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**2019 ANNUAL REPORT**

**2019 Awards Banquet Honors Firefighters**

Marion County Fire District #1 hosted its annual Awards Banquet for personnel on February 21, 2020. More than 100 emergency personnel and their guests attended the event.

The banquet is held every year to honor exceptional service to citizens in the Fire District's service area. More than 100 career and volunteer emergency personnel responded to 8,026 emergency calls in 2019, a 5.3 percent increase over the previous year. Firefighters and EMS personnel went through 10,557 hours of training and participated in 42 community events to share life safety information with the public.

**Years of Service**

- 5 Years:** Matt Bentz, Josh Darland, Chris Herring, Eli Kass, Chase Redman, and Nick Sines
- 10 Years:** Seth Barnett, Anita DeVilliers, Ryan Stocks, and Scott Wildfang
- 15 Years:** Mike Anderson and Mark Ramsdell
- 20 Years:** Brian Cottings
- 25 Years:** James Mulhern
- 40 Years:** Ron Rosgen
- 50 Years:** Wayne Weaver and Wayne Miller
- 55 Years:** Bob Gerig

- Volunteer Rookie of the Year** – Jerold Martin
- Career Rookie of the Year** – Morgan Whaley
- Volunteer EMT/Paramedic** – Mitchell Wilson
- Career EMT/Paramedic of the Year** – Alisha Dodson
- Volunteer Commitment to Public Education** – Support Services Volunteers
- Commitment to Public Education** – Paula Smith
- Volunteer Excellence in Training** – Kyle Milks
- Volunteer FF of the Year** – David Leja
- Career FF of the Year** – Matthew Bentz
- Foxtail Award** – Station #2 (Middle Grove)
- Employee of the Year** – Crystal Wooldridge



**Career Excellence in Training**  
Mike Tinker



**Chief's Outstanding Achievement Award**  
Makenzie Hofmann



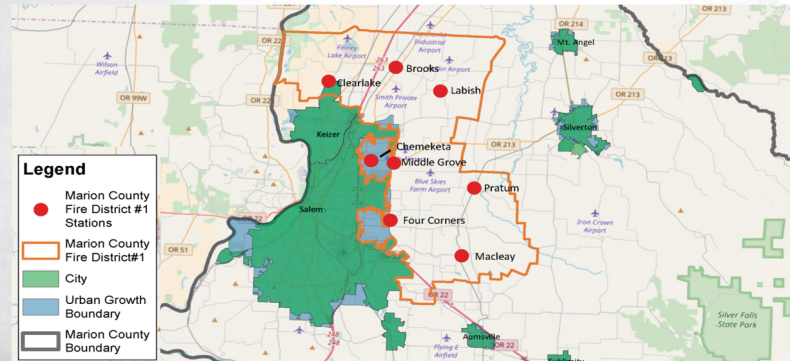
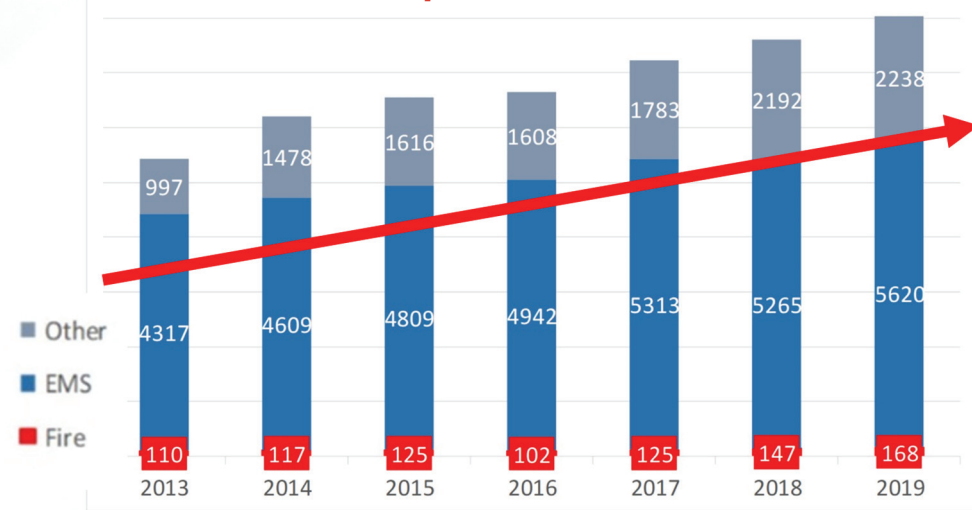
**Hall of Fame Award**  
Division Chief Paula Smith



## 2019 Call Data

Station 1 (Four Corners)	3102
Station 2 (Middle Grove)	635
Station 3 (Pratum)	101
Station 4 (Macleay)	247
Station 5 (Brooks)	424
Station 6 (Clear Lake)	729
Station 7 (Lake Labish)	71
Station 8 (Chemeketa)	2717
Average Response Time (minutes)	7:49
Mutual Aid Responses	545
Number of "Overlapping" calls	4399

## Call Volumes Up 48% Since 2013



**District Demographics:** MCFD1 is divided into eight (8) separate "first due" areas, with a fire station located in each first due area (Stations 1 through 8). Note: Station 2 is not staffed with an engine company, but rather staffed with a Battalion Chief, Medic Unit, Heavy Rescue and a reserve engine. As this station is located only 5 blocks from Station 8, E305 provides that area's "First Due" Engine coverage. Lastly, MCFD1 staffs three ALS ambulances at Stations 1, 2, and 6 (south, central, and north respectively), plus two reserve medics as a back-up unit.

**District Personnel:** The district employs 53 full-time personnel and three part-time personnel. It is supported by 55 volunteers who assist in various positions such as firefighter, EMS-only volunteer, water tender operator or through our Support Services program. This program includes retired personnel who continue to support the fire district through numerous public education/relation based events such as the Brooks Breakfast and area parades.

**2019 Fire Loss:** In 2019 the district responded to a reported 82 structure fires with 15 of them resulting in a "working incident" requiring an "Effective Response Force" of at least 14 personnel

on scene. An "Effective Response Force" is defined as the number of personnel needed on a first-alarm assignment to most likely stop the escalation of the emergency. Of these 15 working fires the pre-incident loss value was \$14,879,081 resulting in an actual dollar loss of \$3,044,775.

**Public Education:** During 2019 district personnel were involved in 50 public education related events totaling 96.5 hours. These events included numerous fire station tours, Annual Christmas Food and Toy Drive, Keizer Holiday Lights Parade, several elementary career days, fire station open house, National Night Out, Cub Scout Camp Day, numerous elementary school field days, and Brooks Breakfast just to name a few.

**Fire Investigations:** Our Division Chief Fire Marshal Paula Smith conducted 18 formal fire investigations in 2019 ranging from house fires and commercial business fires to wildland fires.

### Significant Events in 2019:

- One out-of-state conflagration deployments to California
- Apartment fire in the Middle Grove area fire loss \$390,000
- Commercial fire on Lancaster Dr fire loss \$280,000
- House fire in the Macleay area fire loss \$270,000

**2019 Highlights:** 10,557 hours of training; 96.5 hours of Events/Public Education; Strategic Plan development and adoption.

**Looking to 2020:** Embracing and practicing the fire district's five basic rules: 1. Do what is right, 2. Do your best, 3. Treat others with dignity, understanding and respect, 4. Leave the situation better than the way you found it, and 5. Help other members to be successful. Empower and continue to develop and support the members of Marion County Fire District #1. Continue to set up the fire district and our communities for success over the next 20 years.



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## A Message from Fire Chief Kyle McMann

The purpose of our Annual Report is to update you on key issues for Marion County Fire District #1. Our fire district is independent of Marion County, and provides fire and emergency medical services to 50,000 people over 80 square miles. The communities we serve include Four Corners, Middle Grove, Pratum, Macleay, Brooklake, Clearlake, and Labish.

I'm writing this year's report during an unprecedented time in our nation's history: COVID-19. By all accounts, we could be fighting this thing through the summer. First and foremost, I want to reassure you that we have been responding to infectious diseases for a long time. This is not new to us; we have trained on this very situation and are here to help you and your family if you need us.

This pandemic has reminded many of us why emergency services are so important. We are ready to respond, and have changed how we operate to reduce the spread of the virus to you and our first responders.

For example, our stations are closed to the public and we have cancelled our participation in community events. This is disappointing to many of us, but necessary considering the current climate. Our emergency personnel also will respond to medical emergencies in full protective gear, including gowns, masks and gloves. This is a protective measure to provide care and still protect both the patient and paramedic.

Our full-time, part-time and volunteer emergency personnel respond to over 8,000 emergency calls per year. Emergency call volumes have increased 5.3 percent on average, and we anticipate this number will increase due to COVID-19.

In other news, I have to mention that the fire district has an operating levy increase request on the May Primary Election ballot. This has been in the works for over a year, and our efforts to educate the public about the need for additional personnel is well documented on our website at [www.mcf1.com](http://www.mcf1.com).

The fire district is asking voters to increase its operating levy from 71 to 99 cents during the May 2020 Primary Election. This 28-cent increase would cost \$4.67 per month (or \$56 per year) for the owner of a \$200,000 home and provide revenue for additional emergency personnel, apparatus, and medical equipment.

I won't say more other than to ask you to learn more about what we need and why through our website. As always, I welcome your questions and comments about this and any other issue on your mind. I can be reached at (503)-588-6535 or [kylem@mcf1.com](mailto:kylem@mcf1.com). Thank you for the opportunity to serve.



### MISSION

To be an organization which is known and trusted by our community, respected by our peers and united in the accomplishment of our mission.

### VISION

To make a positive difference in our community. We accomplish this by (1) Rapid Response (2) Take Appropriate Action and (3) Producing a Beneficial Result.

### VALUES

Within our Organization, there are Five Basic Rules which every member is should know and consistently practice: Do What is Right. Do Your Best. Treat Others with Dignity, Understanding and Respect. Leave the Situation Better than the Way you Found it. Help Other Members to be Successful.