

## Chief's Message

On behalf of the outstanding members dedicated to protecting the lives and property within Clearcreek Township and the City of Springboro, it is my pleasure to present the Clearcreek Fire District's 2021 annual report. We are very proud of what we do and want to share how we performed last year by providing some vital statistics and major accomplishments that helped us achieve our mission.

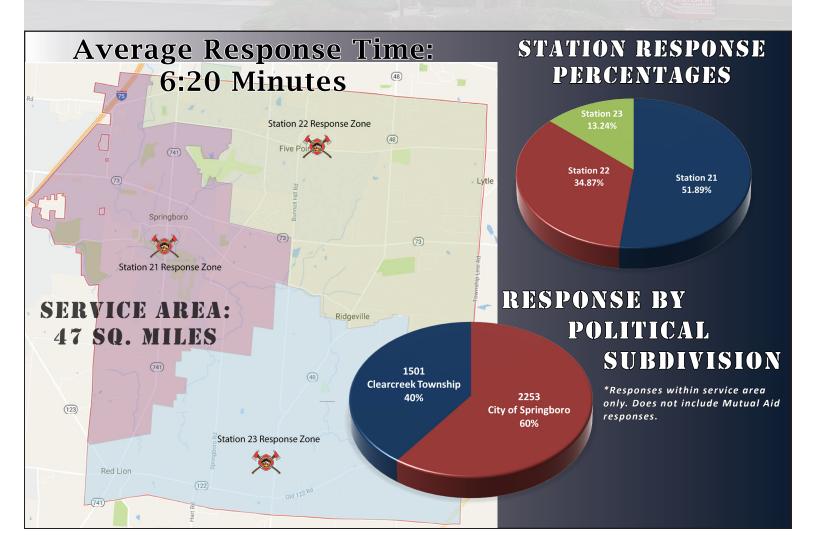


The information contained in this report is a direct reflection of the hardworking professionals who proudly serve our community. It is through their efforts and dedication that the department had a successful and productive year.

Last year was another busy year for the Fire District, both operationally and administratively. We responded to a record number of calls for service, promoted staff members, hired additional staff, and made several significant capital purchases, all during a global pandemic. Residents often ask about working for an emergency response organization during a global pandemic. My answer is, it takes a challenging job and makes everything about it harder. With that said, I am extremely proud of our personnel and how they continually handle adversity.

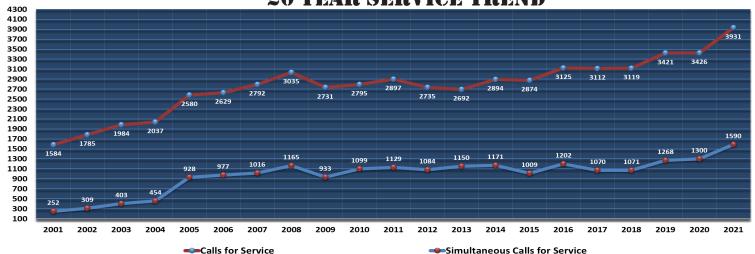
Clearcreek Township and the City of Springboro constantly strive to maintain high levels of service to ensure the best quality of life for everyone. The Clearcreek Fire District is a key component in the efforts to provide a safe community for its residents, visitors, and businesses. Our members accept 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. Lastly, I offer a heartfelt thank you to our elected officials, administrators, staff, and citizens for their continued support. I encourage you to contact me if you have any questions or suggestions on how we can improve our services to you.

Steve Agenbroad
FIRE CHIEF



## **Community Response**











TOTAL POTENTIAL
PROPERTY LOSS

TOTAL PROPERTY LOSS AS
A RESULT OF FIRE

TOTAL PROPERTY SAVED
FROM FIRE DAMAGE

\$28,598,983

\$826,112

\$27,772,780

CALLS BY SERVICE TYPE Public Service 346 Fire/Rescue 715

Emergency Medical 2870

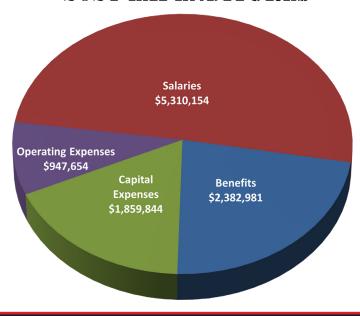






## **Budget & Finance**

#### 2021 EXPENDITURES



The Fire District's 2021 budget totaled \$11,455,788 and consists of four parts; salaries, benefits, capital expenses, and general operating expenses. Salaries made up the largest percentage of the budget totaling \$5,310,154 (46%), with employee benefits accounting for \$2,382,981 (21%), capital expenses consisted of \$1,859,844 (16%), and general operating costs totaling \$947,654 (8%).

Our general operating costs are utilized to operate, repair, and maintain three fire stations, and a fleet of twenty emergency apparatus and vehicles, utilities, training, and the purchase of other miscellaneous equipment and supplies. Through fiscally sound management practices, we only spent 92% of our appropriated funds in 2021, coming in at \$955,155 (8%) under budget.

## **Training**

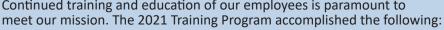
All uniformed personnel maintain the following certifications:

- Firefighter II
- Paramedic or EMT
- Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation
- **Advanced Cardiac Life Support**

During 2021, employees completed 9,305 hours of documented trainings.

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

Continued training and education of our employees is paramount to





Fire Inspector Training - Monthly

acting officers - Monthly

- Fire Apparatus Operator Annually
- Aerial Tower Operator Annually
- Hazardous Materials Training Annually
- Complete 16 hours of training each month to maintain Ohio Fire and EMS Certification and ISO standards.

Our firefighters continued to have an exceptional year of professional development through external training offerings. Many firefighters gained additional development through both local and out of states courses as well as online/virtual courses. The training division approved 77 training requests for external training and/ or educational courses.





# Community Risk Reduction & District Engagement

#### **Public Education Events**

Residents of the community often request our presence at different types of events, including school visits, festivals, block parties, and birthday parties. We were pleased to resume these events in 2021 with continued observance of public health safety measures.

On June 5, 2021, Lieutenant Carman attended the annual Springboro Business Expo to distribute fire and life safety brochures and answer questions.

On August 3, 2021, 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 400 people at the annual Clearcreek Fire District Open House on October 3, 2021. Activities included a vehicle extrication demonstration, a kid's agility course, and a visit from Sparky the Fire Dog. This event is always held on the first Sunday in October.







### **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.

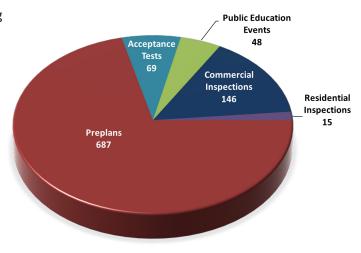
### **Residential Safety Inspections**

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. We provide in-home fire safety inspections for any citizen who requests one.

#### **Pre-Incident Planning**

Pre-Incident Plans contain information, such as structural diagrams, allowing crews to anticipate the interior layout of a building prior to performing search and rescue operations. These plans enable the fire officers to make safe and effective tactical decisions.

#### 2021 PREVENTION DATA



#### **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 governing codes. Our prevention officers work with local building, zoning, and planning commission officials to review and test fire safety equipment during new construction.

## **Keeping the Promise**

Since passing the Fire Levy in 2020, we have been busy fulfilling our promises to our ever-growing community. We started with promoting Steve Cox and Nathan Urban to Assistant Chief. These positions allow us to delegate responsibilities for large-scale projects and creates a greater efficiency for our operations. Assistant Chief Cox's promotion left a Shift Captain vacancy which was filled by Justin Null when he earned the promotion to Captain in April. Ross Moffitt was promoted to Lieutenant, filling the vacancy created by Captain Null's promotion. Additionally, Eric Henry, Kyle Lalich, and Matt Lalich were promoted to Lieutenant. These lieutenants serve as EMS Supervisors with the primary responsibility of improving medical care for our community.





In our pursuit to provide quality service, we hired ten personnel in June. With our community growing quickly, these emergency responders are vital to managing the increased call volume and ease the overburdening of our entire staff. During the hiring process, we received 142 applications. The ten candidates hired in 2021 were the best of these applicants and continue to prove their professionalism and incredible skills daily.

In addition to fulfilling staffing needs, we began replacing outdated Fire and EMS apparatus. In October, we received delivery of a 2021 Ford F-550 Horton Ambulance that replaced a 2009 Horton/Freightliner ambulance. In April 2022, we expect delivery of an E-One EMAX Rescue Pumper, to replace a 1994 Pierce Saber engine and two Chevrolet Tahoe Special Service Vehicles, which will replace the current 2011 Battalion 21 vehicle and provide an emergency response vehicle for Chief 23. In the latter part of 2022, we hope to take delivery of an E-One EMAX Quint 78-foot Aerial Ladder, to replace a 2002 E-One Freightliner engine. This vehicle was ordered in March of 2021.

Finally, our crews researched, upgraded, and replaced some outdated equipment and are working on a web-based records management system to facilitate communication and increase accountability as an organization. This system helps track assets and increases the efficiency of service schedules for regular maintenance and repairs.

