



FAIRVIEW FIRE DEPARTMENT

Fire Prevention 2020

Working hard to keep you safe

Every year the fire department works hard to make the community safe and to teach others about fire prevention. Besides responding to fire calls, the department takes part in many other activities within the fire district.

Each year the Fairview Fire Department does nearly 1500 business fire safety inspections. These inspections are done on all the businesses in the fire district. Each business is done between 1 and 3 times per year depending on occupancy. Performing these inspections allows us to help prevent fires before they start. It also gives our firefighters an opportunity to familiarize themselves with the business which can save valuable time if there is an incident. Some of the items we check during an inspection are fire extinguishers, exits, exit and emergency lighting, storage of combustible materials, address numbers, electrical issues, fire alarms, sprinkler systems and hood systems. The department finds the violations and works with the businesses to resolve the issues. Most of these are minor violations and are resolved in a very expedient manner.

The firefighters also train constantly throughout the year to maintain the highest possible levels of training and certifications. Last year the department logged a total of 4712 training hours. This training helps the department provide the best possible service to our community. The training is done pri-

marily through the fire department and through college training. Fire extinguishment, pump operations, hazardous materials, vehicle extrication, ventilation and fire investigation are just a few of the topics covered.

Another important service the fire department does for the community is teaching fire prevention. The department provides fire prevention training to each of the schools in the fire district. Each year about 2000 children are provided with fire safety skills and information that may one day save a life. We teach the children a variety of things; ways to prevent fires, what to do if there is a fire, checking the smoke detectors in their homes and properly using 911. Unfortunately with the COVID, and most schools operating remotely, we will not be able to visit the schools this year. Please take time to talk to your children about fire safety and prevention. If you need information, please feel free to contact us at 618-233-2121 or 618-394-8484.



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Open House
Cancelled due to COVID
Engine House #2
214 Ashland Avenue



We would like to thank District President and past Firefighter Stephen Burrow for his many years of dedicated service. Stephen serviced the Fairview Fire Department from 1981 to 2001 as a Firefighter, Lieutenant, Captain, and a fire department trustee during his time on the fire department. Stephen served as a District trustee Treasurer and President from 2001 to 2020.

Stephen as served the Fairview Caseyville Township F.P.D. and the Fairview Fire Department for 39 years

House Numbers

Seconds can be the difference in life and death in an emergency situation. To ensure the quickest response possible, be sure that the number on your house and can be easily seen and read from the street. Numbers 4 inches in height should be used. Placing your house number on your mailbox in large, reflective numbers can also help emergency personnel find your house quickly.



Statistics

The department responded to **557** incidents last year and saved 94.91% of the property involved in fires (\$22,072,741.00 involved - **\$21,839,141.00 saved**).

The average response time for the calls was 5 minutes 20 seconds. This is the time it takes the Fire Department to respond to the location of the incident once you have called.

The average number of fire fighters responding to calls was 8 during the day and 9 at night.

Move Right for Sirens and Lights

FIREFIGHTERS WANTED

MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN YOUR COMMUNITY BE A VOLUNTEER TODAY

The Volunteer will

1. Gain valuable training and skills in fire science
2. Obtain satisfaction in serving your community
3. Provide indispensable life saving and property protection and service to your neighbors
4. Become a member of a respected firefighting team

The Fairview Fire Department will provide

1. Training from basic to advanced levels at NO COST
2. Supply all specialized clothing and firefighting gear
3. Life insurance as well as workman's compensation
4. Opportunities to earn pay for part-time work when needed

All that you will need is the time and desire to help

Requirements to apply to the Fire Department include:

- Live with in 10 minuets of one of Our Firehouses
- Be at least 19 years of age
- Possess a valid driver license and a clean driving record
- Be able to pass a background check

**For more Information contact the Fairview Fire Department at
Engine House # 2 233-2121 or Engine House # 1 394-8484**



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Fax-618-277-0443
Phone-618-394-8484 House 1
fax-618-394-9327

Fire Safety Checklist

- **Test Your Smoke Alarm** - Install a smoke alarm on every floor of your home and inside all sleeping areas. Test the smoke alarms once a month and change the batteries twice a year.
- **Plan Your Escape** - Create and practice a home escape plan with your family. Be sure to include a meeting place once outside the home.
- **Keep Matches and Lighters in a Safe Area** - Always keep matches and lighters stored high in a locked cabinet or a locked box. Kids imitate adults, set a safe example.
- **Cook Safely** - Never leave cooking unattended and keep the cooking area clutter free. Keep children out of the kitchen while cooking.
- **Give Space Heaters Space** - Keep all combustibles three feet away from portable heaters.
- **Extinguish Smoking Materials** - Before emptying the contents of an ashtray into the trash, wet the contents to ensure complete extinguishment.
- **Electrical Safety** - Replace damaged electrical cords and repair or replace appliances that smell, smoke, or overheat.

2019 Fire Calls

Structure fires - 9
Vehicle fires - 7
Brush/Other fires - 24
Extrication/rescues - 7
Medical Assist- 13
Hazardous conditions - 53
Service calls/unauthorized burning - 82
Good intent/nothing found - 66
False alarms/system malfunction - 133
False alarms/accidental activation - 110
False calls/mischievous - 3
Mutual aid to other departments - 96
Mutual aid Received - 36

Calls From Midnight to 8:00 -91
Calls From 8:00 to 4:00 - 254
Calls 4:00 to Midnight - 211