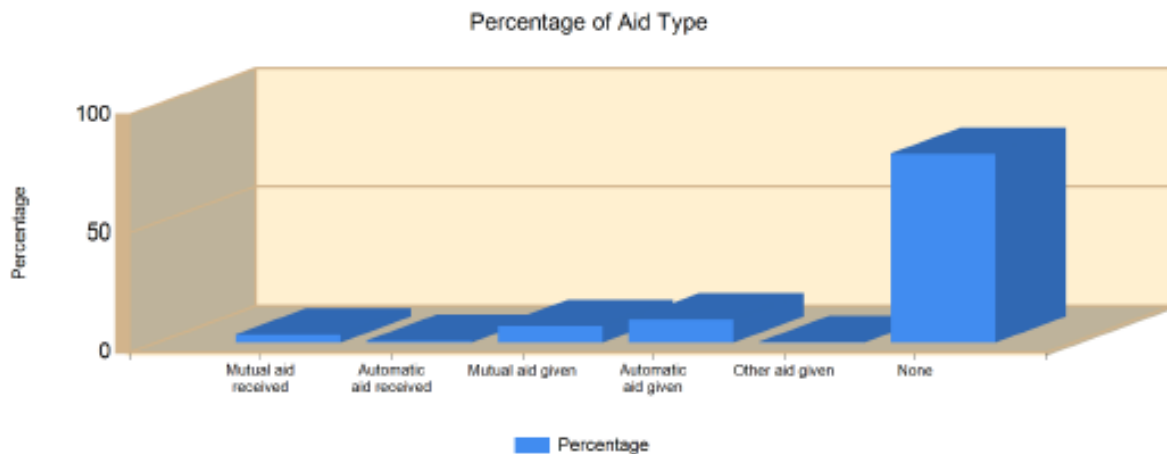
- Hire needed Firefighter/Paramedics.
- Replace roof on Station 2.
- Receive new engine.
- Replace SCBA Cascade System.
- Remodel Kitchen at Station 1.
- Replace A/C Units at Stations 1 and 2.
- Continue Remodeling Fire Station 3.
- Structural Engineer Inspection of drill tower

Mutual and Automatic Aid

MABAS provides the framework for automatic / mutual aid responses across geographical areas. Each participating fire department, within the MABAS Division, responds based on geography, fire hazards, and incident size.

Mutual Aid is when an incident grows too big to handle alone and we request help using “Box Cards.” When you hear a fire is a 3-alarm, or 3-11 (for example) it means we are using the 3rd alarm “box” that lists all of the help we are receiving.

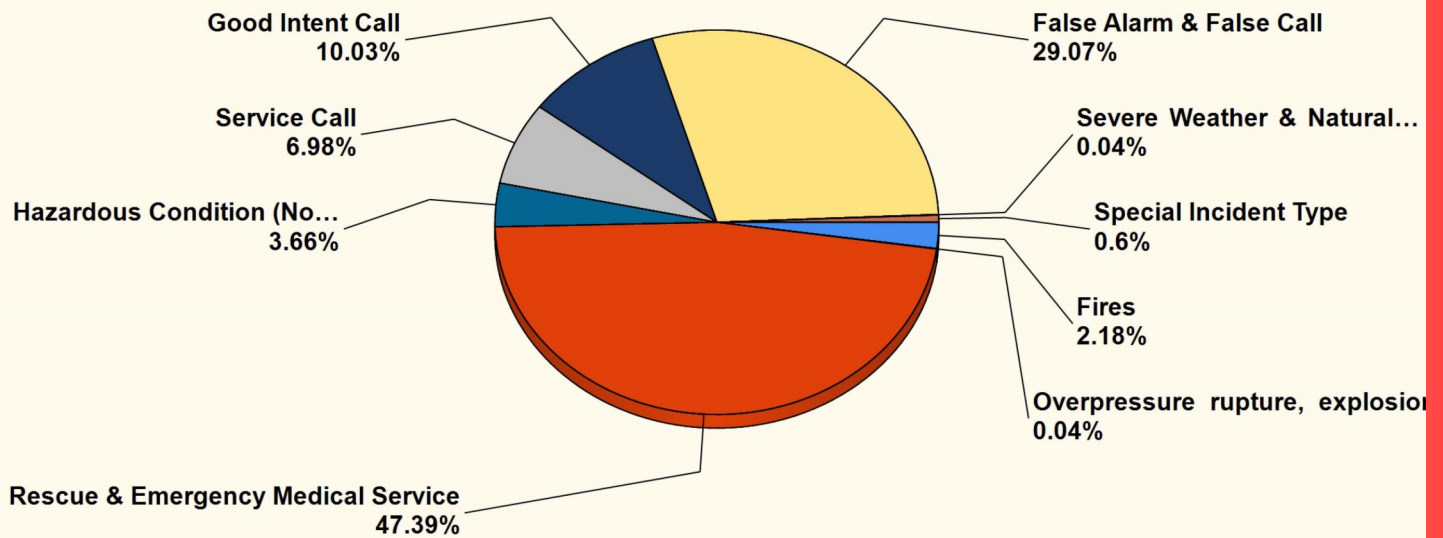
Automatic Aid is when a neighboring town has an incident like a fire alarm and we respond to assist automatically .



AID TYPE	TOTAL	% of TOTAL
Mutual aid received	118	2.6%
Automatic aid received	64	1.4%
Mutual aid given	259	5.8%
Automatic aid given	335	7.5%
Other aid given	3	0.1%
None	3784	82.6%

FIRE INCIDENT STATISTICS

2024



MAJOR INCIDENT TYPE	# INCIDENTS	% of TOTAL
Fires	98	2.18%
Overpressure rupture, explosion, overheating - no fire	2	0.04%
Rescue & Emergency Medical Service	2126	47.39%
Hazardous Condition (No Fire)	164	3.66%
Service Call	313	6.98%
Good Intent Call	450	10.03%
False Alarm & False Call	1381	29.07%
Severe Weather & Natural Disaster	2	0.04%
Special Incident Type	27	0.6%
TOTAL	4563	100%

FIRE INCIDENT STATISTICS

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INCIDENT TYPE	# INCIDENTS	% of TOTAL
100 - Fire, other	5	0.11%
111 - Building fire	35	0.78%
113 - Cooking fire, confined to container	12	0.27%
116 - Fuel burner/boiler malfunction, fire confined	1	0.02%
117 - Commercial Compactor fire, confined to rubbish	1	0.02%
118 - Trash or rubbish fire, contained	3	0.07%
131 - Passenger vehicle fire	13	0.29%
132 - Road freight or transport vehicle fire	4	0.09%
138 - Off-road vehicle or heavy equipment fire	1	0.02%
142 - Brush or brush-and-grass mixture fire	11	0.25%
143 - Grass fire	2	0.04%
151 - Outside rubbish, trash or waste fire	5	0.11%
154 - Dumpster or other outside trash receptacle fire	2	0.04%
160 - Special outside fire, other	2	0.04%
162 - Outside equipment fire	1	0.02%
251 - Excessive heat, scorch burns with no ignition	2	0.04%
320 - Emergency medical service, other	30	0.67%
321 - EMS call, excluding vehicle accident with injury	1819	40.55%
322 - Motor vehicle accident with injuries	153	3.41%
323 - Motor vehicle/pedestrian accident (MV Ped)	18	0.4%
324 - Motor vehicle accident with no injuries.	91	2.03%
350 - Extrication, rescue, other	1	0.02%
352 - Extrication of victim(s) from vehicle	2	0.04%
353 - Removal of victim(s) from stalled elevator	10	0.22%
357 - Extrication of victim(s) from machinery	1	0.02%
381 - Rescue or EMS standby	1	0.02%
400 - Hazardous condition, other	1	0.02%
410 - Combustible/flammable gas/liquid condition, other	1	0.02%
411 - Gasoline or other flammable liquid spill	2	0.04%
412 - Gas leak (natural gas or LPG)	43	0.96%
413 - Oil or other combustible liquid spill	2	0.04%
422 - Chemical spill or leak	2	0.04%
423 - Refrigeration leak	3	0.07%
424 - Carbon monoxide incident	7	0.16%
440 - Electrical wiring/equipment problem, other	23	0.51%
441 - Heat from short circuit (wiring), defective/worn	2	0.04%
444 - Power line down	65	1.45%
445 - Arcing, shorted electrical equipment	12	0.27%
461 - Building or structure weakened or collapsed	1	0.02%
500 - Service Call, other	14	0.31%
511 - Lock-out	29	0.65%
512 - Ring or jewelry removal	1	0.02%
520 - Water problem, other	6	0.13%
522 - Water or steam leak	5	0.11%
531 - Smoke or odor removal	5	0.11%
542 - Animal rescue	1	0.02%
550 - Public service assistance, other	7	0.16%
551 - Assist police or other governmental agency	4	0.09%
552 - Police matter	11	0.25%
553 - Public service	54	1.2%
554 - Assist invalid	166	3.7%
555 - Defective elevator, no occupants	4	0.09%
561 - Unauthorized burning	4	0.09%
571 - Cover assignment, standby, moveup	2	0.04%
600 - Good intent call, other	9	0.2%

FIRE INCIDENT STATISTICS

2024

INCIDENT TYPE	# INCIDENTS	% of TOTAL
611 - Dispatched & cancelled en route	365	8.14%
621 - Wrong location	2	0.04%
622 - No incident found on arrival at dispatch address	52	1.16%
650 - Steam, other gas mistaken for smoke, other	1	0.02%
651 - Smoke scare, odor of smoke	18	0.4%
661 - EMS call, party transported by non-fire agency	1	0.02%
671 - HazMat release investigation w/no HazMat	2	0.04%
700 - False alarm or false call, other	30	0.67%
730 - System malfunction, other	4	0.09%
731 - Sprinkler activation due to malfunction	4	0.09%
732 - Extinguishing system activation due to malfunction	1	0.02%
733 - Smoke detector activation due to malfunction	16	0.36%
734 - Heat detector activation due to malfunction	2	0.04%
735 - Alarm system sounded due to malfunction	841	18.75%
736 - CO detector activation due to malfunction	6	0.13%
740 - Unintentional transmission of alarm, other	58	1.07%
741 - Sprinkler activation, no fire - unintentional	18	0.4%
742 - Extinguishing system activation	6	0.13%
743 - Smoke detector activation, no fire - unintentional	79	1.54%
744 - Detector activation, no fire - unintentional	24	0.31%
745 - Alarm system activation, no fire - unintentional	287	5.35%
746 - Carbon monoxide detector activation, no CO	5	0.11%
800 - Severe weather or natural disaster, other	1	0.02%
813 - Wind storm, tornado/hurricane assessment	1	0.02%
900 - Special type of incident, other	27	0.6%
TOTAL INCIDENTS:	4563	100%

FIRE INCIDENT STATISTICS

2024

Franklin Park Fire Dept



Incident Statistics

Start Date: 01/01/2024 | End Date: 12/31/2024

INCIDENT COUNT

INCIDENT TYPE	# INCIDENTS
EMS	2126
FIRE	2437
TOTAL	4563

TOTAL TRANSPORTS (N2 and N3)

APPARATUS	# of APPARATUS TRANSPORTS	# of PATIENT TRANSPORTS	TOTAL # of PATIENT CONTACTS
TOTAL			

PRE-INCIDENT VALUE

\$462,044,464.00

LOSSES

\$3,147,614.00

CO CHECKS

424 - Carbon monoxide incident	7
736 - CO detector activation due to malfunction	6
746 - Carbon monoxide detector activation, no CO	5
TOTAL	18

MUTUAL AID

Aid Type	Total
Aid Given	597
Aid Received	182

OVERLAPPING CALLS

# OVERLAPPING	% OVERLAPPING
1399	31.19

LIGHTS AND SIREN - AVERAGE RESPONSE TIME (Dispatch to Arrival)

Station	EMS	FIRE
Station 1	0:04:52	0:05:44
Station 2	0:05:30	0:07:21
AVERAGE FOR ALL CALLS		0:05:24

LIGHTS AND SIREN - AVERAGE TURNOUT TIME (Dispatch to Enroute)

Station	EMS	FIRE
Station 1	0:01:33	0:01:48
Station 2	0:01:41	0:02:52
AVERAGE FOR ALL CALLS		0:01:46

AGENCY

Franklin Park Fire Dept

AVERAGE TIME ON SCENE (MM:SS)

12:33

Franklin Park Fire Department



Station #1

3113 Atlantic St.

Headquarters Station #2

10001 Addison Ave.

Station #3

2940 Elm St.

Phone: 847-678-2400

Fax: 847-671-6529

