

City of Coeur d'Alene Fire Department

2023 Annual Report

SUMMARY

Land Area: 16 Sq. Miles

City Population: 55,904

Fire Budget: \$12,338,551

4 Stations

Personnel Total:
63 Line personnel
(33 Paramedics)
1 Fire Chief
3 Deputy Chiefs
1 EMS Officer
2 Deputy Fire Marshals
3 Administrative Staff

Engineer-Paramedic Erik Loney was awarded 2022 Employee of the Year at our awards ceremony in March 2023.

Calls for Service

Fire Calls	2,205
EMS	7,817
Mutual Aid	194
Ambulance Transport	5,212
Total Runs	10, 022
Cardiac Arrests	113

Gross revenue from transports \$4,323,331

Firefighter-Paramedic Morgan Zajicek had the highest number of individual runs at

12,000 Department Training Hours

Coeur d'Alene Fire placed a full compliment of new self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) into service in March. The replacement of these SCBA units was identified as a high priority by our city council and they were purchased through grant funding at a cost of over \$600,000 for 70 units.

UNITS

- 2 100' Ladder Truck
- 5 Engine/Pumpers
- 2 Water Response
- 3 Transport Units
- 5 Chief Officer Rigs
- 2 Fire Prev/Public Ed
- 5 Rescue Apparatus
- 2 Wildland Trucks
- 3 Support Vehicles
- 3 Special Events

Third Ambulance In Service

In March, we placed our third ALS ambulance into service. The new ambulance, Medic 34, is housed out of Station 4 at Atlas Rd. & Hanley Ave. This new resource is staffed with one Firefighter/Paramedic and one Firefighter/EMT, 4 days per week, 24 hours per day.

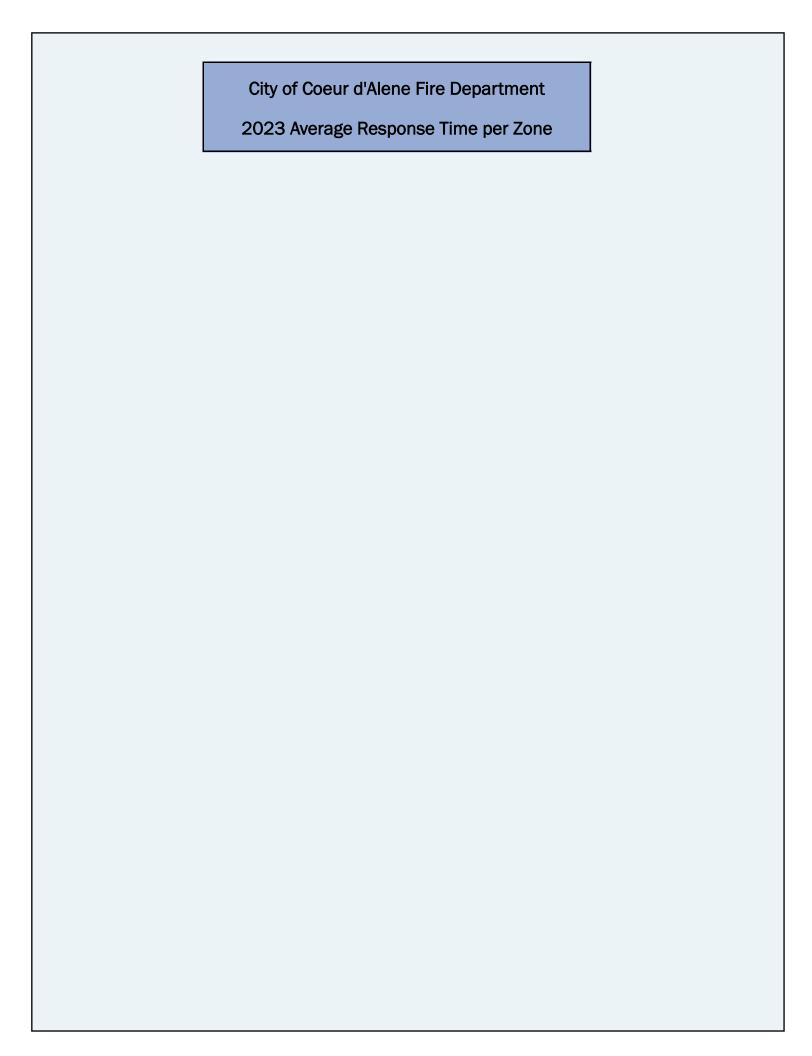




FF-P Chad Matchell with K9 Scout & FF-P Cody Moore with K9 Murphy were deployed to the Maui Wildfire event in August.

MISSION STATEMENT

THE COEUR D'ALENE FIRE DEPARTMENT IS COMMITTED TO PROVIDING THE HIGHEST QUALITY SERVICE TO THE RESIDENTS AND VALUED GUESTS OF THE CITY OF EXCELLENCE. WE ARE DRIVEN BY PERFECTION AND STEERED BY KNOWLEDGE, TRADITION AND INTEGRITY.



2023 HIGHLIGHTS

We gave out several awards throughout the year, including Life Saving Awards and Awards of Exemplary Action.







In February, FF/P Justin McGarvin, FF/P Cory Miles, FF/P Ryan Munson, and FF/P James LaVille graduated from our fire academy. These gentlemen were hired as lateral firefighter-paramedics.

Three of our firefighters participated in the LLS Firefighter Stair Climb Fundraiser in the Spring. Their team combined with other local fire departments and together raised \$20,000 to support the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society and their fight against blood cancers.



We held a Grand Opening ceremony for our brand new Marine Facility in May. Mayor Hammond did us the honor of uncoupling the fire hose (our version of cutting the ribbon) as the fire boat was steered into the garage. We also had the honor of partnering with the CDA Tribe in naming the fire boat "Chdeln" which means "to guard or protect."

FF-P Cody Moore, Idaho Disaster Dog's team leader, wrote and released a children's book called "Murphy Gets a Job." This is the true story of Moore's K9 Murphy, from puppy to working search and rescue dog.



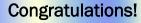
There were two Fill the Boot events to raise money for the Muscular Dystrophy Association: September 9th at our Annual Open House we set up a dunk tank and September 22nd at Anchored Coffee. Total raised between the two events was \$2,944.



In September, our canine search team, Idaho Disaster Dogs, started training in water recovery. The ability to assist in the recovery of victims under water has been a long-time goal of the canine program.



Local 710 collected 7,777 pounds of food and raised \$2,800 from Mobile Santa in December for the local food bank. We are thankful to our community for their generosity and support!



5 years of service FF/P Joel Batchelder

10 years of service FF Greg Thaxton Captain Colby Ivey

15 years of service Engineer Jeff Butcher



Fire Prevention Division

- 32 fire investigations were performed.
- Deputy Fire Marshal Bobby Gonder conducted 4 Juvenile Firesetter Intervention evaluations.
- Attended 45 project reviews for new construction or remodel projects within the City (26 new, 19 remodels).
- Reviewed 502 permits (93 residential, 409 commercial) for new construction or remodels and performed required code inspections for all.
- Public Education and Community Outreach:
 - 43 Smoke detector assistance/replacements
 - 26 Public Relations/Education events
 - 58 Station tours

- 78 Ride alongs
- 16 School visits
- 11 CPR/First Aid classes



Deputy Fire Marshal Bobby Gonder



Deputy Fire Marshal Craig Etherton

Looking forward . . .

In 2024, our fire department eagerly anticipates achieving new heights in community safety and service. Our goals include:

- ◆Begin planning and educating for the upcoming G.O. Bond in May 2025, as well as outlining a 3 to 5 year strategic growth plan.
- ◆Identify land location for fifth fire station.
- ◆Continue emphasis on PTSI and firefighter fatigue.
- ◆Enhance our physical fitness program.
- ◆Conduct an Engineer Training Academy.
- ◆ Conduct Engineer testing and promotional processes.
- ◆ Modify current high-rise ordinance and pursue FARS system in high rise buildings.
- Pursue third party commercial inspections.
- ♦ Work with L-710 on Civil Service revisions and certifications.
- ◆Continue to emphasize partnership opportunities in the community.
- ◆ Conduct a multi-agency RTF Active Shooter exercise.
- ◆Pursue sustainable funding for ITRT.

With these objectives in focus, we are poised to meet challenges head-on and continue safeguarding our community with unwavering dedication.