

ALLENTOWN FIRE DEPARTMENT

2018 Review



2019 Goals

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2018 Review (Statistics)

- Fire Responses (end of October) 8316



2018 Review (Statistics)

- **Structure Fires 54**
 - As of 10/31
 - Large Dollar Loss
- **Cooking Fires 49**
 - As of 10/31
 - Major Damage
 - Down from last year



2018 Overview

- Buildings and Contents Fire Loss
 - Just over 1 million dollars
- Vehicle Fire Loss
 - 34 thousand dollars



2018 Overview

- Training Academy
 - 5865 hours of training in these disciplines:
 - Hazmat/Bomb
 - Tech Rescue/Dive
 - EMS Con Ed
 - Fire Academy
 - Fire Dynamics Strategies & Tactics



2018 Overview

- **Fire Prevention**

- Home Fire Campaign
- Red Cross/AFD joint venture to install smoke detectors.
- Installed over 300 detectors on the Eastside of the city and the 6th Ward.
- Translated Fire Prevention documents into Spanish.



2018 Overview

- Public Relations and Education
 - Ride to School Program with the Allentown School District and Charter Schools
 - 13th Year of the program
 - Rewarding 2 students per facility for being a role model and leader.
 - The program reached over 5500 students in both Public and Charter Schools.



2018 Overview

- Static Displays and Fire Safety Education
 - Over 13,000 adults and children in attendance
 - Topics Addressed
 - Exit Drills in the Home
 - Smoke Detectors
 - CO Detectors
 - Stop Drop and Roll



2018 Overview

- Community Outreach
 - Childcare Classes with 906 providers in attendance (624 in 17)
 - Attended Career Days within the city to entice residents to take AFD test.
 - Fire Extinguisher simulator classes for residents and employees of the COA



2018 Overview

- Community Outreach
 - Fire and Life Safety education classes
 - Fire Station Tours
 - Operation Playground
 - Work with our partners at the Health Bureau and APD with joint events such as CERT and APD Youth Academy
 - Increased by 20% from 2017



2018 Overview

- **Fire Fleet**

- Took delivery of Pierce Arrow XT in August
- Will take delivery of Two (2) Pierce Enforcer Engine/Rescue Trucks in December.
- Take delivery of one (1) Pierce Enforcer Engine in January 2019.
- Working on a new HazMat truck from grant money
- Continue with long term planning beyond 2020.



2018 Overview

- Arson K9 Judge
 - Enjoying retirement!



2019 Goals & Priorities



2019 Goals

- Fleet
 - Putting Truck 1 back in service
- Firefighters
 - Look at the possibility to add firefighters to reduce overtime costs
 - Grow the department as the city grows
- Meters and Thermal Imagers
 - Upgrade older thermal imaging technology
 - Upgrade to more sensitive chemical and biological detection meters



2019 Goals

- Work on funding for our Special Teams
 - HazMat
 - Dive
 - Tech Rescue
 - Bomb



2019 Goals

- Fire Academy
 - Reintroduce Classrooms at Academy
 - Refurbish wood structure attached to tower
 - Replace air filling station (AFG Grant)
- Community Outreach
 - Continue our efforts to educate the public about safe cooking practices
 - Continue to work with our public safety partners to get the community more prepared for all types of hazards



Thank You

Questions/Comments/Concerns?