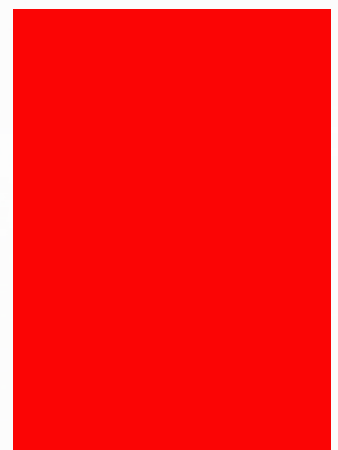


2024 ANNUAL REPORT

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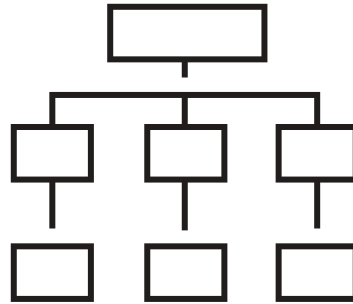
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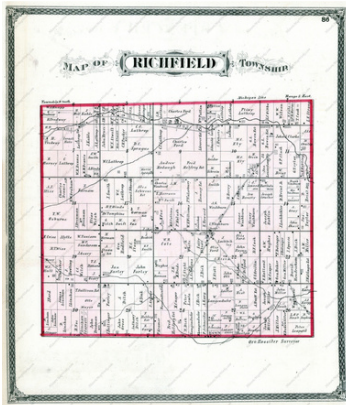
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MESSAGE FROM THE FIRE CHIEF

To our community members, elected officials, and dedicated staff,
As Fire Chief, I am proud to present our Richfield Township Fire Department's Annual Report, which reflects the hard work, dedication, and unwavering commitment of our firefighters, emergency responders, and support staff throughout the past year.

This year, we responded to hundreds of calls for service—ranging from structure fires and medical emergencies to hazardous materials incidents and rescue operations. Each call reinforced our mission: to save lives, protect property & strengthen community relations with professionalism, courage and dedication.

We continued to invest in our people through advanced training, leadership development, and mental health support. In addition, we made strategic upgrades to equipment and technology to enhance our operational readiness and safety. Our fire prevention and public education teams also worked tirelessly to connect with the community, offering fire safety programs, CPR training, and school outreach initiatives.

None of this would be possible without the ongoing support of our local leaders and community members. I want to thank you for placing your trust in us and for working together to build a safer, more resilient community.

As we look to the future, we remain committed to continuous improvement, innovation, and excellence in service. I am honored to lead this department and to serve alongside the brave individuals who put the needs of others above their own every day.

Sincerely,

H. Pete Scarborough

Fire Chief

Richfield Township Fire Department



ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



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STEVE
BETTINGER



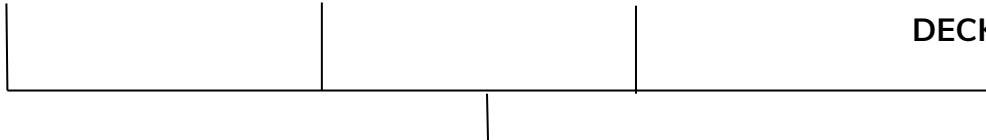
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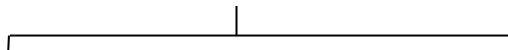
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TOWNSHIP
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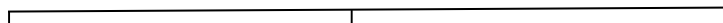
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SCARBOROUGH



CAPTAIN-
ANDY
LUMBREZER



CAPTAIN-
RYAN
SEDLOCK



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JENNIFER
WILLEY



LIEUTENANT
CHASE
LINNENGUGEL



LIEUTENANT
JIM
CROOKS

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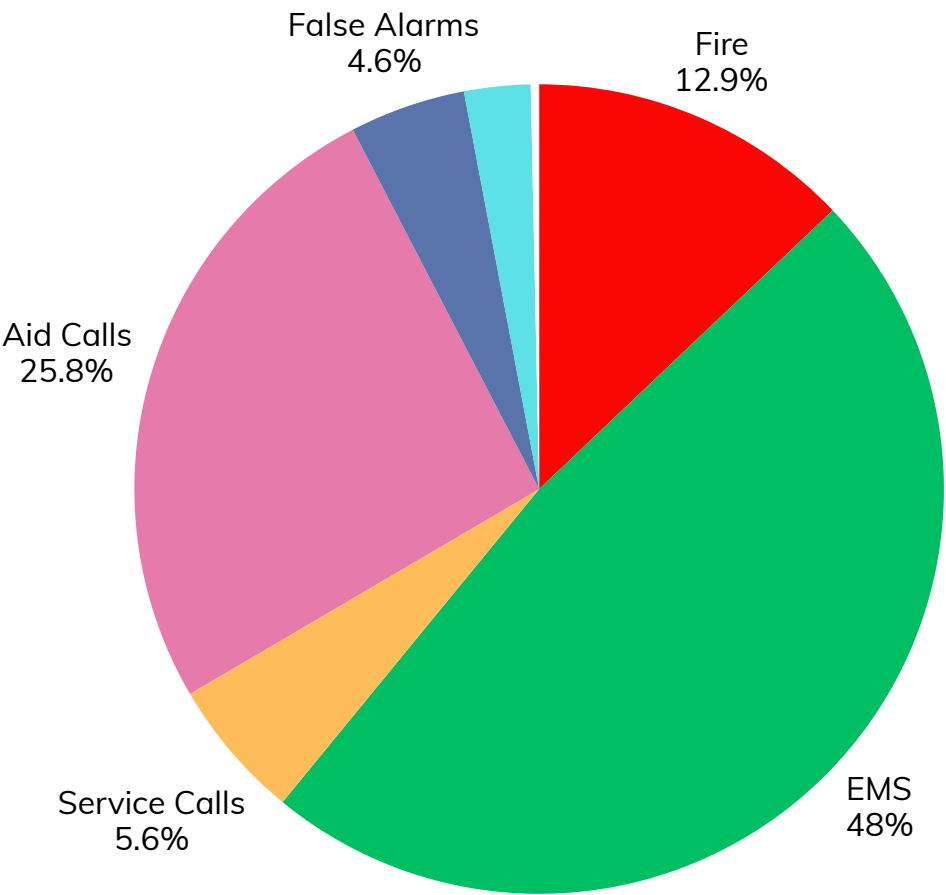
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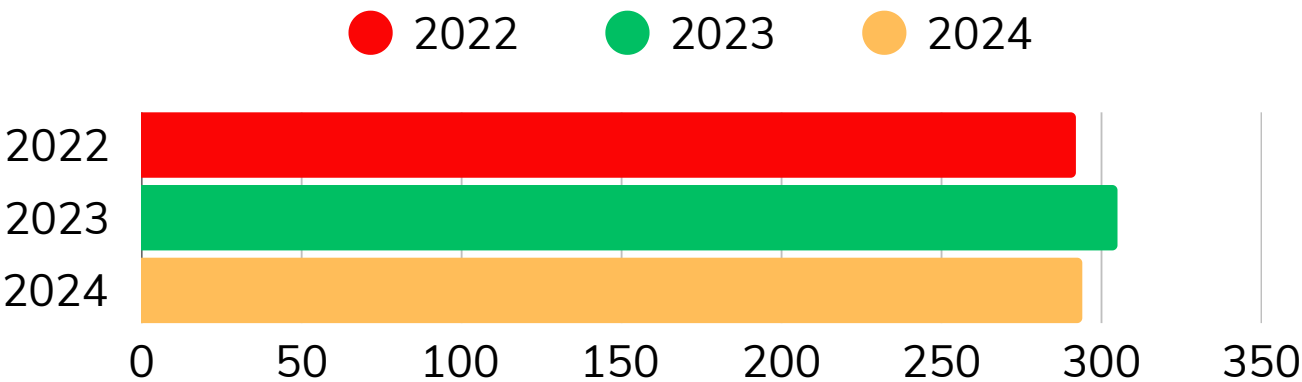
PERSONNEL YEARS OF SERVICE WITH RTFD



CALLS FOR SERVICE BY TYPE



CALLS FOR SERVICE BY YEAR



RICHFIELD TOWNSHIP FIRE APPARATUS

ENGINE



The ENGINE is an apparatus that contains a pump and gallons of water, hose lines, tools, extrication equipment and medical supplies.

The current first out engine at RTFD is near the end of its life at over 25 years of service.

MEDIC



The MEDIC is an apparatus that provide immediate emergency care for the ill or injured, It is equipped with much of the same gear and medications as an emergency room

BRUSH TRUCK



The BRUSH TRUCK is the apparatus for fighting off road fires. With the lighter frame it is more nimble and can access many places the larger apparatus cannot. This apparatus also carries emergency medical equipment.

RESCUE ENGINE



The RESCUE ENGINE is an apparatus that contains a pump and gallons of water, hose lines, tools, multiple pieces of extrication equipment and medical supplies.

RTFD's RESCUE ENGINE has served for nearly 30 years and ending its serviceability.

TENDER



The TENDER is an apparatus that specializes in the transport of water to an incident scene. RTFD's TENDER has a water capacity of 3500 gallons. It can draft water from a stream, a pond, pool or fire hydrant

GATOR



The GATOR is a specialized apparatus that is designed to get off road and into extremely tight spaces, like forests and parks. This apparatus carries minimal water and wildland firefighting equipment. It also contains medical first responder equipment.

LOGISTICS DIVISION



Lt Jim Crooks, a 40 year veteran of RTFD, oversees the Logistics Division. Logistics is ensuring that the department has the resources, equipment and systems necessary to effectively operate. This role focuses on support rather than firefighter or emergency response. His duties typically include: Resource Management, Facilities Management and Fleet Management. Lt Crooks ensures the firefighters and the fire department have everything they need to perform their duties effectively and safely. He plays a critical behind the scenes role in the success of the fire department

LOOKING FOR ARTISTS!

For some time we have been trying to get a new logo for RTFD. We are searching for an artist to give us something similar to the below logos. We would love to have a firefighting Viking to represent Evergreen's Mascot or maybe a firefighting Farmer. If anyone is willing to donate some art for consideration please contact us at info@richfieldtwpfire.org



LOGISTICS DIVISION



In 2024 we took possession of a new to us Brush Truck. This purchase was made possible by the sale of outdated surplus equipment. The Chevrolet 2500 Silverado replaced our older Brush Truck. It had served the township with vigor for over a decade

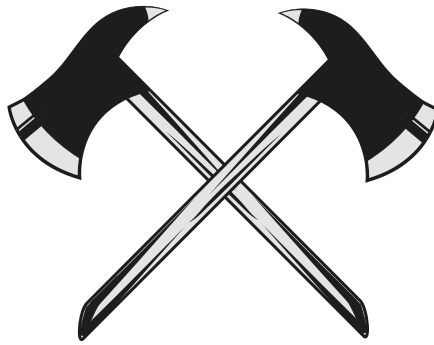
RTFD also purchased a brand new John Deere Gator. This apparatus makes it possible for us to get into woods, the park and off road. This was purchased by the Richfield Firefighters Association, which gains funds from donations and the annual Feather Party in November.



A grant was received that allowed the purchase of a skid unit for this, providing fire service capabilities and medical response.



OPERATIONS DIVISION



Our Operations Division is divided into bureau's the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Bureau and the Fire/Rescue Bureau. These are oversaw by Captains Andy Lumbrezer and Ryan Sedlock respectfully.

Collectively these two have over 30 years of Fire/EMS experience. Will ensuring that RTFD has what it needs to operate these Captains also research and apply for Grants to off set the burden on our tax base.



EMS BUREAU



The EMS Bureau gets its Logistic operated by Lt Chasse Linnenkugel. Lt Linnenkugel has been a member of RTFD since 1999. He is responsible in ordering equipment for EMS, this includes everything from band aids to life saving medications.



MEDICAL DIRECTOR



In 2024 we joined Dr Thomas Bogg's Medical Group. An EMS Medical Director oversees the medical aspects of an Emergency Medical Services (EMS) system, ensuring high-quality patient care and compliance with regulations. Their responsibilities include developing and implementing medical protocols, participating in quality improvement programs, and providing medical oversight for EMS personnel. They also play a crucial role in training, education, and resource allocation within the EMS system.

OPERATIONS DIVISION



RTFD, through intense recruitment has added 15 new members since January 1, 2024. This has been spearheaded by Lieutenant Jennifer Willey. Lt Willey, with assistance of a committee of co-workers oversees interviewing. In addition to this Lt Willey is in charge of many public engagement events. RTFD attempts to attend any event we are invited to. With no major festivals or fairs in Richfield Township we intend to participate and recruit during the Swanton Corn Fest in 2025.



Girl Scouts toured the station after learning some basic first aid. (above)

Working with 4H & Boy Scouts to clean up the Township. Picking up trash along roadways. (left)

TRAINING DIVISION

Over 300 training classes were conducted by RTFD in 2024. We have many members that are instructor level and this division is mutually run by all of them.

Some of the topics this year were:

Pump Operations
Extrication
Emergency Vehicle Operations
Rapid Intervention Teams
MAYDAY
Advanced Cardiac Life Support
Pediatric Life Support
Agricultural Emergencies
Ladder Operations
Patient Assessment
Patient Packaging
Mass Trauma Events
...and many more.



Did you know that your Richfield Township Firefighters participated in over 630 hours of training during 2024. Many training topics and time is dictated by the state and each member must achieve a minimum amount, depending on certifications.



COMMUNITY OUTREACH

In 2024 RTFD participated in many public events including an Open House, compression only CPR at the Youth Day at Toledo Trap & Skeet, Trunk or Treat at Fire Station, Santa Claus visit at Fire Station, the Dooby Du event at Secor Metro Park, Evergreen High School football games and many others.



ODDS & ENDS



This year saw the retirement of Assistant Chief of EMS Denise Farley after 29 years of service. Enjoy your time chief!

We received a grant for 25 new sets of firefighter protective gear valued over \$125,000. The gear's lifespan is 10 years and we had long surpassed that life span with our old gear.



We hosted our annual retiree & family breakfast.



Thanks to the generosity of our citizens and support of our elected officials we have come a long way