

**2021 ANNUAL REPORT
TRI-LAKES MONUMENT
FIRE PROTECTION
DISTRICT**



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FIRE CHIEF'S MESSAGE

I am pleased to present the Tri-Lakes Monument Fire Protection District (TLMFPD) 2021 Annual Report. As you will see in the pages to follow, your fire district worked hard in 2021, serving the local community and abroad through several wildland deployments. As Fire Chief, I could not be more proud of the work our men and women have accomplished. Our firefighters are dedicated to serving the needs of our residents with excellence, integrity, loyalty, respect, and service.

In 2021 the Board of Directors adopted the 2022-2026 Strategic Plan. The strategic plan will guide our actions for the next five years and is the first step to agency accreditation through the Center for Public Safety Excellence. Agency accreditation will be a significant undertaking but essential to becoming a best-in-class fire department. You can review our strategic plan on our website at www.tlmfire.org.

We also completed the remodel of Fire Station 1. The classroom, office, kitchen, dayroom, dorms, restrooms, and gym were completed upgraded, adding approx. 1800 square feet of additional space. The district also purchased 14 acres adjacent to the station. We envision a regional fire training center to include classrooms, a driving course, a fleet maintenance facility and warehouse, and numerous training buildings and props. In 2022, we will be identifying an architect to help us "bring to life" our vision for the campus.

In 2021, crews deployed out of the district to wildfires in adjacent counties and Arizona and Wyoming. I believe our most significant community risk is wildfire. In 2022, we will be taking delivery of a new Type 3 wildland fire engine and investing in pre-fire plans for our community.

Lastly, the Board of Directors from Tri-Lakes Monument and Donald Wescott Fire Protection District signed an Administrative and Operational Services Contract. The partial services contract is the first step in unifying the two agencies. The unification is anticipated to benefit the community and the districts, including providing enhanced emergency services through more efficient use of integrated infrastructure, streamlined processes, access to additional resources without reliance on contractual mutual aid, and uniformity in training, operations, and administration. Further, unifying the districts is expected to reduce the cost of government by eliminating duplicative costs, thus ensuring that more taxpayer funds are being applied to providing life-saving emergency services. Residents in the southern half of Tri-Lake Monument FPD's jurisdiction are expected to see shorter response times, critical when responding to structure fires, heart attacks, and strokes.

Thank you for taking the time to review our annual report. I hope you find this information useful. Please let us know how we can serve you better.

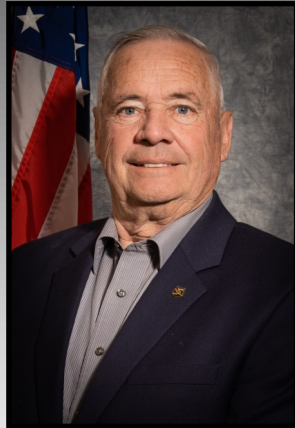
Respectfully,

Andy Kovacs, Fire Chief



Andy Kovacs
Fire Chief





BOARD OF DIRECTORS

John Hildebrandt
President

Roger Lance
Vice-President

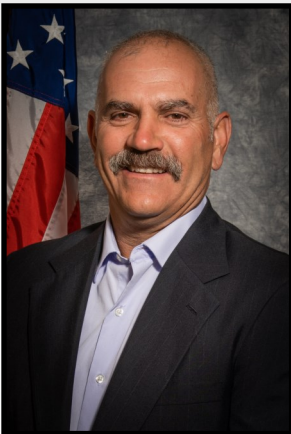
Jason Buckingham
Treasurer

Mike Smaldino
Secretary

Terri Hayes
Director

Tom Kelly
Director

Tom Tharnish
Director



WHO WE ARE

Tri-Lakes Monument Fire Protection District serves its citizens and property with character, connection, and a commitment to excellence. TLMFPD is equipped and committed to ensuring public safety through fire suppression, emergency medical services and patient transportation, hazardous materials response, technical rescue, and wildland firefighting. Our three fire stations are staffed 24/7/365.

QUICK FACTS

Average elevation: 7,100 feet
Population served: 33,000 residents
Coverage area: 50 square miles
Fire stations: 3
Administrative building: 1
Daily staffing: 15 career firefighters
(EMT's & paramedics)
Response: 24/7/365
Estimated: 9,652 residential households
Estimated: 418 businesses
Assessed property value: \$587,254,030
2021 Budget: \$11,926,597
Insurance Services Offices (ISO): 3/3Y



MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Tri-Lakes Monument Fire Protection District is to minimize the loss of life and property resulting from fires, medical emergencies environmental, and other disasters.

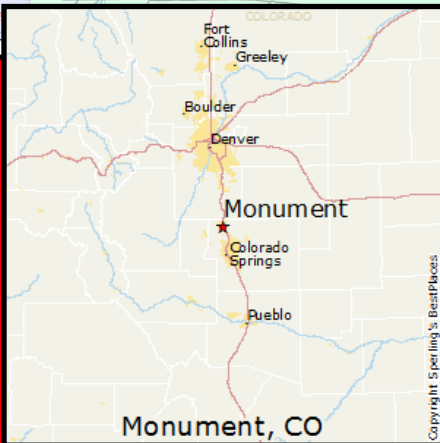
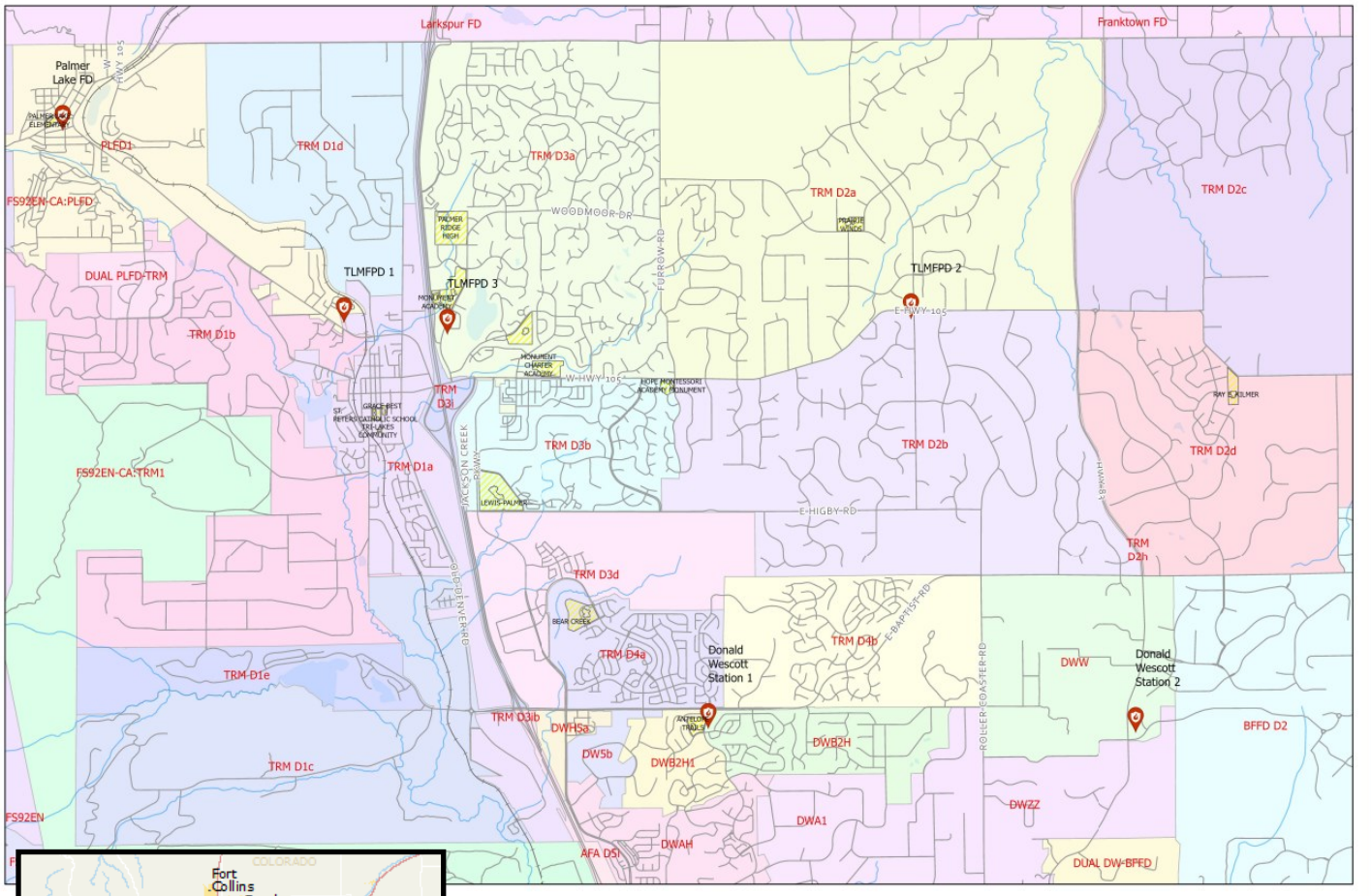
VISION STATEMENT

We will accomplish our mission through a progressive and professional system of personal development, public education, fire suppression, code enforcement, medical services, and rescue skills. We will actively participate in our community, serve as role models, and strive to effectively and efficiently utilize all of the Necessary resources at our command to provide a service deemed excellent by our citizens.

ORGANIZATIONAL VALUES

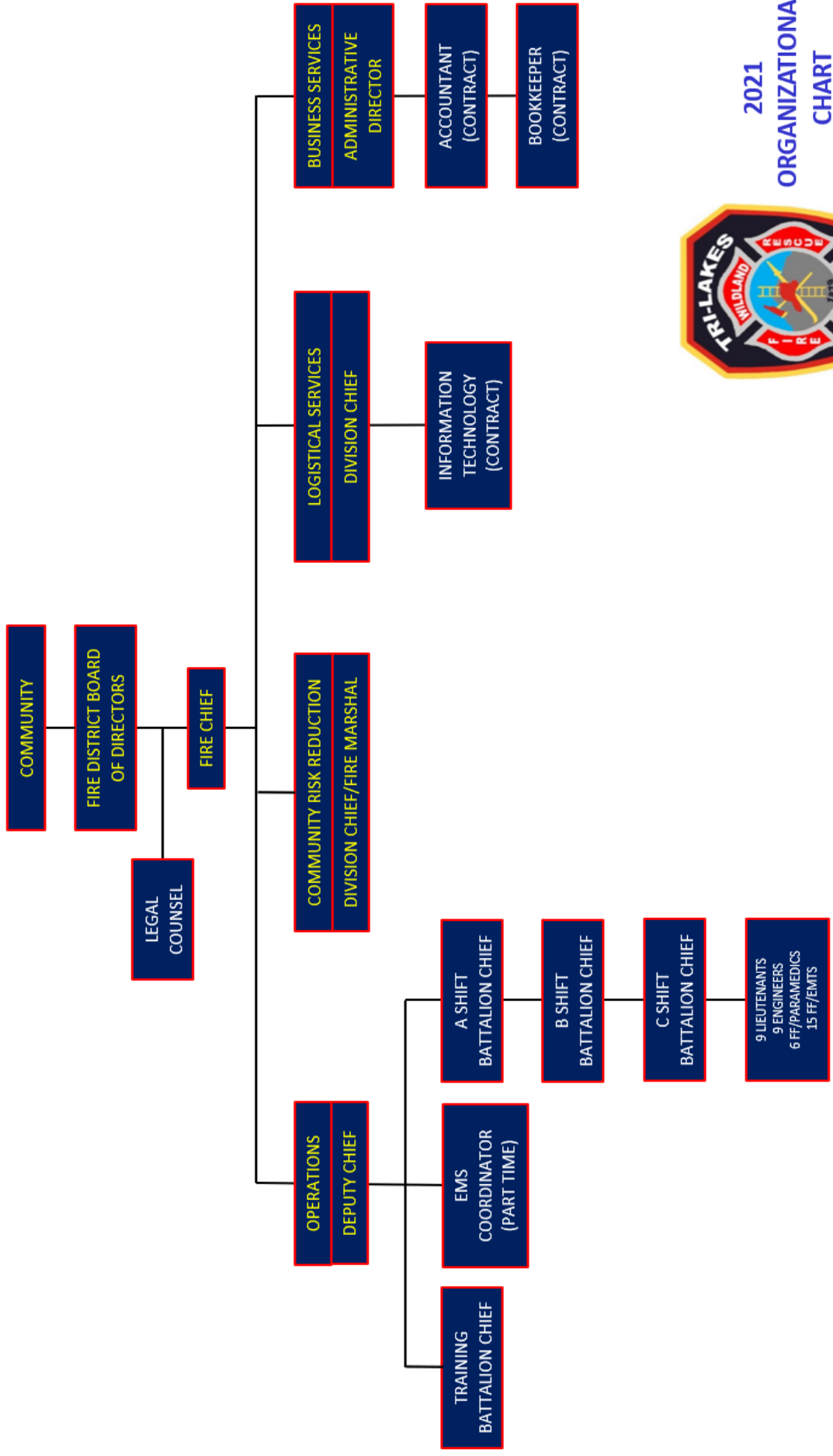
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Fire District Service Area





2021
ORGANIZATIONAL
CHART
Revised 2/12/2021



FACILITIES

Administrative Office
16055 Old Forest Point,
Suite 102
Monument, CO 80132



Fire Station 1
18650 Highway 105
Monument, CO 80132



Fire Station 2
18460 Roller Coaster
Road
Monument, CO 80132



Fire Station 3
1855 Woodmoor Drive
Monument, CO 80132



FLEET/APPARATUS

Daily, the district operates:

2 engines

1 tower ladder

2 ALS ambulances

3 brush trucks (Type 6)

5 command vehicles

1 ATV

1 snowcat

2 snowmobiles

The district also maintains a fleet of reserve apparatus.



Battalion 2202



Tower 2231

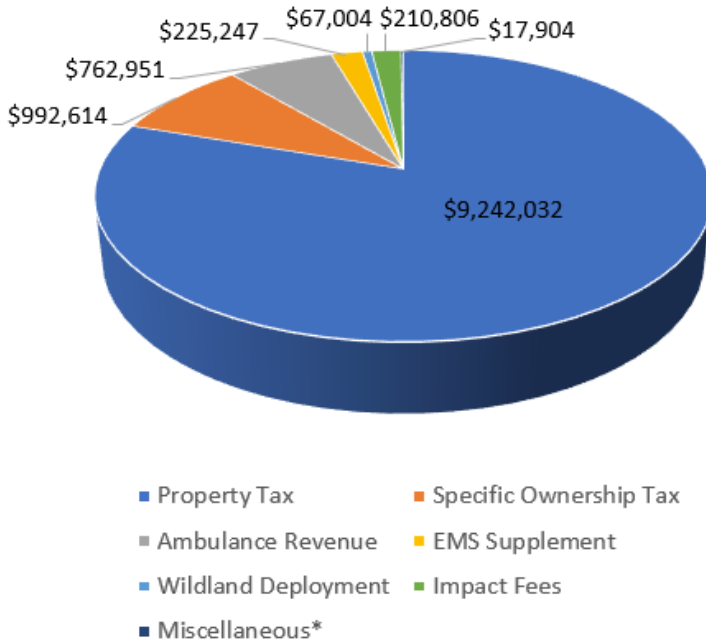


Engine 2212 & 2213

Ambulance 2281 & 2282



REVENUE



Miscellaneous* includes donations, grants, sale of equipment, etc.

REVENUE
\$11,518,558

Property taxes generate 80% of the district's revenue.

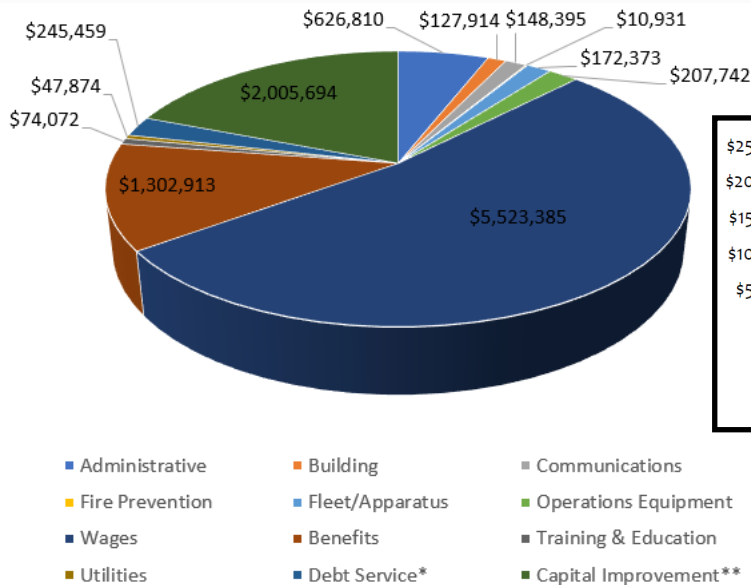


Wildland deployments provide revenue to the fire district.

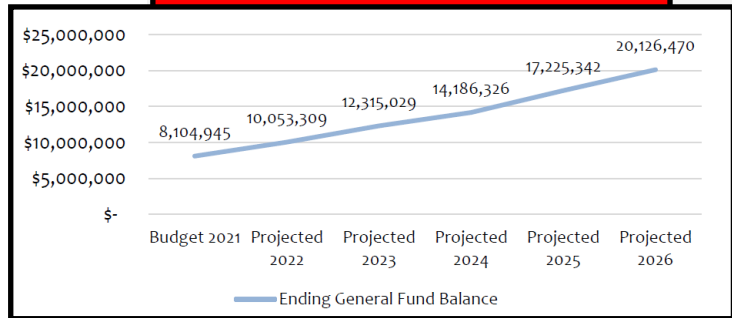
EXPENDITURES
\$10,493,562

Salaries & wages constitute the district largest expense (65% of budget).

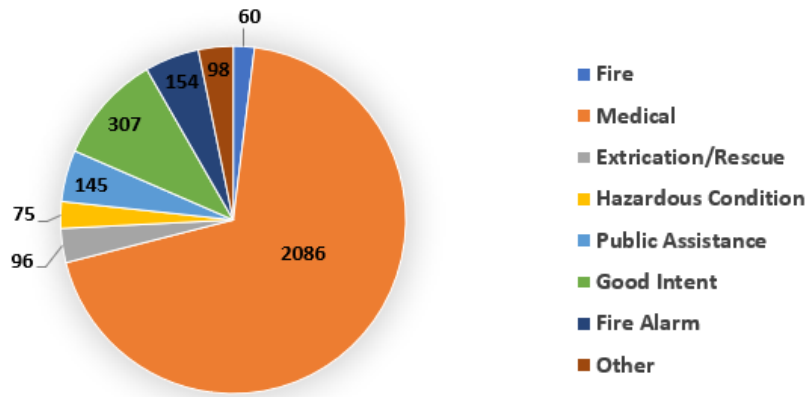
EXPENDITURES



Debt Services* include fire apparatus payments
Capital improvement** includes station remodel/upgrades

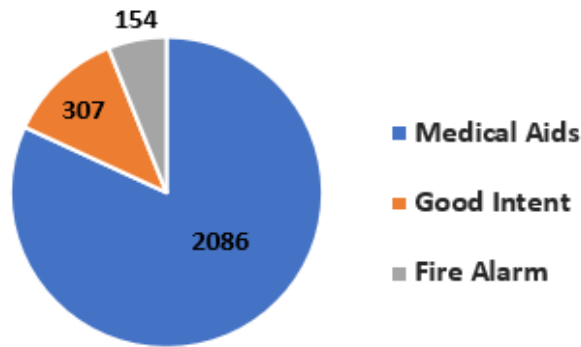


Incidents by Call Type



The district ran 3021 calls for service in 2021

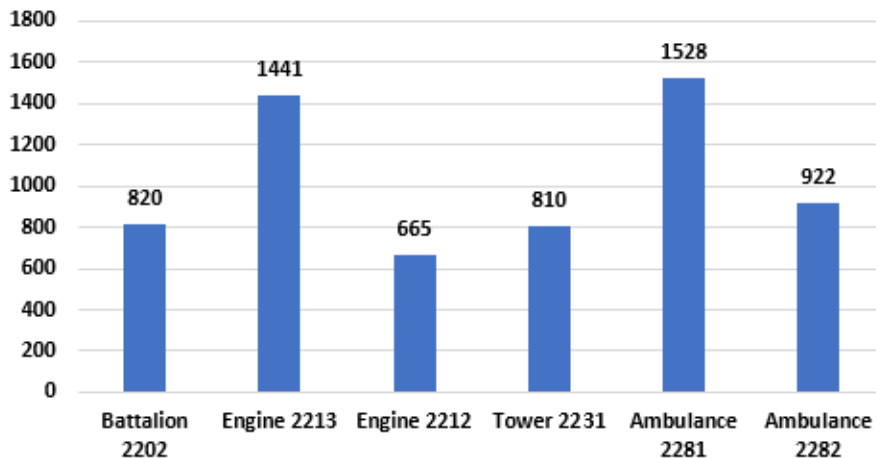
Call Type - Top 3

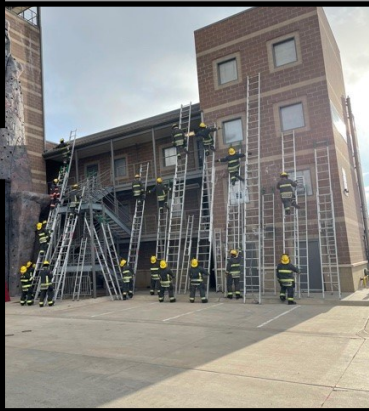


OPERATIONS

- * New RMS implemented to collect and manage call data more efficiently
- * Blue Card implemented
- * Upgraded to 4" fire hose on all engine companies
- * Several employees joined the EL Paso County Type 3 IMT
- * The wildland team accepted multiple assignments across the Western U.S.
- * Implemented firefighter gross decon process to reduce exposure to carcinogens
- * Micah Coyle was promoted to battalion chief
- * Steve Peters was promoted to lieutenant

Responses by Unit

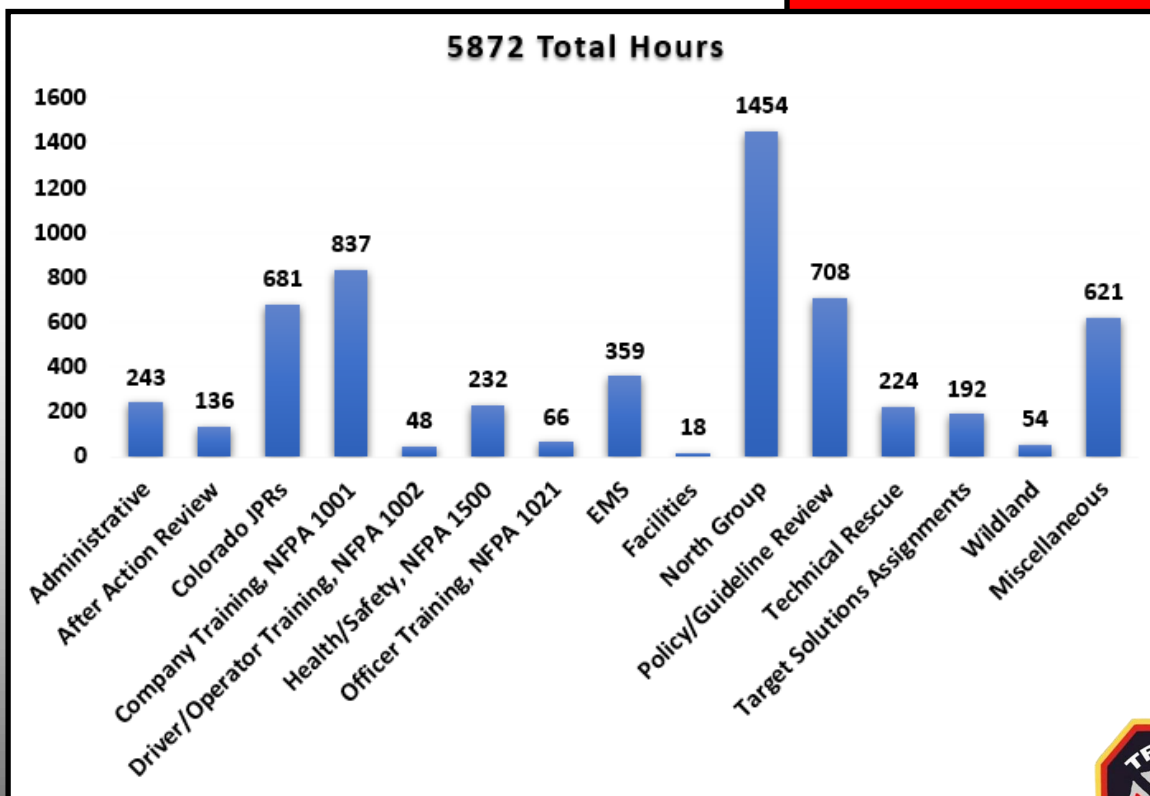




TRAINING AND SAFETY

- * Inaugural Fire Officer I Academy
- * Inaugural Driver/Operator Academy
- * Rope rescue training
- * Live Fire at Franktown
- * Target Solutions software introduced
- * Ice rescue refresher
- * Annual wildland fireline safety refresher
- * Blue Card certification
- * Rural water supply training
- * Three firefighters graduated the West Metro Fire Academy

Your firefighters logged over 5800 hours of training in 2021!



* North group—multi-agency training. Topics vary.

** Miscellaneous—includes physical fitness, COVID daily tracking, etc.



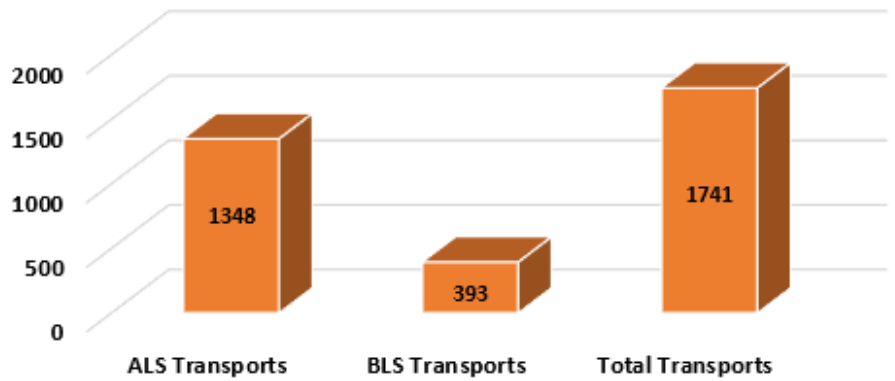
EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

- * ESO software implemented
- * Implementation of continuing education tracking through Target Solutions
- * Implementation of a full-time EMS Coordinator
- * Cardiac monitor Bluetooth to ESO data transfer
- * Two product demo's budgeted in 2022 for injury prevention
- * FF Christian Schmidt and Paramedic Stephanie Soll Awarded the EMSAC Paul Cary Award for Valor
- * Medical director evaluation of personnel through iSimulate scenarios
- * ACLS/PALS refresher training
- * CPR refresher training

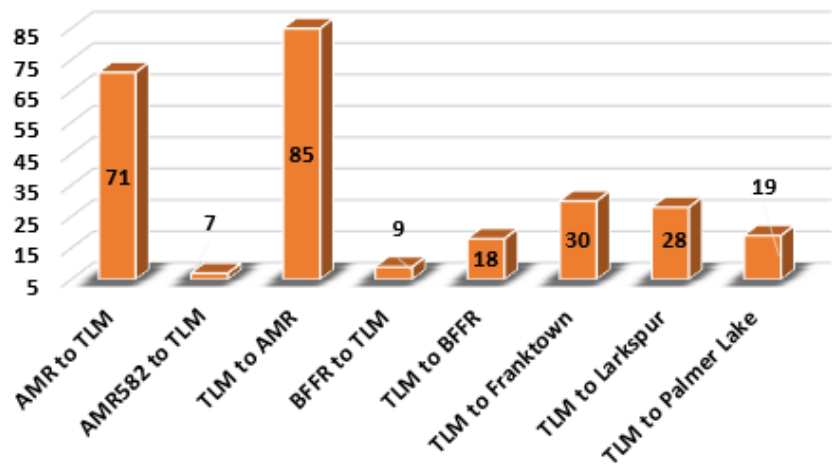


New ambulance build

Ambulance Transports



Ambulance Automatic Aid



EMS training



ADMINISTRATION

- * Employee Handbook revised
- * Numerous Standard Operating Guidelines revised/edited/distributed
- * Numerous documents revised/updated/distributed
- * CO EMS Supplement completed
- * 2020 Audit completed
- * 2022 Budget prepared
- * Wildland deployment reimbursement processed
- * Administrative and Operational Services contract signed with DWFPD
- * 2022-2026 TLMFPD Strategic Plan adopted
- * Sold Suite #103 (old office)
- * Succession planning survey
- * Petitions for inclusions into the district
- * New district website created
- * 1st Annual Family Picnic
- * Regional stakeholder meetings



RETIREMENTS



Randy Trost
Deputy Chief



Dean Wahl
DC of Logistics

PROMOTIONS



Jonathan Bradley
DC of Operations



Micah Coyle
Battalion Chief



Steve Peters
Lieutenant



ADMINISTRATION



Strategic Planning Workshop



NEW ASSIGNMENTS



Kris Mola
BC of Training



Stephanie Soll
EMS Coordinator



Chris Keough
LT of Logistics (Temp)



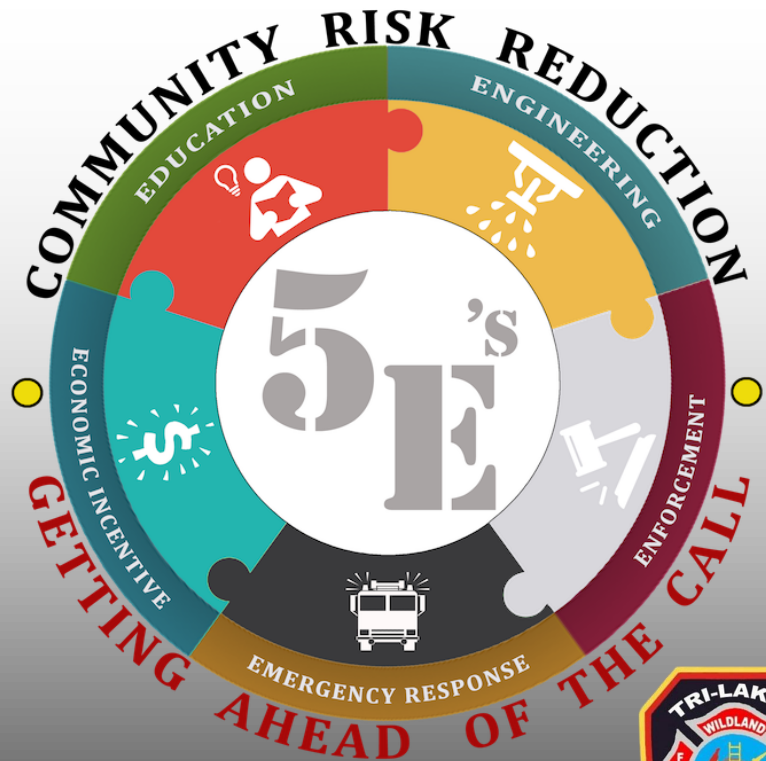
COMMUNITY RISK REDUCTION

Inspection Services

- * Inspections completed:
 - 21 wildfire mitigation assessments
 - 7 school fire inspections
 - 10 business inspections
 - 25 fire finals on commercial & multi-family properties
- * 15 chipping events with nine HOA's
- * Ready, Set, Go messaging

Public Education

- * Town of Monument 4th of July parade
- * Chamber of Commerce Business Expo
- * Santa on Patrol in partnership with Monument PD and Toys for Tots
- * 9/11 ceremony with the Town of Monument, American Legion, Crossfit 7070
- * Town of Monument Trick or Treat event
- * Numerous HOA meetings
- * Fire Prevention Month in October reached over 1,000 children in the school district





Five new communities were added to the chipping program this year.

3,500 cubic yards chipped in 2021

68-hours spent chipping

225 neighborhood volunteers assisted



Community chipping minimizes the destruction from wildfire.

COMMUNITY CHIPPING

TLMFPD seeks to protect our district, residents, and watershed from wildfire through cooperative efforts of mitigation and fuel reduction with an emphasis placed on community values and economic sustainability.

66%

increase in our community chipping efforts in 2021.



“Mitigation is like a quilt. You have to mitigate one square of the quilt at a time.”

Dave Root, CSFS





Fire Station 1 Remodel Project
Completed Fall 2021



Type 3 Engine (example)



Ambulance under
construction



New Battalion Chief's pickup

LOGISTICS

Facilities

- * Fire Station 1 remodel
 - Added 1800 square feet of space to include dorms, kitchen, dayroom offices, training classroom and gym
- * 14-acres purchased adjacent to Fire Station 1 for a future Regional training center.

Fleet

- * We continue to grow our fleet to meet the changing needs of our community.
- * New Type 3 wildland engine ordered. Will take delivery in 2022. The new engine will augment our response capability to wildfires.
- * New ambulance ordered. Will take delivery in 2022.
- * Truck committee established to spec a new tower ladder to be purchased in 2023.
- * New battalion chief's pickup truck delivered.

Tools & Equipment

- * Received new self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA)



AWARDS & RECOGNITION



Volunteer Years of Service

- * LT Ayala – 1 year
- * FF/PM Barker – 5 years
- * Engineer Black – 2 years
- * LT Bodinsky – 2 years
- * Chief Bradley – 1 year
- * FF Brickell – 3 years
- * LT Buckner – 7 years
- * Chief Bumgarner – 24 years
- * LT Coyle – 5 years
- * Engineer Cudney – 8 years
- * Chief Dooley – 7 years
- * Engineer Edmunds – 1 year
- * PM Fuller – 3 years
- * FF Gillette – 9 years
- * FF Godson – 2 years
- * LT Hankins – 9 years
- * FF Horne – 2 years
- * LT Keough – 8 years
- * Chief Keough – 17 years
- * Chief Kovacs – 6 years
- * Chief Mola – 5 years
- * FF/PM Normen – 1 year
- * FF O'Hara – 3 years
- * Engineer Rauenzahn – 3 years
- * LT Richmond – 4 years
- * FF Ruona – 4 years
- * FF Schmidt – 3 years
- * LT Smith – 3 years
- * Engineer Stoenner – 2 years
- * Engineer Tafoya – 3 years
- * FF/PM Thorne – 2 years
- * Engineer Thorpe – 10 years
- * FF Vogl – 3 years

Major Incidents

- * Waldo Canyon Fire, 2012
- * Black Forest Fire, 2013
- * Bomb Cyclone Winter Storm, 2019
- * Winter Storm, 2021

Recognition—Previous Years

- * LT Keough—Distinguished Service Award
- * Engineer Tafoya—Medal of Merit
- * LT Mola, Engineer Tafoya, FF Gillette—Unit Citation
- * LT Branden—Life-Saving Award
- * Paramedic Lovato—Department Commendation
- * BC Mola—Life-Saving Award
- * Paramedic Soll—Life-Saving Award
- * FF Schmidt—Letter of Achievement

Length of Service

- * Engineer Tafoya—15 years
- * Engineer Rauenzahn—15 years
- * Engineer Thorpe—15 years
- * Engineer Black—15 years
- * FF/PM Peters—10 years
- * Engineer Stoenner—5 years
- * FF/PM Thorne—5 years
- * FF/PM Barker—5 years

Chief's Coin Recipients

- * LT Richmond
- * LT Bodinsky
- * LT Coyle
- * LT Smith
- * Engineer Black
- * Engineer Thorpe
- * FF Schmidt
- * FF/PM Barker
- * FF/PM Peters
- * Dir of Admin Martin



West Metro Fire Academy Graduates

- * FF/PM Bruchis
- * FF/PM Boyce
- * FF O'Hara

Recognition—2021

- * FF/PM Thorne, FF Ortuno—Life-Saving Award
- * FF Horne—Local 4319 Award
- * LT Coyle—Firefighter of the Year



Firefighter of the Year
LT Micah Coyle





President Hildebrandt receiving the Length of Service Award from the Special Districts Association of Colorado.

**OTHER NOTABLE
EVENTS**



9-11 Remembrance Ceremony and CrossFit workout to raise funds for the TLMFPD and Monument PD Honor Guard.



First annual pumpkin decorating contest and L4319 food drive.



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