



Delaware Fire Department

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History

Significant Dates

Department Formed in 1831

First-hand pumps in 1834

First steam engine in 1870

First full-time staff in 1870 along with “minute men”

First horse-drawn hook and ladder 1876

First full-time chief 1903-Chief C.O Jones

Early 1960’s Department members fully paid staff

History

Fire Stations

21 Fire Stations since 1831



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History

Fire Department Names-Originally Six Companies

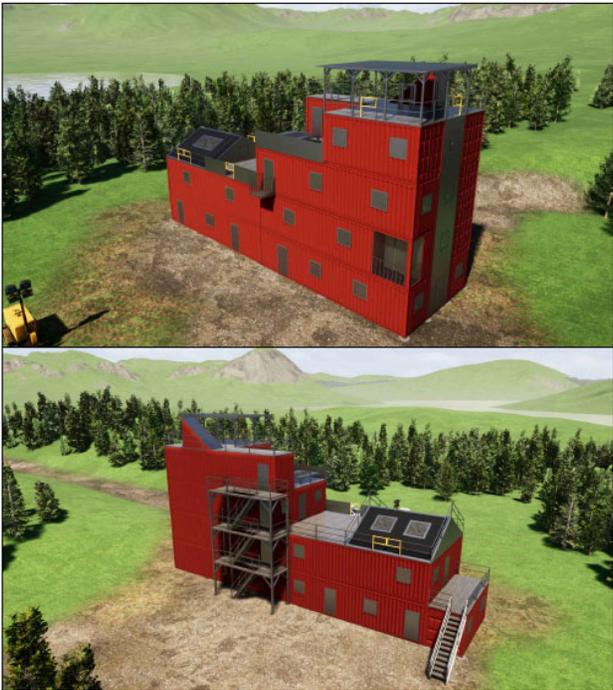
- Olentangy Engine Company
- Neptune Hose Company
- Rough and Ready Hook and Ladder Company
- Protection Company
- Washington Fire Company
- Union Company

Today's Fire Department

- 71 Personnel- 69 Sworn and 2 Civilian
- Divisions
 - Administration
 - EMS Captain
 - Service Coordinator
 - Data/GIS Analyst
 - Office Manager
 - Operations
 - 3-24 Shifts of 21, (15 on-duty minimum)
 - Risk Reduction
 - Lieutenant & Inspector
 - Professional Development/Training Captain



Funding



- Revenue – \$15.5 Million
 - City Income Tax
 - Fire Pension
 - County Sales Tax – EMS
- Expenses - \$14.9 Million
 - Personnel
 - Operations
 - Capital
 - Refunds
 - Bonds
- 2024 Large Expenses
 - Existing Assets – New Stations/Apparatus
 - Station 305/Training Tower
 - Replacement of Three Staff Cars

Administrative



- Budget
- Recruitment and Hiring
- Policy Development
- Accreditation
- Insurance Service Office (ISO) Rating
- Facility
- Vehicle Maintenance and Repair
- Fixed Assets
- Internal Affairs
- Accident/Injury
- BWC/HR Liaison
- Grants

Operations



• Responses - 2023

- 6,981 Calls Annually – Avg 19 per day
- 11 Concurrent Calls Daily
- \$841,907 Fire Loss
- 99% Save Rate
- 65% of calls within 6 minutes or 96% in First In District
- 1 Civilian Fire Casualty
- 1 Civilian Fire Fatality
- 16 Firefighter Casualties
- 3,279 EMS Transports

Operations



Fire Station 301
99 S Liberty Street

Staffing:

Engine/Rescue 301—3 Personnel

Medic 301—2 Personnel

Battalion 301—1 Personnel

Operations



Fire Station 302
683 Pittsburgh Drive

Staffing:

Crossed-Staffed by 3 Personnel

Ladder 302

Medic 302

Operations



Fire Station 303
1321 W Central Avenue

Staffing:

Staffed by up to 5 Personnel as staffing allows

Ladder 303

Medic 303

Operations



Fire Station 304
821 Cheshire Road

Staffing:

Crossed-Staffed by 3 Personnel

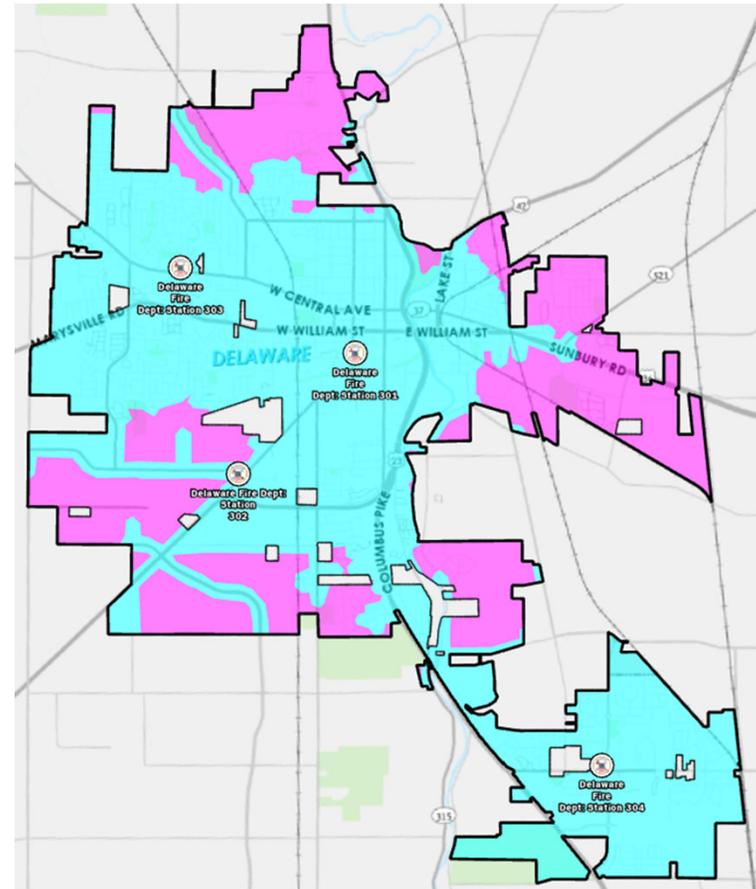
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Medic 304

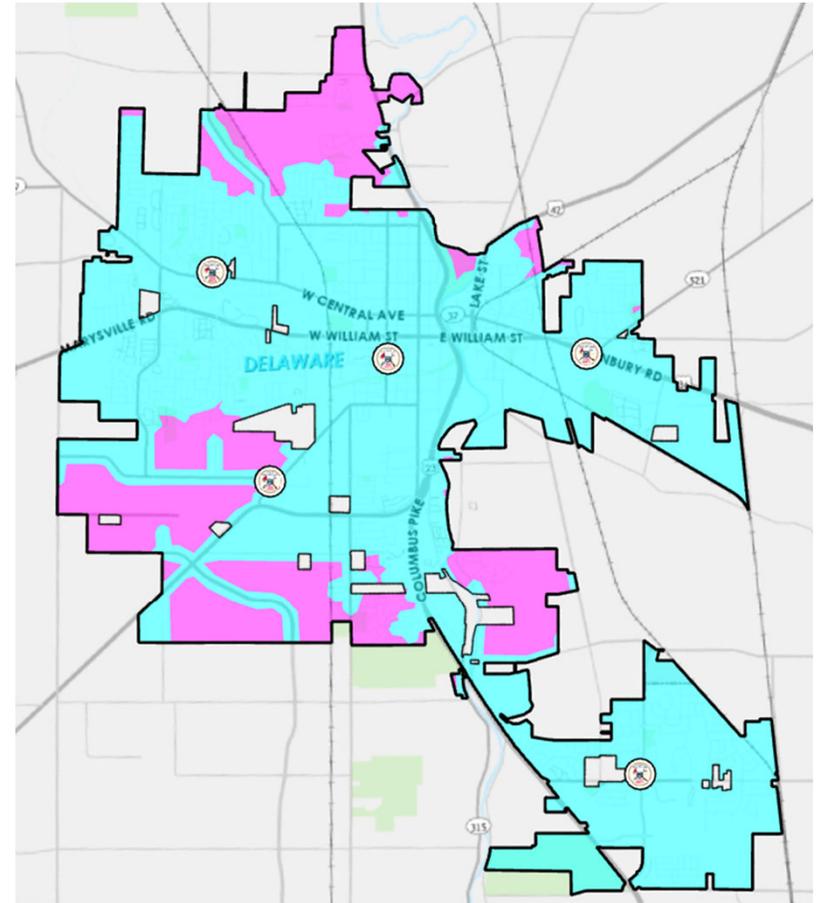
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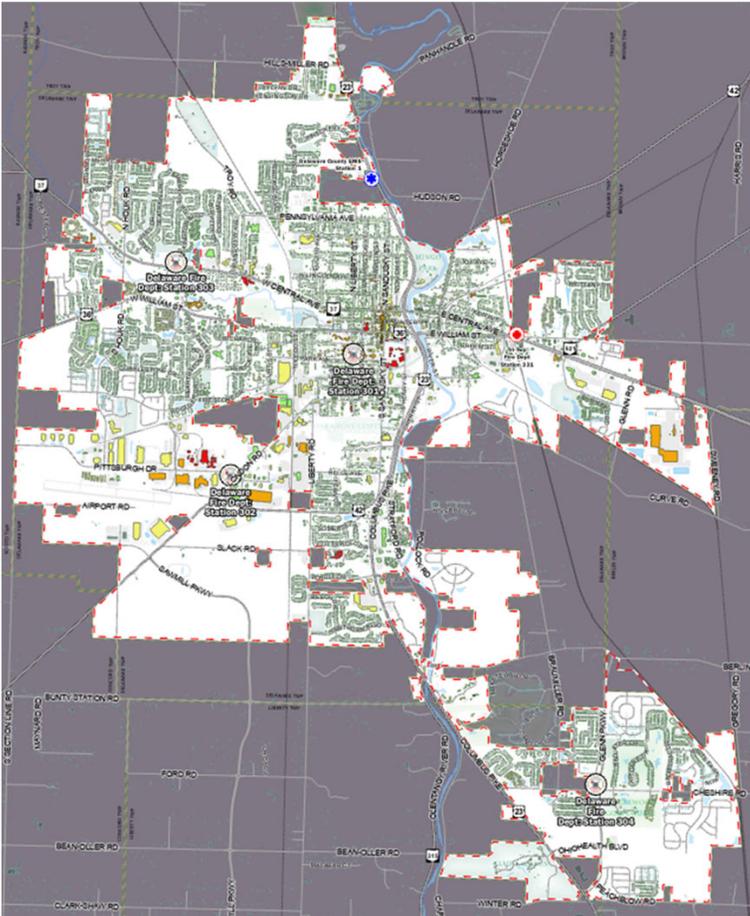
6-Minute Travel Time - 4 Stations



6-Minute Travel Time - 5 Stations



Community Structures - Risk



Risk Reduction



- Community Education
- Community Engineering/Plan Review
- Community Enforcement/Fire Inspections
- Community Economic Incentives
- Fire Investigation
- Customer Surveys
- Community Paramedicine-Service Coordination



Service Coordination

- Meals on Wheels
- Personal care
- Home chores and light housekeeping
- Handicap accessibility
- Adult day care
- Transportation assistance
- Mental Health
- Addiction Services
- Managing Medical Conditions
- Behavioral Services
- Short/Long-Term Residence

Service Coordination Data	
Opened Cases	306
Direct Referrals	231
Referrals from Firefighters	41

Professional Development



20,747 Training Hours in 2023

- New Personnel/Recruit Training
- Continuing Education-Three Year Cycle
 - Firefighter 36 Hours
 - Paramedic 86 Hours
 - Fire Inspector 24 Hours
 - Fire Instructor 24 Hours Teaching & 6 Hours Methodology
 - Total Hours =170
- Succession Planning
- Officer Development

Activities



- Apparatus Walk-Thru
- Station Tour and Turnout Gear/SCBA
- Technology Demonstration
- Fire Extinguisher/Safety Discussion/Smoke Detector Q&A