



2022

ANNUAL REPORT

LAKE WORTH FIRE DEPARTMENT

PRIDE HONOR INTEGRITY

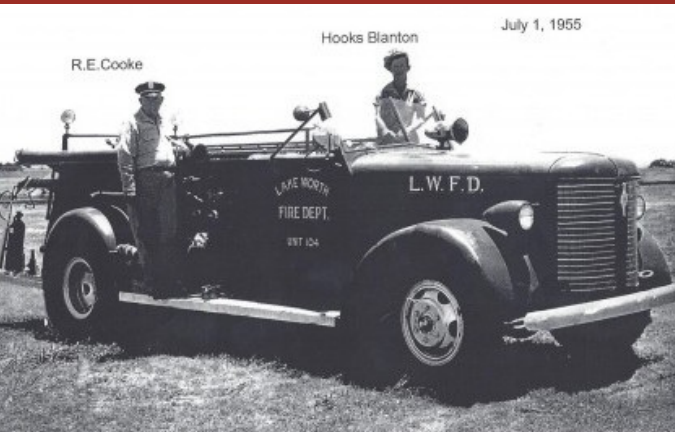


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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY



The Lake Worth Fire Department was created in 1948 and became funded by the City of Lake Worth in 1972. In October of 1998, the department hired its first full-time staff. Today the department consists of 23 career firefighters. The fire department operates with 20 firefighters assigned to shift, supported by an administrative staff of the Fire Chief, Assistant Chief of Operations, Assistant Chief/Fire Marshal, and Emergency Management Coordinator. The department serves a permanent population of 5,000 and an estimated daytime population over 15,000. The response district, including contracted areas, is approximately 35 square miles.

The Lake Worth Fire Department is a suburban all-hazard fire department that provides professional firefighting services, emergency medical services, fire prevention and annual fire safety inspections for all businesses, plan reviews, and public education.

Last year, the Lake Worth Fire Department responded to 3,100 calls for service, an increase of 4% from 2021. The fire department collaborates with the Northwest Emergency Response Organization (NERO) and the City of Fort Worth. Resources from NERO and the Fort Worth Fire Department complement our existing emergency response capabilities. These include hazardous materials response, high/low angle rescue, confined space rescue, trench rescue, structural collapse response, swift water rescue, and mass casualty Incident response support. In return, the Lake Worth Fire Department provides automatic aid assistance to both organizations.





FROM THE FIRE CHIEF

The Lake Worth Fire Department is proud to present our 2022 Annual Report. We wish to ensure proactive engagement with our community and customers. This annual report provides a detailed review of the departments activities from the previous year while casting light on areas of significant accomplishment. It is our tremendous honor to serve the citizens of Lake Worth and our surrounding communities. We look forward to the future while embracing and learning from the past.



FIRE ADMINISTRATION

"Our administrative staff works to support all aspects of incident response, training, education, public outreach, community support, emergency preparedness and fire prevention. In addition, fire administration collaborates with all city departments to ensure a safe and vibrant community. This includes adhering to the annually adopted budget, incident analysis and data collection, reporting to city administration and our elected officials, and accountability through effective and efficient fire prevention, education, and emergency preparedness."



Ryan Arthur, Fire Chief



John Sanders,
Assistant Fire Chief
Fire Marshal



Jeremy Blackwell
Assistant Fire Chief
Operations



Joseph Laster
Emergency Management
Coordinator



OUR MISSION

"The mission of the Lake Worth Fire Department is to serve our community with pride, honor, and integrity while providing exceptional customer service. We remain focused on the preservation of life and property through effective emergency response, fire prevention, and public education."

OUR VISION

"The Lake Worth Fire Department is committed to providing trained and knowledgeable personnel prepared to respond to our growing community's needs. We strive to continually improve our organization through the use of innovation, allowing us to provide the highest level of service possible to those in need."

OUR MOTTO

"The Perfect 10's"



YEAR AT A GLANCE

Target Initiatives for 2022

- Community Engagement
 - Kids Camp 2022
 - Citizens Fire Academy
 - Santa Cruisin'
- Staffing Evaluation
 - Double Company
 - Fire Prevention Division
- Fire Prevention
 - Fire Inspections
 - Public Education
- Emergency Preparedness





22
Campers



12 Lesson
Topics

KIDS FIRE CAMP

The department hosted its first ever Kids Fire Camp in June of 2022. Since it was the first geared towards children under the age of 15, we chose to offer it only for "campers" of existing city employees. Just over 20 kids attended this first ever inaugural event! Throughout the day, our campers had a chance to learn more about the fire department, fire safety, and had a chance to do some very cool hands-on activities, including rappelling from the top of the ladder truck! This event was such a huge success, we plan to continue offering this event every year during the month of June. The next Kids Fire Camp will be open to any Lake Worth or Lakeside resident with children between the ages of 7 and 15!

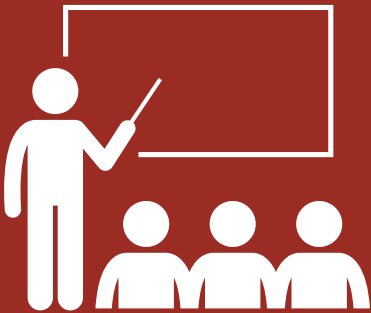




8 Enrolled



8 Graduated



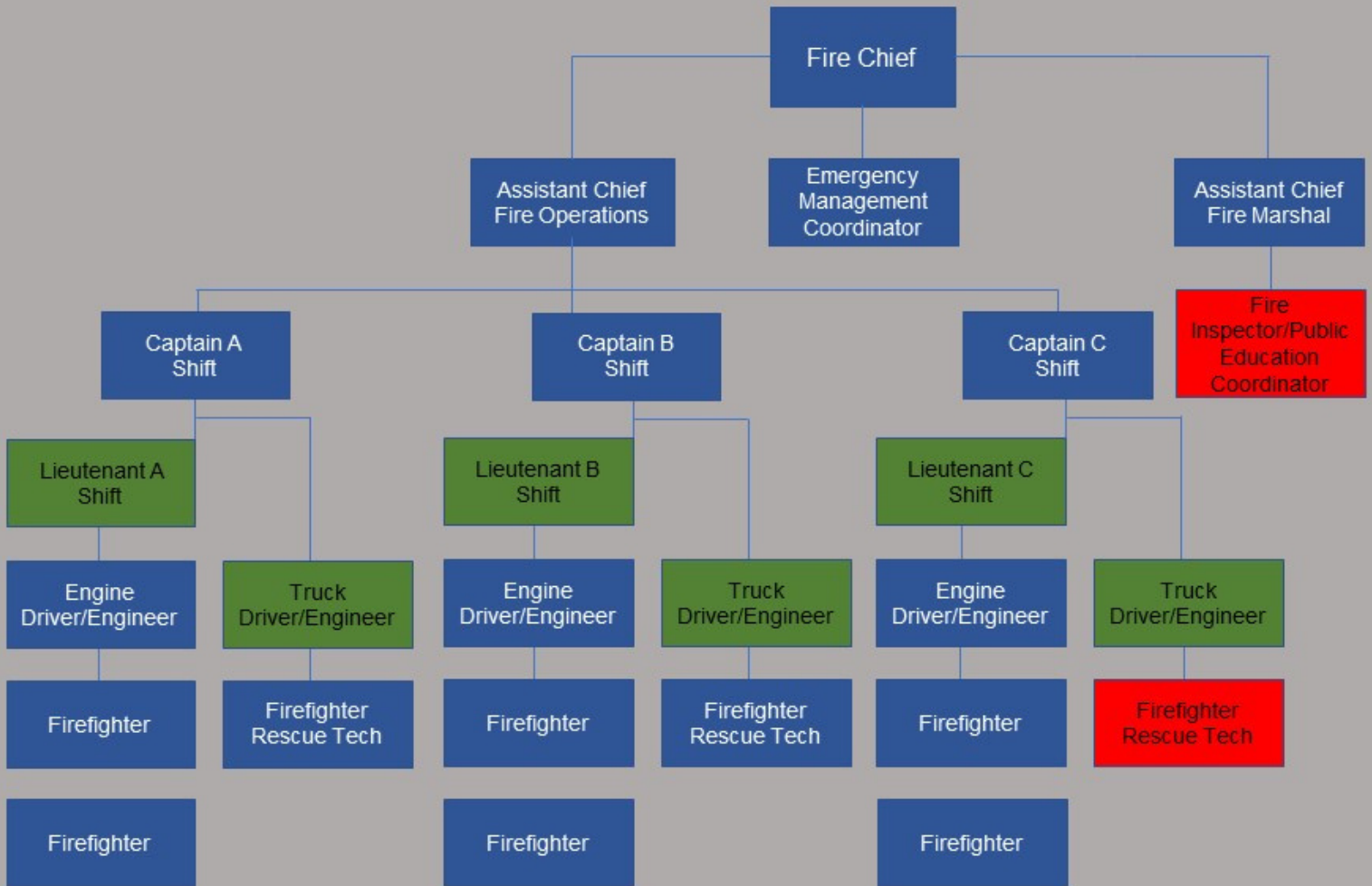
CITIZENS ACADEMY

April 2022 was a busy month for the LWFD, not only responding to calls for service but also preparing for our spring, summer, and fall public education initiatives! To get things started, the department hosted its first annual Citizens Fire Academy (CFA) in April of 2022. The CFA is an opportunity for the community to engage with firefighters and learn the many disciplines supported by the Lake Worth Fire Department. Classes were conducted on two Thursday evenings with one full day of hands-on demonstrations completed on a Saturday. Topics include learning about emergency medicine and our partnership with MedStar Mobile Healthcare, stages of fire development and the skills needed to contain fire spread, search and rescue, hazardous materials, vehicle extrication, and many more. Our second annual CFA will be hosted in April/May of 2023. This event will be open to all who live or work within the City of Lake Worth or the Town of Lakeside.





STAFF & PERSONNEL



Positions highlighted in red or green are anticipated future growth opportunities within the department, with red identifying new full-time positions. Blue identifies existing positions within the department.

APPARATUS



- Engine 10
- 1085 incidents



- Truck 10
- 521 incidents



- Attack 10
- 1343 incidents



- Tanker 10
- 151 incidents



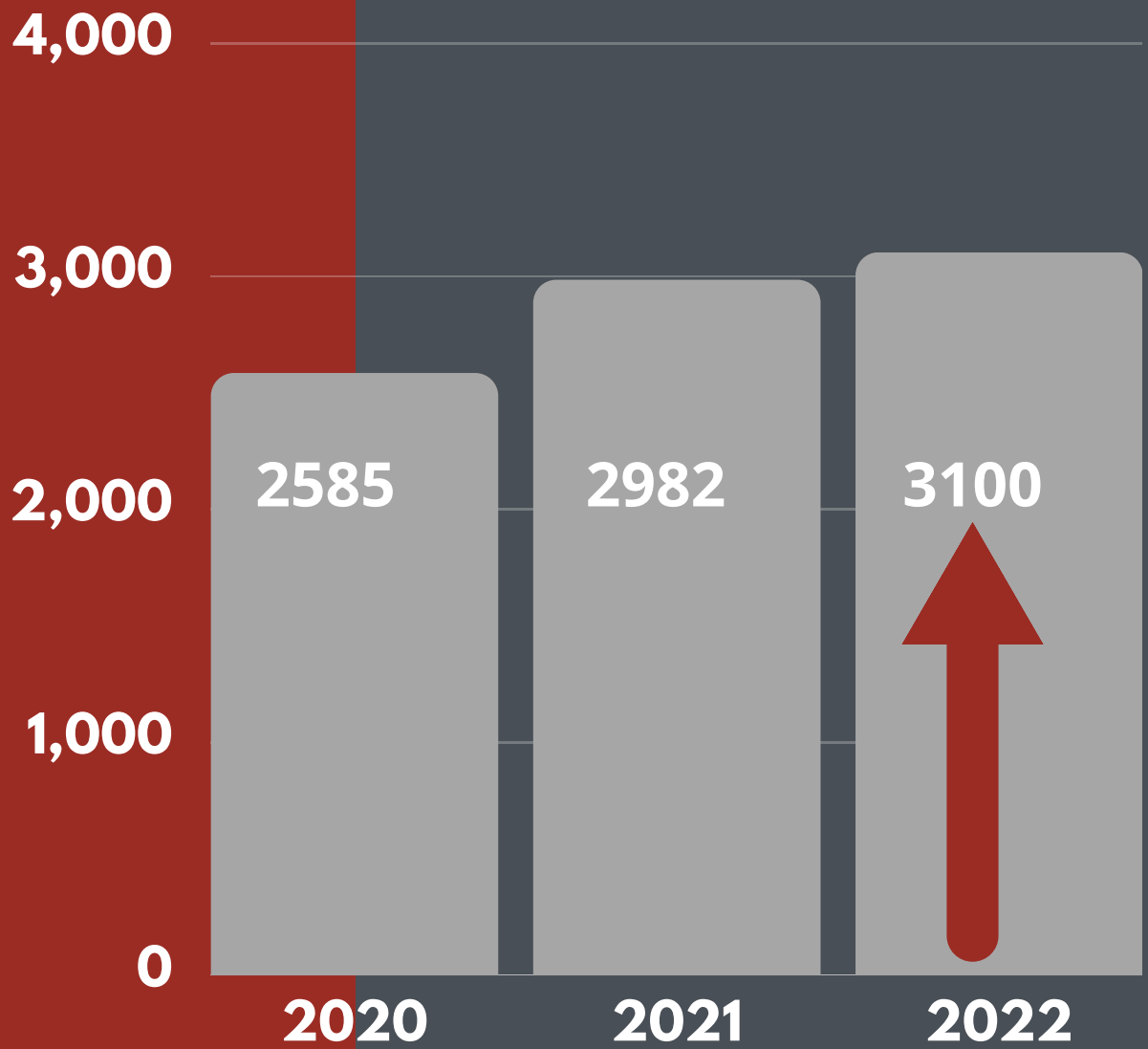
- Brush 10
- 88 incidents



Integrity



CALLS FOR SERVICE



**4% Increase in
Calls for
Service**



INCIDENT TYPES



80 Structure Fires



65 Wildland Fires



357 Vehicle Accidents



1435 Medical Calls



18 Rescue/Extrication



470 Public Service



152 Alarms



167 Hazardous Condition

EMS
58.4%


1811


1289

FIRE
41.6%

903

Aid Given

123

Aid Received

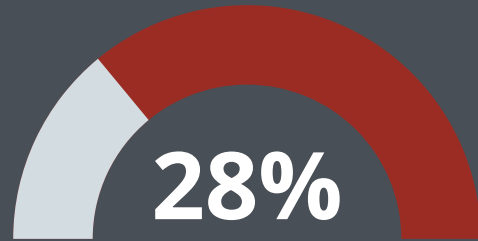
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Dual Company
Response
Engine & Truck

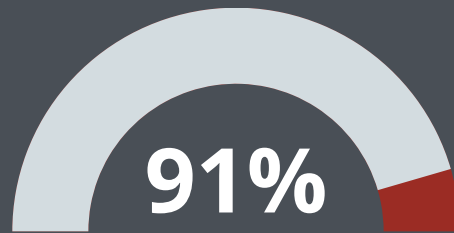
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Dispatched &
Cancelled
Enroute

INCIDENT STATISTICS



Overlapping Calls



NFPA 1710
Compliance



4:15

Response Time
Emergent



5:25

Response Time
Non-Emergent



:30

Turnout Time



4:01

First Unit Arrival

355

Inspections
Completed

40+

Certificate of
Occupancy

121

Plan Review

5

Investigations

FIRE PREVENTION

1500+ = **100%**
Violations Compliance

100+ = **100%**
Complaints Received Compliance



54:34

Average Inspection
Time





PUBLIC EDUCATION

1135

Attendees

36

Fire Safety
Events

163

Hours

Dedicated to
Special Events

26

Public Education
Events



TRAINING & EDUCATION

1576

Training Hours
Completed

42

Scenario Based

500+

EMS Training
Hours



AWARDS & RECOGNITION

Anniversaries

Joe Hamilton: 20 Years

D'Essick Ford: 5 Years

Taylor Massey: 1 Year

Shane Crnkovic: 1 Year

Jacob Schultz: 1 Year

Matthew Selzer: 1 Year

Awards

- Firefighter/EMS Provider of the Year
 - Joe Hamilton
- Mark Cone Service Award
 - John Sanders
- Top Frog
 - Michael Moss
- CERT Member of the Year
 - Adam Wahlen



TEXAS BEST PRACTICES

After nearly 2 years of preparation, diligence, and determination, the Lake Worth Fire Department was officially recognized as a "Best Practices" Fire Department by the Texas Fire Chiefs Association (TFCA) on July 14, 2021. The department becomes the 25th organization to receive this designation. The TFCA developed this Best Practices program as encouragement for fire departments throughout Texas to seek continual improvement in their services to the local community.

In 2021, the department submitted its first annual report for Best Practices. Similar to the 2022 annual report, data collected based upon this years performance can be showcased as accomplishments for the department. Data also indicates our continued efforts in maintaining compliance with local, state, and federal regulatory agencies. This includes the Texas Commission on Fire Protection (TCFP).



EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS



Annual Preparedness Fair

CERT Program

Community Outreach

CPR/First Aid Training

Child Safety Seat Program



CodeRED™
Emergency Notification System
REGISTER NOW

To register, scan the QR code,
text LAKEWORTHWARE (all caps) to 99411,
or visit the city of Lake Worth's webpage.

Available on the
App Store
Available on
Google Play

PARTNERSHIPS



MedStar

Partner emergency medical services provider for the cities of Lake Worth and Lakeside.



Fort Worth Fire Department

Partner with the City of Fort Worth on providing automatic aid and dispatching services for the fire department.



Town of Lakeside

The department provides fire and emergency medical services to the Town of Lakeside.

PARTNERSHIPS



Northwest Emergency Response Organization (NERO)

Combined training with local fire departments throughout Tarrant County.



Emergency Services District #1

LWFD provides both emergency and non-emergency response to areas throughout unincorporated Tarrant County.



Northwest Tarrant CERT

Northwest Tarrant CERT incorporates the communities of Lake Worth and Saginaw.

