

Annual Report

2003



Welcome,

2003 was an exciting year for the Payson Fire Department. It was a year of adapting to significant change while maintaining a high level of performance. In dealing with the resignations of the Fire Chief and the Fire Marshal, and the resultant change in leadership, department members continued to invest much energy into their respective assignments while continuing to provide superior service to the public.

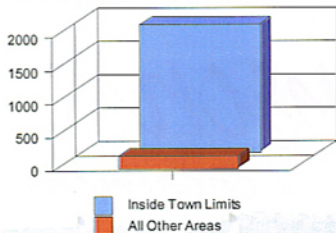
Addressing the threat of wildland fires continues to be a primary concern. The development of personnel and obtaining the necessary resources to address this issue also remain as ongoing challenges. The Payson Fire Department is committed to meeting these, and all other concerns, in a positive, productive and cost effective manner.

Thank you for allowing us to serve.

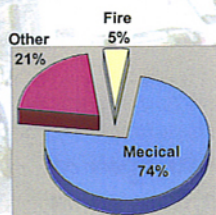
Sincerely, Martín deMasí, Fire Chief

WILDLAND FUELS REDUCTION PROGRAM

Calls by Jurisdiction



- ⇒ Partnered with area fire departments, USFS, ASLD and Gila County to sponsor free brush disposal pits.
- ⇒ Initiated or completed treatments on 54+ acres of wildland interface areas within Town limits.
- ⇒ Removed 56 hazard trees.
- ⇒ Provided Firewise education, in the form of workshops/seminars, for local property owners.



DEPARTMENT OVERVIEW

PERSONNEL

Total Personnel = 38
 Full Time = 24
 Paid on Call = 14
 Chief = 1
 Fire Marshal = 1
 Administrative Secretary = 1
 Battalion Chiefs = 3
 Captains = 6
 Engineers = 6
 Fire Fighters = 20

BUDGET

| FY 2001 / 2002 | FY 2002 / 2003 | FY 2003 / 2004 |
|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| \$1.807 mil | \$1.970 mil. | \$1.882 mil. |

GENERAL

Fire Stations = 2
 Corporate Town area =
 19.5 sq. miles
 Population = 14,810

TRAINING HOURS

Structural training = 1,456
 Non-structural training = 1,717
 Medical training = 1,243
 Total training hours = 4,416

FIRE LOSS DATA

(for 26 structure fires (22%) out of
 120 fire responses)

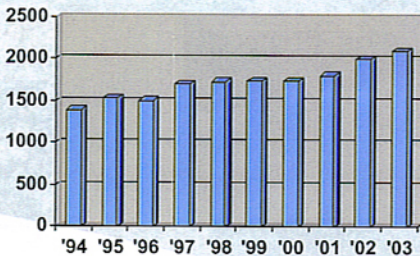
Fire Object value ... = 1,122,720
 Fire Object loss = 317,320
 Fire Object loss as a percentage of Fire Object value = 28%

Content value of Fire Object ... = 258,900
 Content loss = 44,900
 Content loss as a percentage of Content value = 17%

Structure value ... = 1,030,000
 Structure loss = 236,600
 Structure value as a percentage of Fire Object value = 92%
 Structure loss as a percentage of Fire Object loss = 75%

Total value (Fire Object + Content) ... = 1,381,620
 Total loss (Fire Object + Content) = 362,220
 Total loss as a percentage of Total value = 26%

Call Volume by Year



BREAKDOWN OF INCIDENTS

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|-------|----------------------|--------|
| 2,101 | Department responses | = 100% |
| 1,557 | Medical | = 74% |
| 437 | Special Duty | = 21% |
| 73 | First Alarm | = 3% |
| 30 | Still Alarm | = 1% |
| 4 | Mutual Aid | = < 1% |

BREAKDOWN OF RESPONSE TIMES

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|--------------------|----------------|
| Station 11 | = 3.86 minutes |
| Station 12 | = 4.47 minutes |
| Department average | = 4.17 minutes |

SUPPORT REHAB

- ⇒ Responded to significant incidents and provided nutritional support and monitoring of fire fighter's vital signs.
- ⇒ Set up at the Air-O-Fair held at the Payson Airport and provided public education.
- ⇒ Sold T-Shirts and refreshments at several local events to raise money.
- ⇒ With money raised, purchased 50 new Guardian Angel units this year.
- ⇒ The Guardian Angel is a two-piece automatic phone dialer. The user need only push a button on their necklace and the base unit automatically dials a preprogrammed phone number to summon help.

INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FIREFIGHTERS (IAFF) LOCAL 4135

- ⇒ Several yard clean ups for those who were unable to do so.
- ⇒ Raised \$1,934.00 for the Muscular Dystrophy Association.
- ⇒ Built a basket ball court for Marci Roger's Community Kids Program.
- ⇒ The bi-annual clean up of the mile section of the Beeline Highway between milepost 240 and 241 northbound just north of Rye.
- ⇒ Tamales (70 dozen) for Toys in December raised nearly \$1,000.00 and received 562 toys for the Christmas for Kids program.

VEHICLE MAINTENANCE

The Department does a large majority of its own maintenance. Daily checks and adjustments of course, but also quarterly maintenance. What is not practical to perform in-house is contracted out. The Vehicle Maintenance division is also responsible for new-vehicle specifications. Some of this year's highlights include:

- ⇒ A complete brake job on EP121
- ⇒ The delivery and outfitting of a new brush truck, B111
- ⇒ The purchase of a refurbished Ladder truck which was delivered in September

CPR TRAINING FOR 2003

56 Classes were taught
597 Students were trained

TRAINING

- ⇒ Promotional testings were held for all ranks.
- ⇒ Developed and delivered a ladder truck training program.
- ⇒ Various personnel attended the National Fire Academy, State Wildland Academy and the Arizona State Fire School.

PAYSON FIRE DEPARTMENT

Martin deMasi
FIRE CHIEF

ORGANIZATIONAL FLOW CHART

