

# ALBUQUERQUE FIRE RESCUE

## MONTHLY INFORMATIONAL REPORT



MARCH 2019

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### SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

**3/2 - Motorcycle MVA:** AFR responded to a motorcycle accident in fire district 15 near I-25 Frontage Road and San Antonio NE involving three total patients on two separate bikes. One victim died on scene.

**3/2 - MVA:** A vehicle entering the freeway caused a three car MVA resulting in a fatality from the vehicle rolling over and ejecting the passenger. AFR crews treated and transported the remaining victims. This occurred near I-40 and 6th St. NW in fire district 4.

**3/11 - Commercial Fire:** AFR crews responded to an outside fire near a commercial building on the 100 block of Aztec Rd. NE in fire district 6. The fire was difficult to access but quickly extinguished before the building could be involved.

**3/12 - Apartment Fire:** AFR was dispatched to the 400 block of Maple St. SE in fire district 3 for reports of smoke coming from one of the apartment units. On arrival, crews found the source and knocked it down with a water can. The occupant was treated for minor smoke inhalation.

**3/12 - Commercial Fire:** AFR was dispatched to fire district 12 near Central and Erbbe St NE for reports of a commercial structure fire. Crews found heavy smoke and flames showing from a single story abandoned structure and initiated a traditional attack on the fire. The building suffered extensive fire and smoke damage.

**3/16 - Apartment Fire:** AFR responded to a possible structure fire in fire district 1 on the 900 block of Tijeras NW. Units arrived on scene to find smoke and flames coming from a second story balcony. The fire was quickly extinguished and crews were able to contain the fire to the balcony.

**3/18 - Residential Fire:** Crews were dispatched to the 800 Block of San Pedro Dr SE for reports of a residential structure fire. AFR crews arrived on scene to find heavy smoke coming from the eaves and windows of the home. The source was found in the kitchen and extended to the garage and other parts of the home. Crews extinguished the fire before a total loss could occur and the homeowner had safely evacuated early in the event.

**3/18 - Commercial Fire:** AFR responded to the 1500 block of 4th St. NW in fire district 4 for a possible outside fire. Units arrived to find heavy smoke coming from a detached garage. The fire spread to a neighboring building that suffered minor fire damage. The fire was brought under control within an hour. The building of origin and several vehicles contained within suffered major fire damage.

**3/21 - Commercial Fire:** AFR responded to the 1800 block of Broadway Blvd. SE in fire district 2 for a vacant commercial building. Fire units arrived to find heavy smoke and flames coming from the building and began fighting the fire defensively. The building suffered major fire damage.

**3/24 - Residential Fire:** AFR and BCFD responded to a single family residence in fire district 14 on the 1500 block of Secret Valley Dr SW. Fire units arrived to find heavy smoke coming from a garage. There was one occupant in the home but was able to self evacuate. The fire was quickly extinguished using hand lines and contained to the garage.

### MARCH EVENTS

- ST. BALDRICK'S FUNDRAISER
- INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY
- AFR SHIFT BIDS
- NEW ENGINE 5 ARRIVES
- RETIREMENTS:  
SHANNON CRAWFORD  
LAYNE NAKASONE



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1. Station 4 responds to a unique motor vehicle accident on I-40. Fortunately no injuries were reported.
2. AFR Station 1 and Open Space members use an air boat to gain access to a small island in the Rio Grande near Central Ave. to extinguish a small fire before it spreads to the nearby Bosque brush.

3. AFR provided mutual aid to help combat a large Bosque fire near Belen that burned three homes and injured two firefighters. Approximately 140 acres were burned.
4. Station 5 received their new Ferrara Inferno Engine with funding from a grant that was submitted by Family and Community Services. A push-in ceremony was done with help from Mayor Tim Keller and Councilor Pat Davis.



### TOURS | SCHOOLS



Engine 12 visited Manzano Mesa Elementary for Career Day to discuss firefighting.

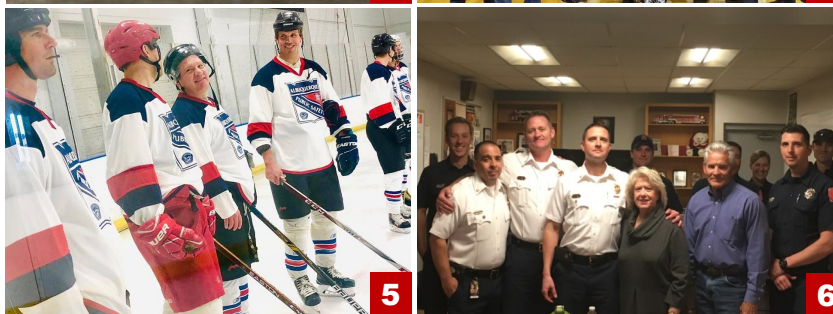
### MARCH BY THE NUMBERS

<b>STATION TOURS &amp; SHOW AND TELLS</b>	<b>4</b>	OVER 75 CHILDREN REACHED
<b>FMO FIRE SAFETY CLASSES</b>	<b>37</b>	2385 ADULTS AND 735 KIDS REACHED
<b>RISK ASSESSMENTS</b>	<b>5</b>	795 CITIZENS ENGAGED INCLUDING THE MAYOR'S OFFICE AND 4 COMMUNITY CENTERS
<b>STOP THE BLEED TRAINING</b>	<b>2</b>	56 "TRAIN THE TRAINERS" WERE TAUGHT INCLUDING 16 COA EMPLOYEES THAT LAUNCHED AN INITIATIVE TO TRAIN ALL CITY EMPLOYEES IN STOP THE BLEED

THIS MONTH, AFR HOSTED CNM AND UNM EMS ACADEMY STUDENTS ON RIDE-A-LONG PROGRAMS THAT HELP TRAIN THEM IN REAL LIFE EMERGENCIES UNDER THE GUIDANCE OF OUR FIRST RESPONDERS.

### IN THE COMMUNITY

1. For International Women's Day, March 8th, AFR recognized the women members that work within the department in both uniformed and civilian positions.
2. AFR and Albuquerque Ambulance crews were reunited with a cardiac patient that wanted to thank them for saving her life.
3. AFR Lt. Donovan Jacks coordinated a team to represent AFR at this year's St. Baldrick's Foundation fundraiser.
4. AFR Wildland Coordinator Lt. Brian Fox is working with NM State Forestry and Albuquerque Open Space to reduce fire hazards in the Bosque by removing non-native plant species and thinning high priority at-risk areas.
5. AFR Capt. Clint Wensley, Lt. Brian Barnes, Lt. Tony Chinchilla, and Lt. Andrew West participated in the Special Olympics of NM First Responders charity hockey game.
6. Councilors Brad Winter and Trudy Jones joins Fire Station 16 for a firehouse meal on March 11th.



### TRAINING | PUBLIC SAFETY



1. AFR Wildland Coordinator Lt. Brian Fox helps educate citizens living in wildland urban interface neighborhoods on the danger of wildland fires and how to stay prepared.
2. AFR FMO members receive the 2019 Team Service Award from NM DOT and Safer New Mexico Now for their dedication and support in providing trained personnel to fire stations for monthly car seat clinics.
3. AFR hosted a Promotion and Recognition Ceremony. This event allows for families and friends to participate in helping AFR recognize members advancing in their careers as well as other members that have gone above and beyond to serve the fire department and the citizens of Albuquerque.
4. Several AFR members attended the "Managing Disciplinary Challenges in the Fire Service" class provided by Chief Curt Varone at the AFR Training Academy.



# ALBUQUERQUE FIRE RESCUE FACES OF AFR



**EMILY JARAMILLO**

**Deputy Chief Emily Jaramillo** has been a member of AFR since 2005, was a member of the 71st Cadet Class and has a Bachelors Degree in English and Education. Emily was promoted to Deputy Chief of Emergency Services in 2018 and is the first female Deputy Chief of AFR. Emily currently oversees the HEART Program, Records Management Division, EMS Quality Assurance, the BLS Program, the SHARPS Program and the AFR Pharmacy. Emily began her career as a firefighter and was quickly promoted in 2008 to Rescue 1 as a Paramedic Driver. She was promoted to Lieutenant in 2013 as the Paramedic Lieutenant on Rescue 16. Emily served as the Professional Development Coordinator and was instrumental in helping that program succeed. In 2017 Emily was promoted to Captain and served at Station 14 until she was promoted to Deputy Chief. Emily has served on the Safety Committee helping to develop the first Cancer Prevention Initiative and flash good exchange program. She serves in the Peer Fitness Program to help assist our members to be compliant in the Presumptive Cause Initiative. Emily has received the prestigious IAFF Leadership Award in 2015, continues to be an amazing leader and played a vital role in the transition team in 2017/2018 of our new Fire and City Administrations. Emily is married to a fellow firefighter, a mother of two young children and has served the community and AFR with selflessness, dignity and pride! Thank you Deputy Chief Emily Jaramillo for your service to AFR and the community.

**JEREMY GRIEGO**

**Driver Jeremy Griego** has been a member of AFR since 2012 and graduated as the Top Cadet from the 81st Cadet Class. Jeremy began his career at Stations 2 and 7 and after getting certified in Heavy Technical Rescue, was assigned to Squad 2. Jeremy was promoted to Driver in 2017 and is currently assigned to the Alarm Room as a Dispatcher. In November of 2018 Jeremy was presented with the "Stork Award" by the International Association of Emergency Dispatchers for assisting with the successful delivery of a baby over the phone. Jeremy was recently recognized by the Albuquerque Business Journal as one of the "40 under 40" recipients for 2019. Jeremy was nominated by the John Kynor of "Q Realty" and given a letter of recommendation from Fire Chief Paul Dow for his professional achievements, leadership as well as community service. Jeremy has not only served his community by being an outstanding member of AFR but also as one of the top real estate brokers in Albuquerque. Thank you Driver Jeremy Griego for your service to AFR and the community.



## RETIREMENTS



**SHANNON CRAWFORD**

**Firefighter Shannon Crawford** began her career in 2011 as a member of the 80th Cadet Class and has spent the large majority of her career at Station 16. Shannon has served AFR with dignity and grace all while serving as a valuable member of the Wildland Division. Shannon will be leaving AFR to pursue a new and exciting career in Interior Design, we wish her all the best in her new adventure!

**LAYNE NAKASONE**

**Firefighter Layne Nakasone** started his career with AFR on June 22, 1998. Layne retired out of Station 18 where he shared his many years of experience with so many other firefighters who have worked with him. Thank you for your service Layne!



## ***INCIDENT COMMAND TRAINING***

I am proud to say that each Battalion Chief in Albuquerque Fire Rescue has recently completed the Blue Card Incident Command Certification Program. This nationally recognized certification program helps Incident Commanders to make better decisions and ensure consistency in our emergency scene operations. Each Battalion Chief completed a 50-hour online training program along with the two-day in-person certification. In the coming months, these Battalion Chiefs will begin the long-awaited update of our current Incident Command SOG's, as well as incorporating the Blue Card methodology into our Professional Development Courses.

## ***NM CAPITAL OUTLAY***

This year's Legislative Session provided essential apparatus and equipment to many NM FDs and supported legislation that will have a positive impact on our firefighters and their families. Our NM Legislature and our Governor recognized the needs of Firefighters all over the state.

This year AFR will receive almost \$4.9 million in funding for apparatus, equipment and facility repairs. Both AFR and IAFF L244 worked as a team to secure these resources, which includes the following:

- \$1.4 million for an aerial platform
- \$700k for a Hazardous Materials Squad
- \$1.5 million to replace structural firefighting gear
- \$750k to repair to the AFR Fire Academy drill field
- \$620k to repair drive pads, purchase other apparatus and start additional projects

## ***HOUSE BILL 324***

On Tuesday, April 2nd, NM Governor Michelle Lujan-Grisham signed House Bill 324 into law. This law adds Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) to the list of conditions presumed to be proximately caused by working as a Firefighter. IAFF Local 244, the New Mexico Professional Firefighters Association and Firefighters from all over the state worked tirelessly to ensure this bill passed.

Regularly, our firefighters face situations that most of the public will never encounter – not even once in their lifetime. Unfortunately, death and tragedy are routine events in the fire service and firefighters, from time to time, will struggle to handle these incidents. With this legislation, we have an opportunity to provide resources for those firefighters who need it most. The existing firefighter occupational disease legislation has already made an impact on our FFs and their families, and this will too. Each community has a significant investment in their firefighters, and we should do all that we can to take care of them before they turn to substance abuse or suicide. PTSD is a real condition in the fire service, and I am grateful that our Governor and legislature recognized this.

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### **FUELS REDUCTION**

AFR along with COA Open Space and New Mexico State Forestry completed a fuels reduction project covering 5-10 acres in the Bosque on the northwest side of Central and the Rio Grande River. The purpose of the project was to remove non-native vegetation and dead/down trees. These efforts will help lower the risk of wildfires starting and spreading and ensure the fires that do occur are more manageable.

### **BLS RESCUE PROGRAM**

AFR is gearing up to expand the BLS Rescue program. Starting in May, there will be BLS Rescue coverage seven days a week. The specifics of the schedule, response areas, and other details regarding the program will be released at the end of April. BLS Rescue 11 continues to benefit the SE heights as they average around seven calls per 10-hour shift in districts 11 and 5.

### **COMMUNITY RISK REDUCTION**

Albuquerque Fire Rescue has created an application survey to ensure that families are prepared for the threats and hazards we face in our community. The information from the survey will be used by AFR and its partners to help provide further education and services throughout the community. The survey will be going live April 15th via a link at [www.cabq.gov/fire](http://www.cabq.gov/fire). It will be distributed to Albuquerque Public school children digitally and available to the community on our web site.

AFR Public Affairs office will be conducting surveys at each station and on every shift beginning in June. The purpose will be to identify unique issues in that district and to solicit solutions from those crews. Once complete, the responses will help create programs specific to that community's needs.

**FIRE CHIEF** PAUL W. DOW



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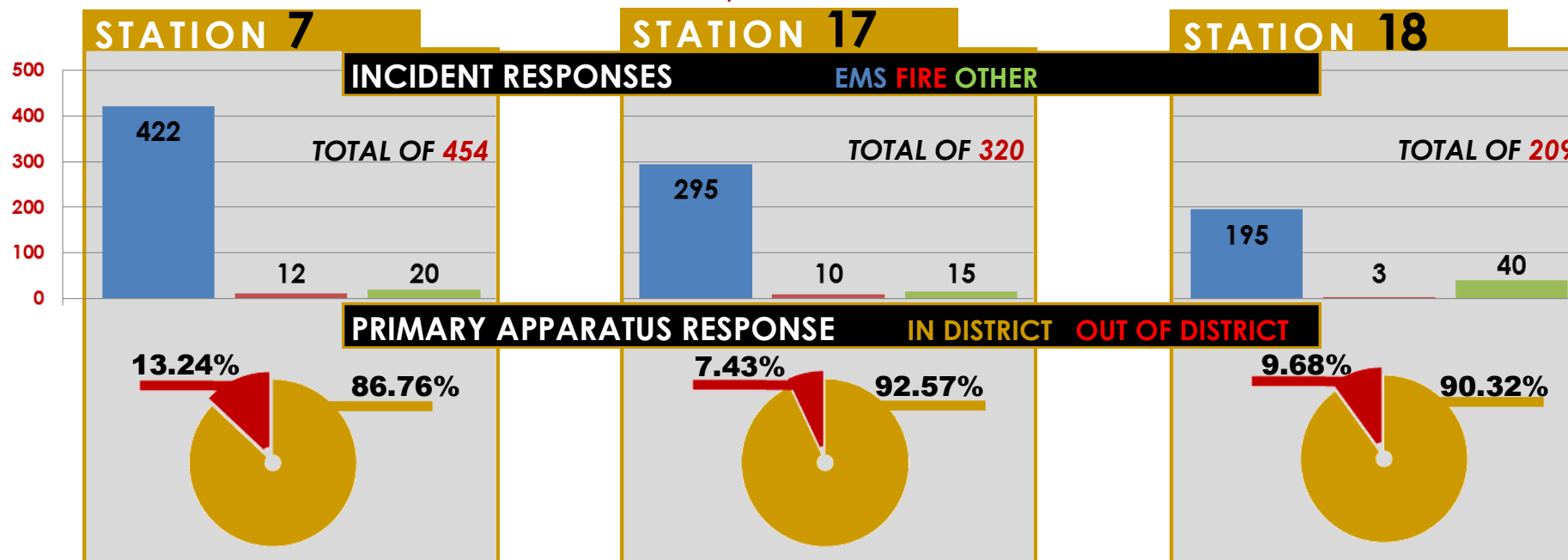


## CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT FIRE STATIONS

**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.

**PRIMARY APPARATUS RESPONSE** 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 86.76% of the calls located in fire district 7.

KEN SANCHEZ | CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 1





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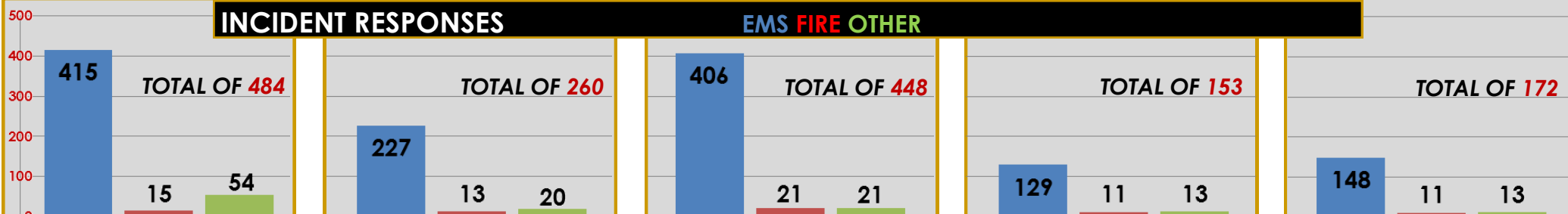
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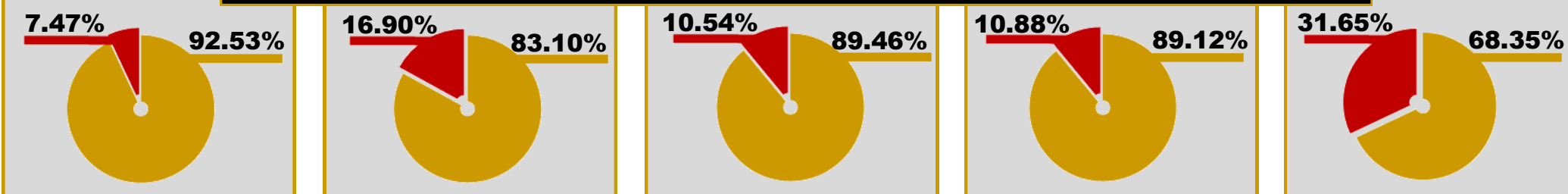
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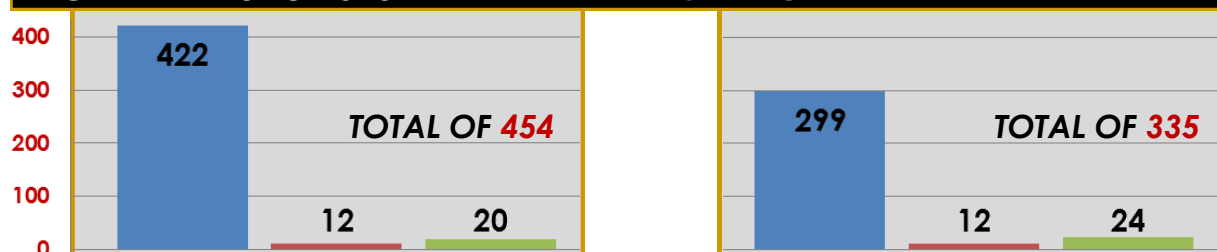
PRESIDENT KLARISSA PEÑA | CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 3

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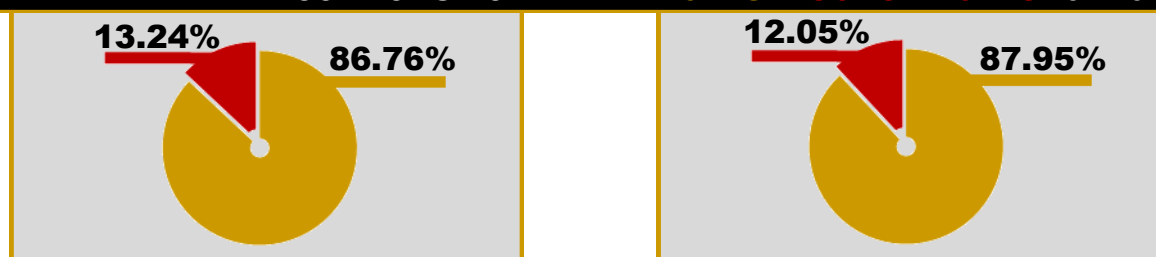
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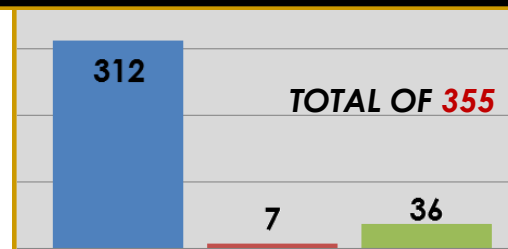
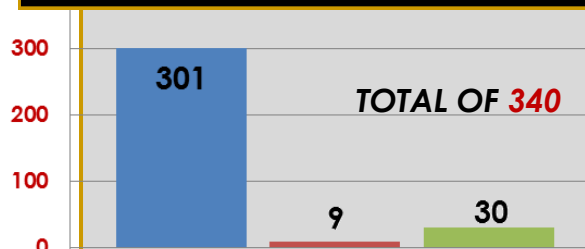
BRAD WINTER | CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 4

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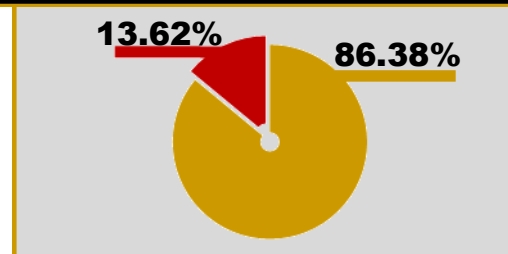
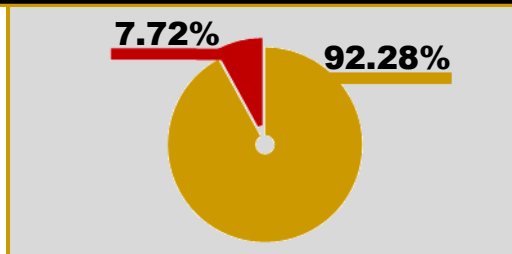
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VICE-PRESIDENT CYNTHIA BORREGO | CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 5

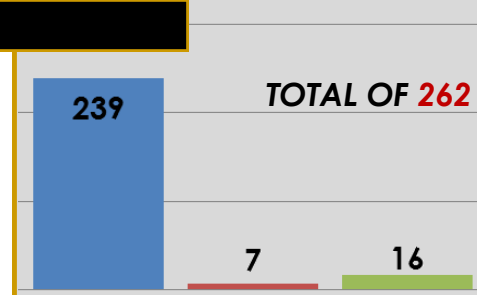
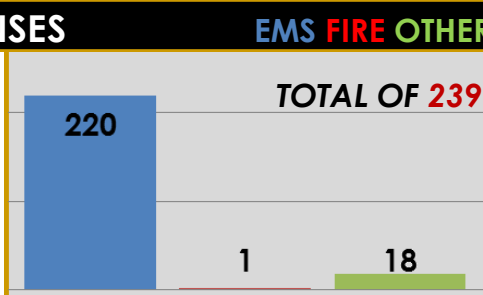
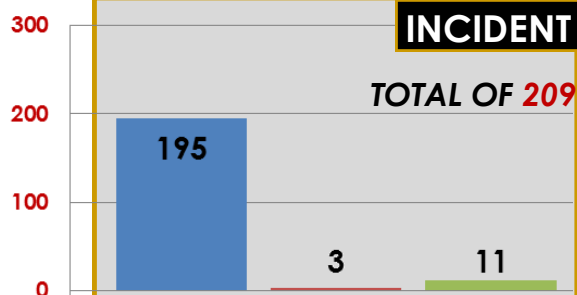
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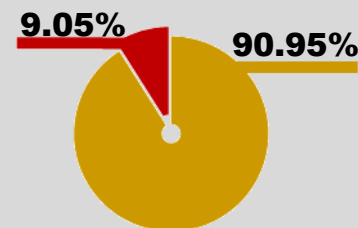
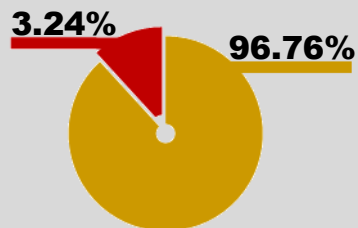
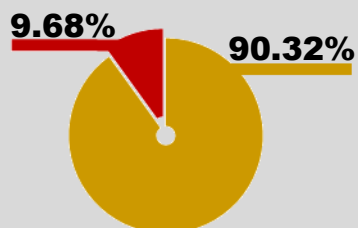
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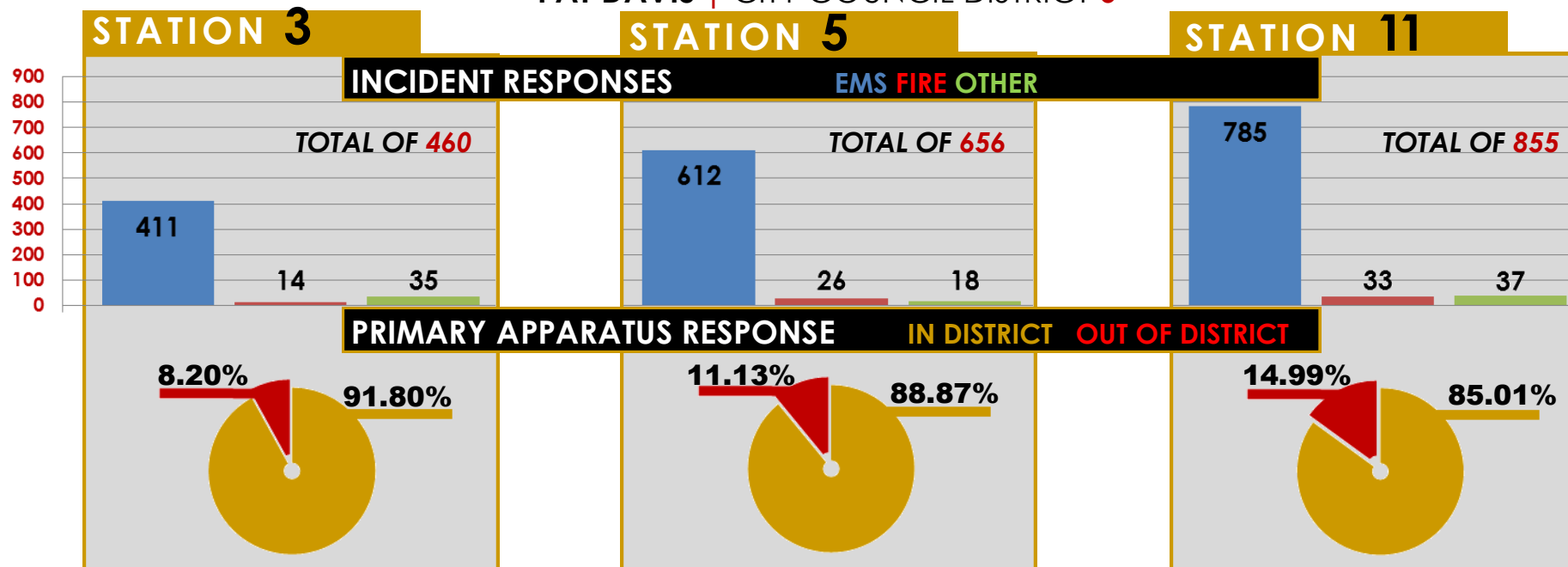
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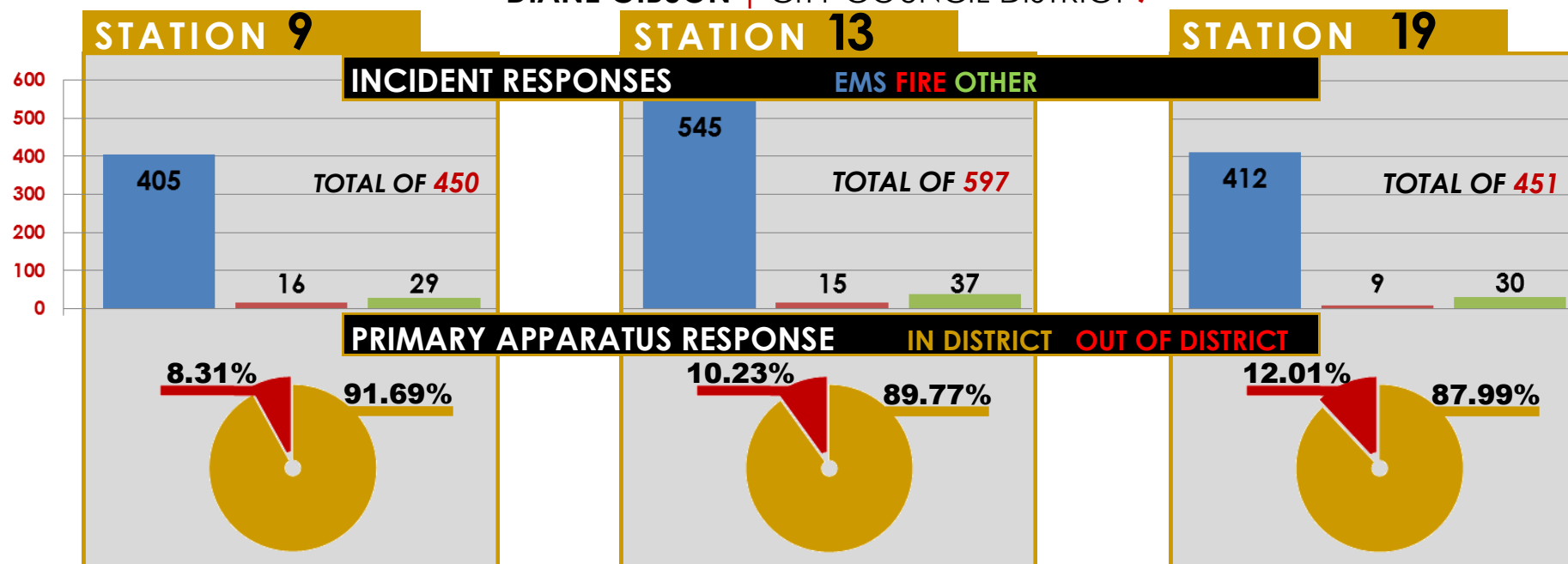
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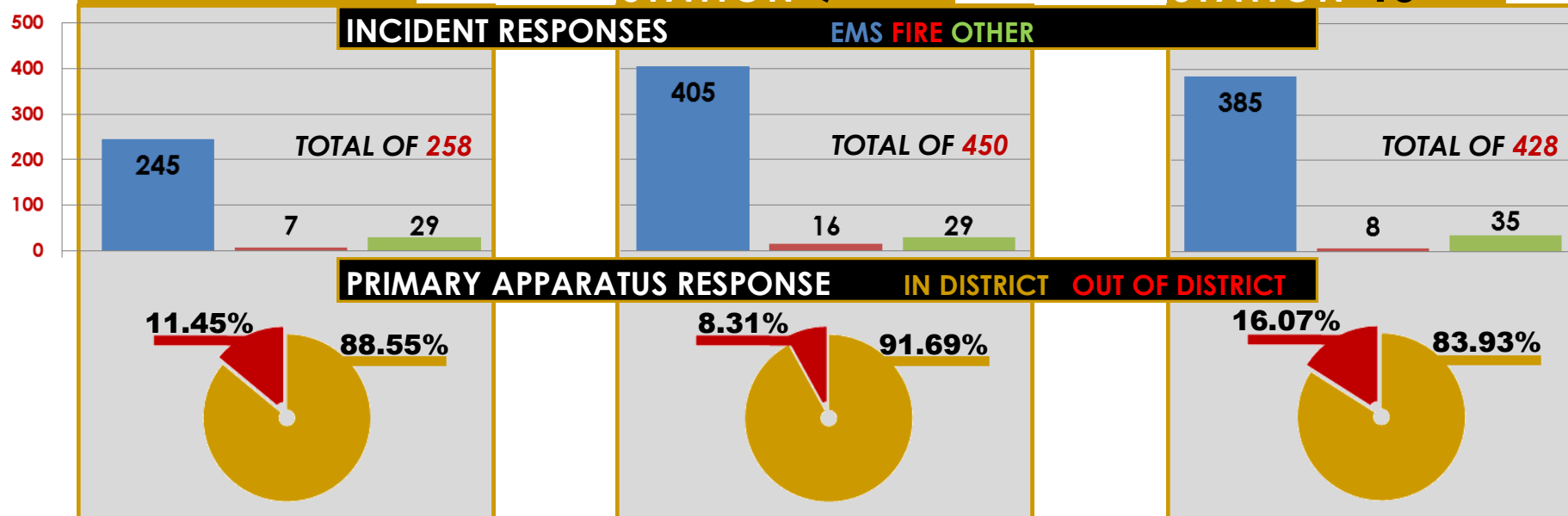


TRUDY JONES | CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 8

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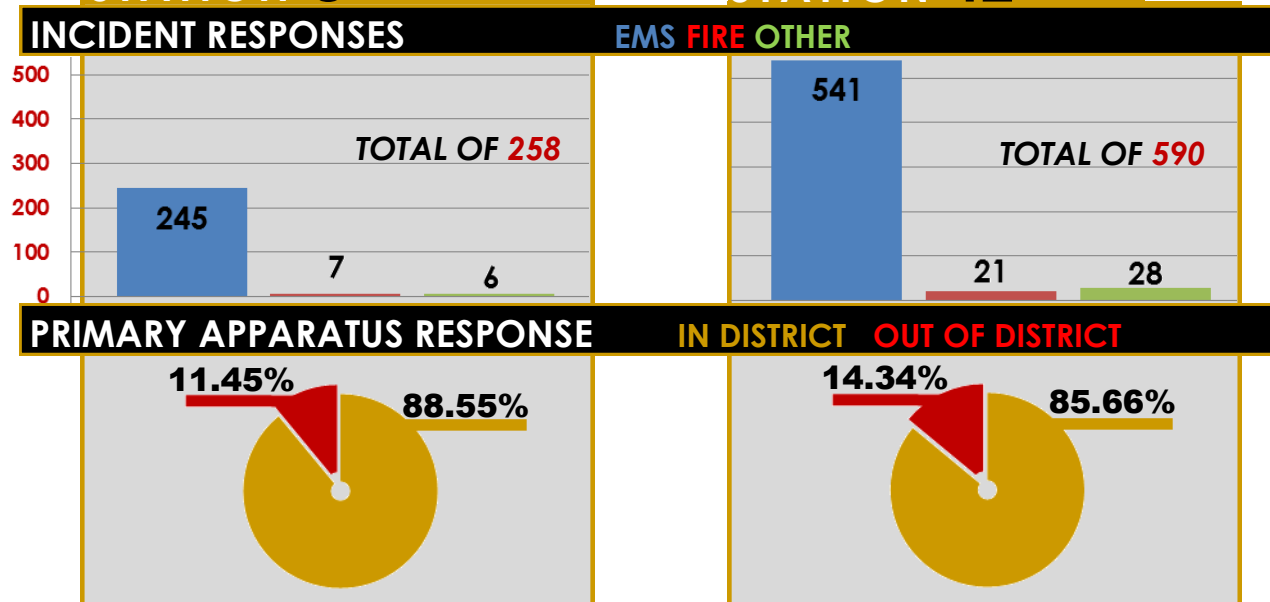
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