

WILDLAND FUELS REDUCTION PROGRAM

GENERAL:

- ✓ Completed over 28 acres of fuels reduction projects on Town owned properties near residential areas.
- ✓ Conducted numerous public education efforts aimed at wildfire risk reduction.
- ✓ Completed a wildfire risk assessment for 12 priority neighborhoods.
- ✓ Completed work on the Community Wildfire Protection Plan.

BRUSH REMOVAL PROJECT:

- ✓ Supported brush disposal pits where property owners deposited over 6,000 loads of vegetation free of charge.
- ✓ Three (3) 40-ton (capacity) dumpsters were filled with brush through the neighborhood brush-removal project.

HAZARD TREE PROGRAM:

- ✓ Hazard trees in Payson 251
- ✓ Trees already removed by property owner 67
- ✓ Trees removed by program 38
- ✓ Trees remaining 146

COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM (C.E.R.T.)

- ✓ Completed first full year of service.
- ✓ C.E.R.T. *trainers* increased from three to seven.
- ✓ Four classes were graduated with a total of 70 citizens trained in C.E.R.T. related emergency response.
- ✓ Two disaster drills were held.
- ✓ Participated in the Town of Payson's disaster drill.

SUPPORT REHAB

- ✓ Responds to significant incidents and provides nutritional support and the monitoring of fire fighter vital signs.
- ✓ Sets up each year at the Aero-Fair held at the Payson Airport and provides public education.
- ✓ Sells T-shirts and refreshments at local events to raise money to purchase Guardian Angels.
- ✓ A 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.
- ✓ This year we were able to purchase 125 new Guardian Angels units.
- ✓ In cooperation with the Payson Police Volunteers, installed 50 Guardian Angel units.
- ✓ Support Rehab currently has 12 members.

INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FIREFIGHTERS (IAFF) LOCAL 4135

- ✓ Sent one of our members to the annual Professional Firefighters of Arizona convention in Tucson, AZ.
- ✓ On September 3rd, our annual *Fill-the-Boot* event collected over \$300.00 for the Muscular Dystrophy Association.
- ✓ Our second annual *highway trash clean-up*, between mileposts 240 and 241 on Highway 87 south of Town, netted 22 large bags of garbage, one car hood and lots of tires.
- ✓ On December 4th our second annual *Tamales for Toys* resulted in almost 300 new toys.
- ✓ The toys were delivered on December 23rd by fire fighters and police officers.

PUBLIC OUTREACH

Many programs are conducted throughout the year in order to educate the public (all ages) about Department services. Some of this year's highlights include:

- ✓ Participated in 40 public service events in the community.
- ✓ Partnered with Payson Public Schools to instruct over 300 third grade students in fire safety behaviors.
- ✓ Provided 10 child car safety seats to needy citizens and conducted 20 inspections of such seats; all free of charge.
- ✓ Instituted a customer service feedback program.



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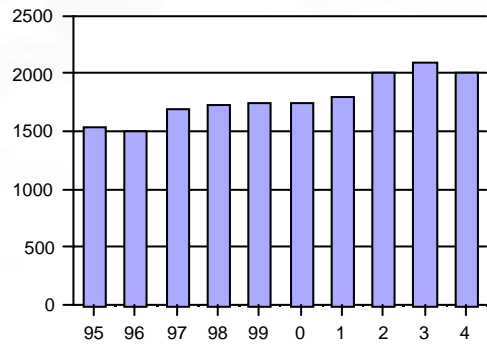
Payson Fire Department Mission Statement

The mission of the Payson Fire Department is to minimize the loss of life and property resulting from fire, medical emergencies and other disasters through prevention, education, fire suppression, emergency medical service and emergency preparedness. This will be accomplished in the most cost-effective manner with maximum utilization of available resources, never sacrificing the safety of our members.

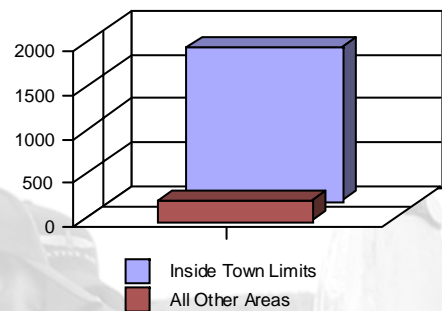
Thank you for allowing us to serve.

*Martin deMasi,
Fire Chief*

Call Volume by Year



Calls by Jurisdiction

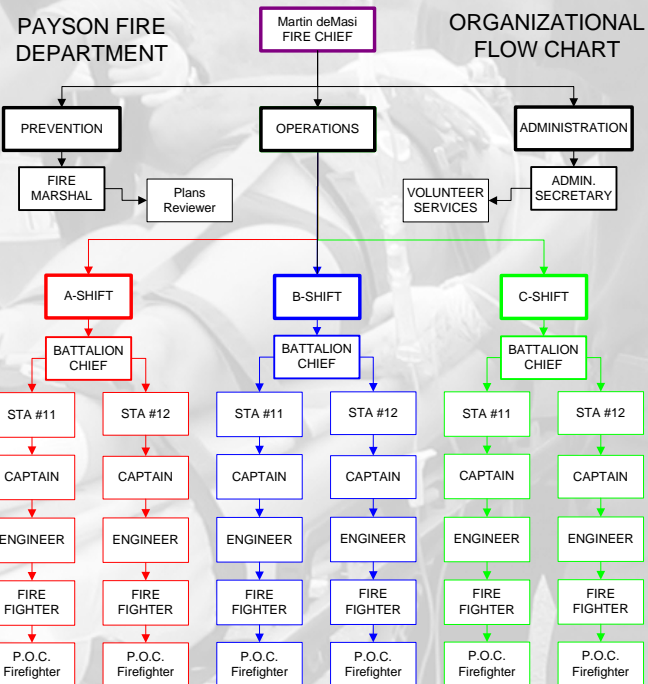


WILDLAND FIRES

- ✓ The Department responded to a total of 26 wildland fires.
- ✓ Seventeen (17) were in Payson
- ✓ AZ State Lands was billed for \$74,150.00 for fires outside of Payson town limits.

CPR TRAINING CENTER

46 Classes were taught
543 Students were trained



DEPARTMENT OVERVIEW

PERSONNEL

Total Personnel = 34
Full Time = 24
Paid on Call = 9
Chief = 1
Fire Marshal = 1
Administrative Secretary = 1
Battalion Chiefs = 3
Captains = 6
Engineers = 6
Fire Fighters = 15

BUDGET

	FY 2002 / 2003	FY 2003 / 2004	FY 2004 / 2005
	\$1.970 mil	\$1.882 mil.	\$2.184 mil.

GENERAL

Fire Stations = 2
Corporate Town area = 19.5 sq. miles
Population = 15,280

TRAINING HOURS

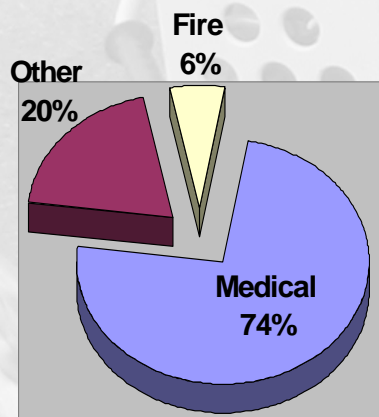
Structural = 2,160
Non-structural = 2,383
Medical = 1,335
Total = 5,878

BREAKDOWN OF INCIDENTS

2,003 Department responses	= 100%
1,484 Medical	= 74%
408 Special Duty	= 20%
52 First Alarm	= 3%
53 Still Alarm	= 3%
5 Mutual Aid	= < 1%

BREAKDOWN OF RESPONSE TIMES

Station 11	= 3.93 minutes
Station 12	= 4.98 minutes
Department average	= 4.47 minutes



FIRE LOSS DATA

(for 15 structure fires (20%) out of 76 fire responses)

Fire Object value ... = \$ 2,245,500
Fire Object loss = \$ 307,700
Fire Object loss as a percentage of Fire Object value = 14%

Content value of Fire Object ... = \$ 634,950
Content loss = \$ 73,100
Content loss as a percentage of Content value = 12%

Structure value ... = \$ 2,015,000
Structure loss..... = \$ 304,600
Structure value as a percentage of Fire Object value = 90%
Structure loss as a percentage of Fire Object loss = 99%

Total value (Fire Object + Content) ... = \$ 2,880,450
Total loss (Fire Object + Content) = \$ 380,800
Total loss as a percentage of Total value = 13%

HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Developed an area wide 1st and 2nd alarm resource response model that will facilitate improved fire service response to emergencies in northern Gila County.
- ✓ Joined the Arizona State Fire Service Mutual Aid System.
- ✓ Acquired and put in service a new fire engine to replace an outdated apparatus.
- ✓ Assisted with the installation of two water tanks in the Round Valley/Oxbow Fire District to improve firefighting capability there.
- ✓ Received \$83,000 from the Assistance to Firefighters Grant program to purchase personnel protective equipment and install a vehicle exhaust system at fire station 12.