

# Mariemont Fire Department Annual Report 2024

## From the Desk of Assistant Chief Copeland

Looking back on 2024, it is apparent that the Mariemont Fire Department experienced a strong period of positive growth. We have retained many qualified employees, that continue to strive to provide professional service to the Village as we continue to see an increase in our department's call volume. Increased responses, community outreach, prevention, inspections, and emergency services have grown significantly making our fully staffed, part-time department, operate to its full potential. At times we had to adapt and overcome to make sure that our residents are served with the best we have to offer. We saw a 19% increase in our run volume over the last year. Total calls for service were 542 in 2023 and 645 in 2024. We continue to increase the workload as the Village continues to thrive. We thank the Mayor, Council, and our citizens for their continued support. We are proud to serve this community.



### Did you Know?

- 1.** Captain Henderson oversees our Knox box program
- 2.** This fireproof box is only able to be accessed by the Fire Department
- 3.** Residents and Businesses can purchase Knox Boxes to place keys to gain access inside the structure without causing further damage
- 4.** Contact the Fire Department for more information and ask for Captain Henderson.

## Captain Henderson's Safety Program

Captain Henderson has the role of the Safety Officer for the Mariemont Fire Department. He works directly under Assistant Chief Copeland managing the day-to-day operations of the department. He is tasked with providing safety programs, education, and conducting life safety inspections in both residential and commercial occupancies. He will also assume the safety command role at working incidents to ensure that our firefighters are made aware of potential dangers and monitoring changing conditions in dynamic incidents. Captain Henderson responded to 53 incidents in 2024 in which he assumed the role of safety officer at the scene. This included 34 Structure Fires, Water Rescue incidents, and Hazardous Materials incidents.



## Community Involvement



Keeping Mariemont a safe place to live, work, and visit is a whole community effort! The Mariemont Fire Department strongly believes that well-informed and prepared stakeholders will promote a safer community- which motivates our organization to get even more involved in various outreach events and activities to share fire safety information. One of our favorite events of the year is the Village Safety Night where we get to interact with our residents and the public we serve. Pictured (left) is Fire Apparatus Operator and Paramedic, Chadd Webb, playing football with some future Warrior Athletes.



## Home Fire Escape Tips

- Install smoke alarms on each level of your home (including the basement), inside every sleeping area and outside each sleeping area.
- Test your smoke alarm monthly to make sure it is working properly. Change the batteries at least twice a year. Doing it in the fall and spring when you change your clocks is a good way to remember. Change your clocks- Change your batteries.
- Plan to assist individuals who are unable to escape on their own.
- Practice both your primary and secondary escape routes
- Check to make sure all windows open easily.
- Yell or pound on walls to notify other family members of the fire.
- Never waste time getting dressed or gathering valuables.
- Always test doors for heat before opening.
- Get low and go to avoid smoke.
- Exit quickly and calmly. Get out and stay out.
- Go to the designated meeting place outside.
- Make sure everyone is out of the house.
- Call for help from a neighbor's house.





(PICURED LEFT) FIREFIGHTER/PARAMEDIC MATT THOMPSON COOLS OFF AFTER A WORKING FIRE IN A SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENCE.

FIREFIGHTER THOMPSON, IS ALSO A MASTER SERGEANT IN THE U.S. AIR FORCE. JOINING IN 2008, MATT HAS HAD NUMEROUS DEPLOYMENTS INCLUDING AFGHANISTAN AND IRAQ DURING THE WAR ON TERROR. HE JOINED THE MARIEMONT FIRE DEPARTMENT IN 2023 AND BRINGS A WEALTH OF KNOWLEDGE AND EXPERIENCE TO OUR DEPARTMENT.

## Captain Williams EMS Report

THE DEPARTMENT'S RUN VOLUME HAS INCREASED SIGNIFICANTLY OVER THE PAST YEAR. WE ARE FORTUNATE TO HAVE A GREAT WORKING RELATIONSHIP WITH OUR NEIGHBORING DEPARTMENTS.

AT TIMES, OUR RESOURCES CAN BECOME LIMITED DUE TO MULTIPLE EMERGENCIES HAPPENING ACROSS THE VILLAGE IN A SHORT AMOUNT OF TIME AND WE MUST RELY ON TRANSPORT UNITS FROM OTHER JURISDICTIONS TO ASSIST WITH PROVIDING THE BEST CARE TO OUR RESIDENTS AND THOSE WHO VISIT OUR GROWING ENTERTAINMENT DISTRICTS. MEDIC 67 WAS REQUESTED 59 TIMES BY A MUTUAL AID DEPARTMENTS. THESE INCLUDE ANDERSON TOWNSHIP, LITTLE MIAMI FIRE DISTRICT, DEER PARK, MADEIRA, SYCAMORE TOWNSHIP, AND THE CITY OF CINCINNATI.

220 RESIDENTIAL OR COMMERCIAL RESPONSES WERE MADE IN THE VILLAGE IN 2024. ANOTHER 137 RESPONSES WERE MADE TO MARIEMONT CARE CENTER. DUE TO THE INCREASE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES, WE HAVE SEEN A SIGNIFICANT INCREASE IN FUNDS FROM OUR THIRD PARTY- BILLING. IN 2024, EMS CALLS ALONE BROUGHT THE VILLAGE \$99,921.70 OF REVENUE. THIS IS AN INCREASE OF 39.06% OR \$28,068.70 SINCE 2023.

### M67 Statistics

- 416- Total EMS calls
- 360- Non-Traffic related Incidents
- 9 -Motor Vehicle Accidents
- 2- Calls for Pedestrians Struck by a vehicle