



# ONE ALBUQUE RQUE

## **SIGNIFICANT** EVENTS

6/5 - <u>Residential Fire</u>: AFR responded to a residence on the 9300 block of Agusta Av NE in fire district 16 for reports of a house fire. Crews found a two story home with smoke and flame showing and initiated an aggressive attack in the offensive strategy and quickly extinguished it before the fire progressed to the rest of the home.

6/9 - <u>Swift Water Rescue</u>: AFR crews were dispatched to the intersection of Bridge and 8th St SW in fire district 1 for reports of trapped victims in the river. Two people were stranded on tree branches in rushing water and needed help getting to safety. With the help of APD and AFR crews, the victims were successfully reached and taken to safety unharmed.

6/11 - <u>Commercial Fire</u>: AFR responded to a commercial recycling plant near Edith and Comanche in fire district 6 for reports of a possible warehouse fire. Crews found a large outside fire of recycling contents and were able to extinguish the fire before it could reach the structure.

6/11 - <u>Wildland Fire</u>: AFR was dispatched to the open space area near Spain and the foothills for reports of a brush fire in fire district 16. The fire was successfully contained by multiple resources including AFR, BCFD, NMSF, Corrales FD, and US Forest Service. Approximately 50 acres were burned and did not affect any of the nearby homes.

6/14 - <u>Residential Fire</u>: AFR was dispatched to a two story home on the 400 block of Anderson Av SE in fire district 2 for reports of smoke and flames. No other info available.

6/14 - <u>Residential Fire</u>: AFR responded to a residence in fire district 20 on the 7900 block of Potomac Ct NE. Units arrived on scene to find a room and contents fire and quickly extinguished it before it could spread.

6/14 - <u>Commercial Fire</u>: Crews were dispatched to the 6400 Block Gibson SE in fire district 11 for reports of a commercial structure fire. AFR crews arrived on scene to find flame showing from the roof. Crews were able to extinguish the fire and contain it to the roof.

6/14 - <u>Wildland Fire</u>: AFR responded to the area of Central and Rio Grande for reports of a brush fire in fire district 7. Crews including the Wildland Task Force were able to coordinate a plan and extinguished the fire that

affected one acre of land along the bike path and were able to prevent the fire from reaching nearby structures.

6/15 - <u>Residential Fire</u>: AFR responded to the 2700 block of Campbell Rd NW in fire district 10 for reports of mobile home fire. Crews contained the fire to the room of origin.

6/15 - <u>Residential Fire</u>: AFR responded to the 1000 block of Florida SW in fire district 11 for reports of a house fire. A man had apparently ignited a shed on fire and ran into the nearby home and started a room and contents fire. Crews quickly rescued the man from a window and extinguished the fire. The victim suffered moderate smoke inhalation and was transported to the ER.

6/17 - <u>Residential Fire</u>: AFR responded to the 400 block of Rhode Island SE in fire district 5 for reports of a possible duplex fire. On arrival, an outside storage structure was on fire but quickly extinguished.

6/24 - <u>Apartment Fire</u>: Crews were dispatched to the 200 block of Charleston St NE fire district 5 for reports of a residential fire. AFR crews were able to extinguish a fire in one of the 16 apartments before it spread. The occupants were safe but displaced and two cats were saved in the process.

6/24 - <u>Foothill Rescue</u>: AFR was dispatched to the Lisa Piedra trail in fire district 16 for a hiker that sustained minor injuries and could not hike any further. The patient was transported down in a litter wheel stokes basket with the help of AFR HTR members.

6/26 - <u>Outside Fire</u>: AFR responded to the 5000 block of Guadalupe Tr NW in fire district 6 for reports of a brush fire. Crews arrived to find a shed fire threatening two nearby structures and were able to contain it before further damage occurred.

6/27 - <u>MVA</u>: A motor vehicle accident was reported near I-40 WB and the Rio Grande River in fire district 10. AFR and AAS crews arrived to find two vehicles that sustained major damage. Two occupants were considered critical and five other minor. All were transported to UNMH ER for treatment.

6/27- <u>Residential Fire</u>: AFR responded to the 700 block of Alvarado SE in fire district 11 for reports of flames from the roof. AFR crews had the fire out in minutes and determined the home to be abandoned.



- AFR and APD used the Air Boat to rescue two adults that were stranded on branches in the Rio Grande river after their raft was punctured.
- 3. AFR worked with multiple agencies to extinguish a brushfire that burned approximately 50 acres near the Michael Emery trailhead in the High Desert neighborhood.
- 2. AFR responded to an MVA on I-40 WB that critically injured two people and left five others with minor injuries.
- 4. AFR station 22 responded to a vehicle fire at Volcano Vista H.S. that also damaged two other vehicles.

## COMMUNITY RISK REDUCTION BUILDING A SAFER COMMUNITY THROUGH EDUCATION

AFR STATION 4 VISITED A SUMMER CAMP AT

**ESCUELA DEL SOL** 

MONTESSORI SCHOOL TO

**DISPLAY THE TRUCKS AND** 

TALK ABOUT FIRE SAFETY.

#### JUNE BY THE NUMBERS

37

4

8

STATION TOURS SHOW AND TELLS EVENT STANDBY FMO FIRE SAFETY & EXTINGUISHER CLASSES RISK ASSESSMENTS STOP THE BLEED TRAINING COURSES AFR HAD 10 SHOW AND TELL EVENTS, 12 STATION TOURS, AND 15 EVENT STANDBYS

**35** 1770 PEOPLE TRAINED INCLUDING 380 KIDS AND 3 EVACUATIONS PERFORMED

663 CITIZENS ENGAGED INCLUDING 2 HEALTHCARE OFFICES, CITY PARKS AND REC PINO YARDS, AND 1 CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER 353 PEOPLE TAUGHT INCLUDING EMPLOYEES

353 PEOPLE TAUGHT INCLUDING EMPLOYEES FROM METRO COURT, STATE DHSEM, NM MUTUAL, AND MADD

## IN THE COMMUNITY

- AFR station 11 hosted a station tour for kids from Altura Prep Elementary school.
- Station 9 helped a mother deliver her baby inside of the minivan she was in when the family stopped to ask for help.
- 3. Driver Tiffany Johnson helped rescue a feline during a residential house fire in the Tanoan community.
- 4. AFR crews participated in helping cheer on athletes in the 2019 Special Olympics Summer Games.
- 5. Lt. Donovan Jacks coordinated the 3rd annual NM Fire Muster at Civic Plaza.
- Members of Operation Gratitude visited the AFR Training Academy to thank first responders and deliver care bags to all members of AFR.
- AFR helped welcome the Veterans Honor Flight hosted by the Blue Star Mothers and Gold Star Families of America at the Albuquerque International Sunport.











## RANING | PUBLIC SAFETY







- 1. AFR crews train on the last day of Flood Channel Rescue Training for the year.
- AFR units E1, R1, L1, E4, and B1 training for above ground and sub-level parking structure fires at Civic Plaza.
- AFR Wildland and HTR members staffed the REM Team and were deployed to help with the Elk Fire in the Gila National Forest to provide ALS EMS and be available for firefighter extrication.

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## ALBUQUERQUE FIRE RESCUE FACES OF AFR



### ΜΑΧ ΜΟΥΑ

Faces of AFR is proud to introduce Suppression Driver Max Moya. Max has been a member of AFR since 2004 and graduated from the 67th Cadet Class. Max began his career at Station 15 and was promoted to Driver in 2009. Max spent 2 years as a dispatcher in AFR's Alarm room, then was assigned to Stations 20 and Station 2. He is currently assigned as the Driver of Engine 1 which serves the Downtown area. Max has been a dedicated member of AFR and is definitely a master of his craft as a Suppression Driver. Max takes great pride in keeping his truck in tip top working condition, often going above and beyond in the small minute details to ensure it not only looks good, but performs flawlessly on fire scenes. In September of 2016 Max was diagnosed with Testicular cancer and underwent two surgeries later that year. He underwent 10 weeks of Chemotherapy in January of 2017 and was back to full duty in April the same year. He has been in remission for 2 years and came back with the same strong work ethic and positive attitude. Max was the first firefighter from AFR to receive workers compensation under the new Presumptive Cause, which covers firefighters being diagnosed with job related cancers. He is a priceless asset to our department and we are thankful to have him back and healthy. Thank you Driver Max Moya for your commitment to AFR and the community.

## RETIREMENTS



#### **BRIAN WESTER**

AFR is proud to announce the retirement of Paramedic Driver Brian Wester. Brian began his career in 1998 and was a member of the 59th Cadet Class. Prior to joining AFR, Brian began his EMS career by working with Albuquerque Ambulance and had obtained his Paramedic License. Early on in Brian's AFR career he was assigned to Station 11 then after being promoted to Driver in 2001, he spent 4 years assigned to Station 16. Brian was then assigned to Station 20 where he has been a dedicated member of AFR serving the Albuquerque's NE Heights. Thank you Paramedic Driver Brian Wester for your dedicated service to AFR and the community! Congratulations in your retirement and good luck in your future endeavors.

## ALBUQUERQUE FIRE RFS 4TH OF JULY MESSAGE

#### FIREWORKS AND OPEN SPACE PATROLS

It is no surprise that this is a busy time of year for any fire department. The high temperatures combined with the careless use of fireworks is a challenge for every community – including Albuquerque. Last year Albuquerque Fire Rescue responded to two Bosque fires, two structure fires, and two vehicle fires, 47 outside fires, and 350 EMS calls in a single 24-hour period on the 4th of July. In addition to these calls, we provided both Fire and EMS coverage for the Isotopes baseball game and the Freedom 4th Celebration at Balloon Fiesta Park. This year, we enhanced our public education campaign regarding the use of fireworks, once again teamed up with APD to improve our response to illegal fireworks and upgraded our patrols of the Bosque and open space areas. Our Fire Marshal Office has also worked diligently to prepare for the increased workload that comes with the inspection and sales of fireworks.

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#### **FIRE RESTRICTIONS**

Throughout the year, Albuquerque Open Space areas are ALWAYS in Stage I Fire Restrictions.

#### Stage I Restrictions:

The following activities are prohibited in Open Space areas as defined herein while Stage I restrictions are in effect:

Building, maintaining, attending or using a fire, open flame, campfire or stove fire except within a developed recreation site.

Smoking, except within an enclosed vehicle.

Possessing, discharging or using any kind of fireworks or other pyrotechnic devices.

Possessing or operating a motor vehicle off any publicly designated roadway, except when parking in developed parking lots or at developed trailheads unless otherwise authorized by a recognized government agency having such authority.

#### Stage II Restrictions:

The following activities are prohibited in Open Space areas as defined herein while Stage II restrictions are in effect:

Building, maintaining, attending or using a fire, open flame, campfire or stove fire.

Smoking.

Possessing, discharging or using any kind of fireworks or other pyrotechnic device.

Possessing or using a motor vehicle off any publicly designated roadways, except when parking in developed parking lots or at developed trailheads.

Operating a chainsaw or other equipment powered by an internal combustion engine.

Operating any piece of spark-emitting equipment.

Operating any internal or external combustion engine.

Welding, or operating an acetylene or other torch with an open flame.

Camping or overnight stay.

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#### Stage III Restrictions - CLOSURE:

While Stage III closure is in effect for any or all open space areas as defined herein, it shall be prohibited to enter or be upon the restricted area. Anyone found violating these restrictions is subject to a fine of up to \$500.00 and/or 90 days in jail.

### FIREWORKS SALES & USE

The sale and use of fireworks in the State of New Mexico is regulated by the State's "Fireworks Licensing and Safety Act," Chapter 60-2C-8.1 NMSA and City Ordinance. The State statute expressly removed from municipalities their general authority to regulate fireworks and replaced it with limited authority to regulate the use of "aerial" and "ground audible devices."

The City of Albuquerque Fire Code prohibits the possession, sale, or use of all aerial and ground audible devices within the city limits. Permissible fireworks should only be used on paved surfaces or barren areas. A water source should be readily accessible at all times by persons choosing to utilize legal fireworks. By law, all fireworks are required to have warning labels. A general rule of thumb as to whether fireworks are aerial devices, ground audible devices or permissible fireworks is to examine the labels on each device: "WARNING" - Illegal in the City of Albuquerque "CAUTION" - Legal and therefore permissible within city limits.

No person may sell permissible fireworks unless the appropriate permit has been attained from the Fire Marshal's Office. Application for permits is required at least fourteen (14) days prior to the date of sales. Permits are required to be posted onsite for inspection at all times.

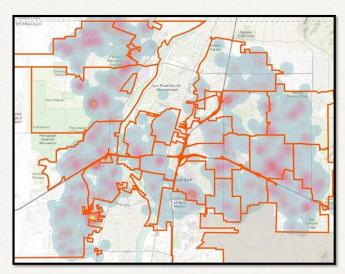
Any person violating any provision of the Fire Code shall be subject to Citation or Criminal Complaint. Upon conviction, each violation can be punishable by a fine of not more than five hundred dollars (\$500) and/or imprisonment for not more than (90) days.

### **REPORTING ILLEGAL FIREWORKS**

AFR recommends that all illegal fireworks be reported via the "One ABQ App", this is available as a free download on all smart devices. The public may also report illegal fireworks by calling 311 or 244-FIRE (AFRs new non-emergency phone line). Please do not call 911 to report illegal fireworks. AFR will push this information out to media outlets and through our own social media, so the public understands our expectations.

### AFR Normal Response to Illegal Fireworks

All reports of illegal fireworks will generate an e-mail received by AFR personnel assigned to the Alarm Room. AFR will not dispatch an apparatus to respond to every isolated report of illegal fireworks, as this is not an appropriate use of our resources. However, each report of illegal fireworks we receive is imported to a mapping system which we use to identify concentrated areas of illegal fireworks activity. This map refreshes every fifteen minutes and helps us dispatch apparatus accordingly.



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## ALBUQUERQUE FIRE RESCUE

Both APD and AFR will once again team up to respond to illegal fireworks on the night of the 4<sup>th</sup> of July. Fireworks Enforcement Units (FEUs) will be made up of one FMO Inspector and one APD Officer. FEUs will report to FMO on July 4th at 1800 hours to be assigned response districts by the Fire Marshal. The FEU's primary objectives are public education, inspection of firework vendors and responding to reports of illegal fireworks, as dispatched by the FMO Command Post. The FEUs will be utilizing the APD Officers vehicle. Arson personnel will also be available upon request.

The FMO Command Post will be located at the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) and will be responsible for monitoring the AFR FMO channel, dispatching all illegal firework calls and conducting Personnel Accountability Reports (PARs) every 30 minutes throughout the assigned enforcement period. AFR will also staff four additional wildland apparatus on July 4th. These Brush Trucks will conduct patrols in and around the Bosque, Foothills, and West Mesa areas. Also, on the weekend following the 4th of July holiday; two wildland apparatus will be staffed to conduct patrols.

AFR will be providing units for both the Freedom 4th Celebration at Balloon Fiesta Park as well as the Isotopes baseball game scheduled on July 4th. These units/ personnel will provide stand-by for fireworks suppression and EMS services for the public in attendance.

### **AFR OPEN SPACE PATROLS**

Albuquerque Fire Rescue began Level I Open Space Patrols on May 25, 2019. These patrols consist of a dedicated wildland apparatus being available and pre-positioned in our Open Space lands in the event there is a wildfire. These dedicated apparatus will able to respond quickly and contain these fires before they gain in intensity. Level II Open Space Patrols may be enacted, as necessary, to increase the dedicated number of units to two.

#### Level I Patrols

AFR has one Brush Truck on patrol daily from 1200-1930 assigned to patrol 37,000 acres of open space lands with the City of Albuquerque to include the Foothills, West Mesa, and the Bosque.

#### Level II Patrols

Same as Level I Patrols with the addition of one more Brush Truck that may be added during extreme conditions, coordinated by Wildland Coordinator and Deputy Chief of Operations.

#### Wildland Specialty Stations

Strategically and geographically located to provide rapid response and initial attack on wildland incidents. -Station 1 – 724 Silver SW 87102 -Station 10 – 2841 Rio Grande NW 87107 -Station 16 – 4727 Juan Tabo NE 87111 -Station 17 – 3630 Yucca NW 87120 -Station 22 – 10005 Lyons NW 87114

## WE HOPE EVERYONE HAS A SAFE AND HAPPY 4TH OF JULY HOLIDAY!

## ALBUQUERQUE FIRE RESCUE FIRE CHIEF'S MONTHLY REPORT

FIRE CHIEF PAUL W. DOW

JUNE 2019

#### LIFESAVER TRAINING

Albuquerque Fire Rescue developed a short two-hour training session called *Lifesaver* training that teaches civilians simple life-saving interventions for conditions that cause death within minutes. These skills include hands-only CPR, Automated External Defibrillation (AED) use, hemorrhage control, and naloxone administration. This hands-on format allows everyone to learn these techniques, and by the end of the class they can perform them confidently. Many of our community members reported feeling empowered by their new skill set.

We began teaching these skills to APD officers in 2013, and since then, have provided the training to each new cadet class. Law enforcement officers have been trained in naloxone administration for a couple of years now. However, this skill was recently added to the civilian curriculum due to the increased availability of this medication. Several private schools have participated in this training as well as many businesses and organizations. This year alone, AFR has instructed over 500 civilians in Lifesaver training. In June we completed training for Metro Court's 300 employees and 26 employees at the NM Department of Homeland Security & Emergency Management.

## FIRE MARSHAL'S OFFICE (FMO)

Albuquerque Fire Rescue Fire Marshal's office will be going paperless. Over the last few months, FMO staff have been working with the software company, Image Trend, to build out a new building inspections program. Our inspectors will be capable of completing a more thorough and detailed inspection and then sharing the information with the building owner immediately. Business owners will receive permits via email, for a more secure method of delivery and inspections may be automatically scheduled. This program will not only improve the efficiency of the office, by decreasing the amount of paper used, it will enhance our record-keeping capabilities.

## SAFETY STAND DOWN

The Annual Safety Stand Down is a joint initiative of the International Association of Fire Chiefs and the National Volunteer Fire Council. The event focuses on the critical importance of responders taking care of themselves both on and off the emergency incident scene. An entire week is provided to ensure all shifts and duty crews can participate. Please visit <a href="https://www.safetystanddown.org/">https://www.safetystanddown.org/</a> to see what the Safety Stand Down is.

This year's theme is REDUCE YOUR EXPOSURE: IT'S EVERYONES RESPONSIBILITY. Cancer is one of the most serious threats facing firefighters, and has recently been identified as the number one killer of firefighters nationwide; but there are specific actions we can take to lessen the risks to ourselves and our crews.

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## ALBUQUERQUE FIRE RESCUE FIRE CHIEF'S MONTHLY REPORT

FIRE CHIEF PAUL W. DOW

JUNE 2019

The following ten actions have been identified as actions the members of Albuquerque Fire Rescue can take to reduce our exposure to cancer-causing byproducts of combustion:

Use your SCBA for entire incident, including overhaul.

Perform Post Fire Gross Decontamination after every fire.

Utilize the Hood Exchange Program after every fire.

Use wipes while still on scene to remove as much contaminate as possible.

"Shower within the hour" and change into clean uniform clothes.

Wash dirty uniform at station if possible or at least do not wash in same cycle with non-uniform clothes, keep dirty uniforms in a bag until cleaned.

NO PPE in Station!

Clean the inside of the cab after a fire.

Annual Physical- Provide the letters to your PCP that explain that as a firefighter you are at an increased risk for cancers.

#### Utilize Tobacco Cessation Resources.

Our department continues to explore ways to reduce the risk of cancer to our members, using industry-wide best practices. Thanks especially to AFR's Health and Safety Officer, Captain Craig Deal, for his work and leadership on this important issue.

Thank you,

### FIRE CHIEF PAUL W. DOW



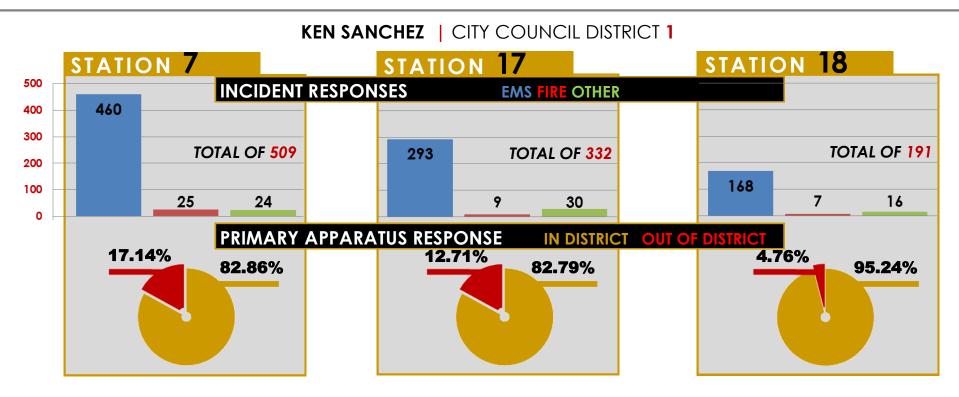


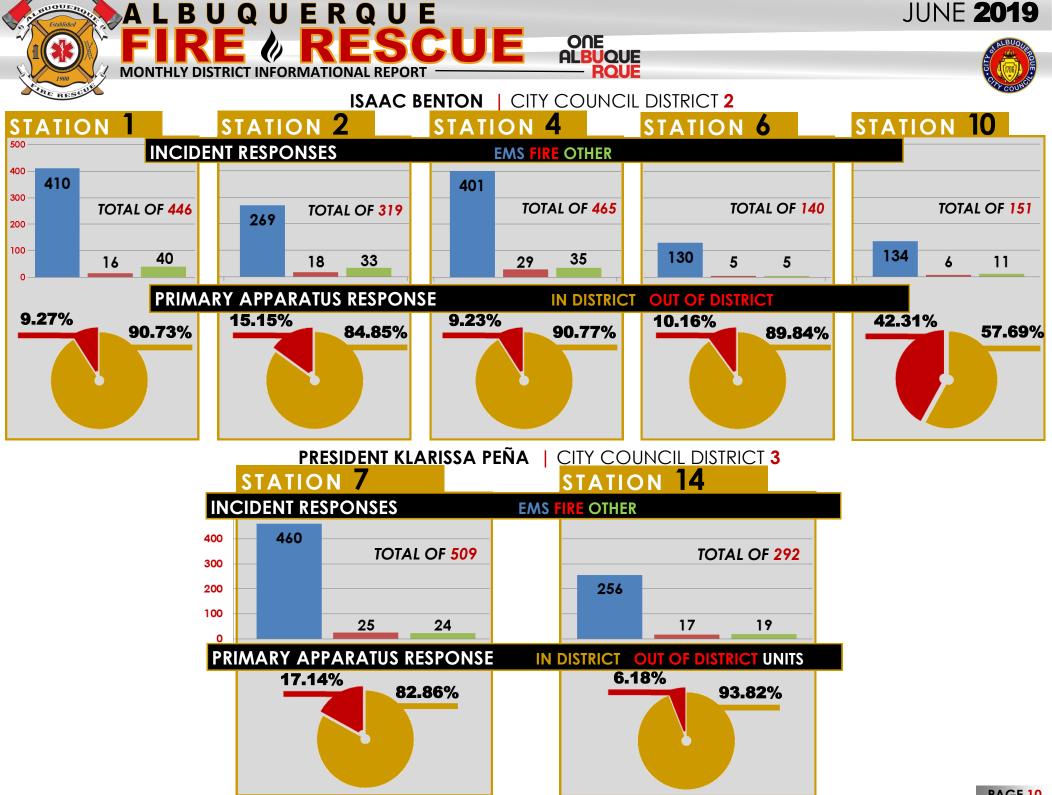


# CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT FIRE STATIONS

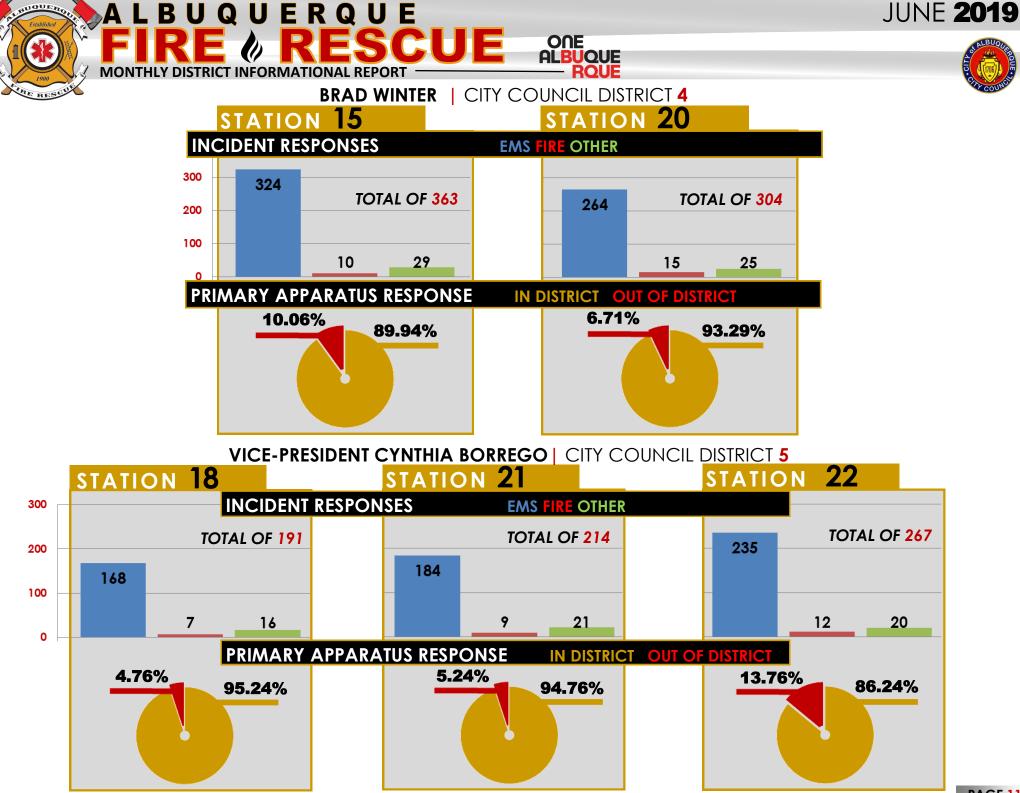
**INCIDENT RESPONSES** is the number of calls dispatched to a specific station in one of three categories; EMS, FIRE, and OTHER. The total incident responses is the sum of the three categories and not to be confused with the sum of specific apparatus calls. One response may include more than one apparatus. For example: Engine 13, Rescue 13 and Ladder 13 may respond to the same call but will be counted as 1 incident. The next dispatch might only assign Rescue 13 and will be counted as 1 incident. Therefore, the total incident number will be less than the sum of all apparatus calls for the month.

<u>PRIMARY APPARATUS RESPONSE</u> is the amount of calls taken in a specific fire district by that station's apparatus and is represented as the IN DISTRICT percentage (a fire district is defined by the number of the fire station and has a fixed geographical boundary). There are times when the in district apparatus is unavailable and an out of district apparatus must be dispatched, represented by OUT OF DISTRICT percentage. For example, Station 7 responded to 84.60% of the calls located in fire district 7.





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