

Chief's Message

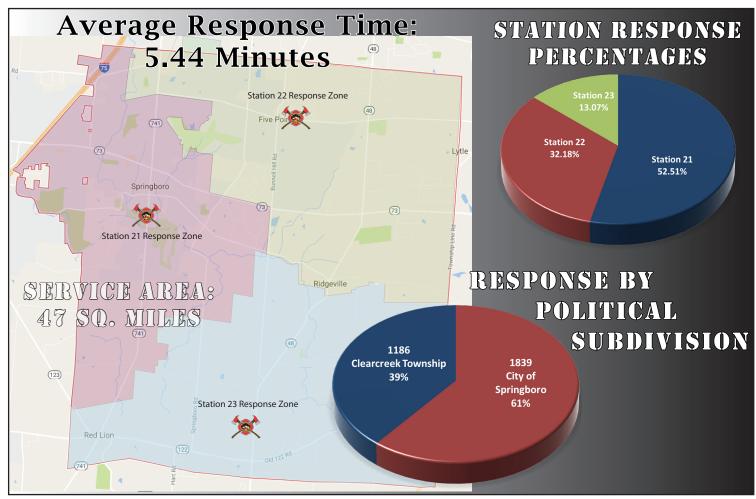
It is my pleasure to present the Clearcreek Fire District's 2017 annual report on behalf of the outstanding personnel dedicated to protecting the lives and property within Clearcreek Township and the City of Springboro. We are very proud of what we do and want to share how we performed throughout the year by providing some vital



statistics and major accomplishments that helped us achieve our mission. The information contained in this report is a direct reflection of the hardworking professionals who proudly serve the Clearcreek Fire District community. It is through their efforts and dedication that the department had a successful and productive year.

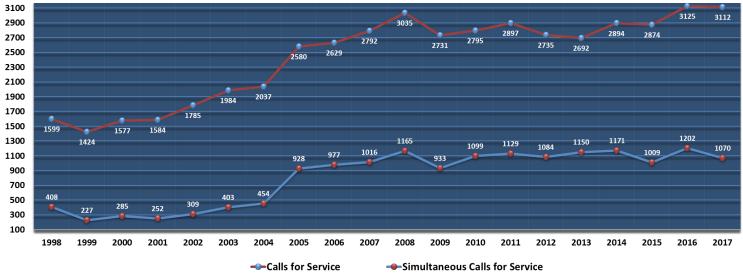
Our signature accomplishment for 2017 was the completion of our strategic plan. The process involved both members from our department and external, community stakeholders. The external stakeholders included elected officials, members of the business community, along with city, township, and school district administrators. This plan provides a sense of direction and outlines measurable goals for guiding day-to-day decisions and evaluating progress and approaches as we move the organization forward. Additionally, 2017 was our first year as an all full-time department. Because of this, we improved organizational efficiency, focused on professional development, and produced a competency-based training program, allowing us to progress and grow the organization as a whole.

Clearcreek Township and the City of Springboro constantly strive to maintain high levels of service and ensure the best quality of life for all citizens. The Clearcreek Fire District is a key component in the efforts to provide a safe community for residents, visitors, and businesses. Our staff members accept and embrace their roles and continue to prepare for not only the current day-to-day challenges, but also the ones on the horizon. It is my distinct honor and privilege to lead a progressive, customer-driven department that constantly works hard to meet the needs of its community. In conclusion, I want to thank our elected officials, administrators, staff, and the citizens for their continued support. I encourage you to contact us if you have any questions or suggestions on how we can improve our services to you.



Community Response

19-YEAR SERVICE TREND



Population: 32,518*

Households: 11,052**

FY 2017 Revenue: \$5,995,143 Service Area: 47 sq. miles FY 2017 Reserve Funds Utilized: \$278,176

FY 2017 Budget: \$7,815,000

FY 2017 Expenses: \$6,273,319

*US Census Bureau 2016 estimate for Clearcreek Township & City of Springboro combined **US Census Bureau 2015 estimate for Clearcreek Townhship & City of Springboro combined

TOTAL POTENTIAL PROPERTY LOSS	\$12,360,852.00	N CALLS BY SERVICE	Non-Priority 278 Fire/Rescue 665
TOTAL PROPERTY LOSS AS A RESULT OF FIRE	\$1,843,412.00		
TOTAL PROPERTY SAVED FROM FIRE DAMAGE	\$10,517,440.00	Түре	EMS
*Total Potential Property Loss is estimated from the property value prior to fire damage. Total Property Saved from Fire Damage is the amount of Property Loss as a result of Fire subtracted from the total estimated property value.			
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Fire Prevention & District Engagement

Public Education Events

Residents of the community often request our presence at many different types of events, including school visits, festivals, block parties, and birthday parties. Scout and youth groups are also welcome to visit the fire station for tours and safety presentations.

Firefighters attended the annual Springboro Business Expo on March 18, 2017, to distribute fire and life safety brochures and answer questions. Sparky the Fire Dog also attended to teach children and their parents about the Clearcreek Fire District. Firefighters provided fire extinguisher training and also featured special programs including blood pressure checks and the Rural Address Locater signs.

On August 1, 2017, we supported the Clearcreek Police Department in hosting "National Night Out". This annual event, held at Patricia Allyn Park, focuses on bringing the community together for crime prevention and learning more about township services. Firefighters provided tours of the apparatus, answered questions, and provided fire safety information. Firefighters also held a mock auto extrication where they simulated a patient being cut out of a crashed vehicle.





Station 21 hosted approximately 250 people at the annual Clearcreek Fire District open house on October 1, 2017. Activities included a vehicle extrication demonstration, a kid's agility course, Miami Valley Hospital's CareFlight medical helicopter, a visit from Sparky the Fire Dog, and a live burn demonstration.

Commercial Safety Inspections

The Fire and Life Safety Inspection program focuses on collaborating with business owners to ensure the safety of their employees, customers, and property.

Residential Safety Inspections

Any family wishing to foster or adopt a child must undergo a fire safety inspection in their home. These inspections help identify and eliminate common fire hazards.

Pre-Incident Planning

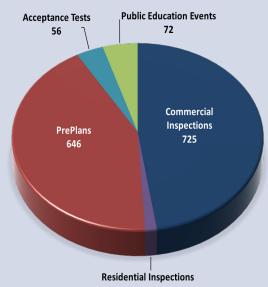
Pre-Incident Plans (Preplans) contain information, such as a structural diagrams, allowing crews to anticipate the interior layout of a building prior to performing search and rescue operations. Preplans enable the fire officer's safe and effective tactical decisions.

New Construction Plans Review

and Acceptance Testing

The Clearcreek Fire District works diligently to ensure that new buildings constructed within the response district are in accordance with the governing codes. Our prevention officers work with local building, zoning, and planning commission officials to review and test fire safety equipment in new construction.

2017 PREVENTION DATA



Significant Accomplishments

- Highest employee retention rate in CCFD recent history
- Conducted interviews, assessments, and announced appointments for four full-time Firefighter/EMT positions
- Produced a competency-based training program, creating organization-wide progress and growth
- Completed our first year as an all full-time department
- Power Cot Committee completed assessments and the bidding process for new power-cots funded by the Assistance to Firefighter's Grant
- In conjunction with Warren County Communications, completed major upgrades to the electronic patient care reporting software
- Completed the transition to a new medical billing company and updated EMS billing policies
- Completed negotiations for a three-year collective bargaining agreement with Clearcreek Professional Firefighters Local 4207
- Completed the Strategic Plan to provide departmental direction and measurable goals

Thank you to the following community representatives for your assistance with the Strategic Plan:

Representing the Community:

- Carol Hughes, Chamber of Commerce
- David Thompson, Coffman YMCA
- Jeff Kirby, Judge, Domestic Relations Court

Representing Clearcreek Fire District:

- Tim Simpson , Assistant Fire Chief
- Steve Cox, Captain
- Kent Clary, Captain
- Josh Scott, Captain
- Larry Carman, Lieutenant
- Justin Buehler, Lieutenant
- Sam Long, Lieutenant
- Todd Wilson, Firefighter/Paramedic
- Matt Walker, Firefighter/Paramedic
- Adam Stafford, Clearcreek Professional Firefighters

Representing Clearcreek Township:

- Ed Wade, Township Trustee
- Steve Muterspaw, Township Trustee
- Matt Clark, Township Administrator
- John Terrill, Clearcreek Township Chief of Police

Representing the City of Springboro:

- Jim Chmiel, Springboro City Council
- Chris Thompson, Springboro City Manager
- Chris Pozzuto, Assistant City Manager
- Jeff Kruithoff, Springboro Chief of Police

Representing Springboro Commmunity Schools:

Dan Schroer, Superintendent



Training

All uniformed personnel must maintain the following certifications:

- Firefighter II
- Fire Safety Inspector
- Paramedic and/or EMT
- Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation
- Advanced Cardiac Life Support

The Clearcreek Fire District recognizes that continued training and education of our employees is paramount to meet and/or exceed our mission. The 2017 Training Program accomplished the following:

- Create Fire/EMS Core Competencies to provide consistent training, accountability, and feedback.
- Managed State of Ohio Continuing Education site renewal audit.
- Increase external training and education.
- Orientation of seven new employees.
- Implemented Surgical Crichothyrotomy.
- Limited crews from leaving their district for training.

During 2017, the Training Division incorporated a new life saving skill to its operations, Surgical Crichothyrotomy. Approved by the department Medical Director, this skill is optional within the Greater Miami Valley EMS protocols. Initial training included both comprehensive classroom and practical skill sessions. Our overall training program exceeded the State of Ohio's continuing education requirements for Fire, EMS, and Fire Inspector certifications.

During 2017, each employee completed **164 hours** of documented trainings.

Each Shift Training ranged from one to four hours in length and established a higher level of expectation among all operation personnel.



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