



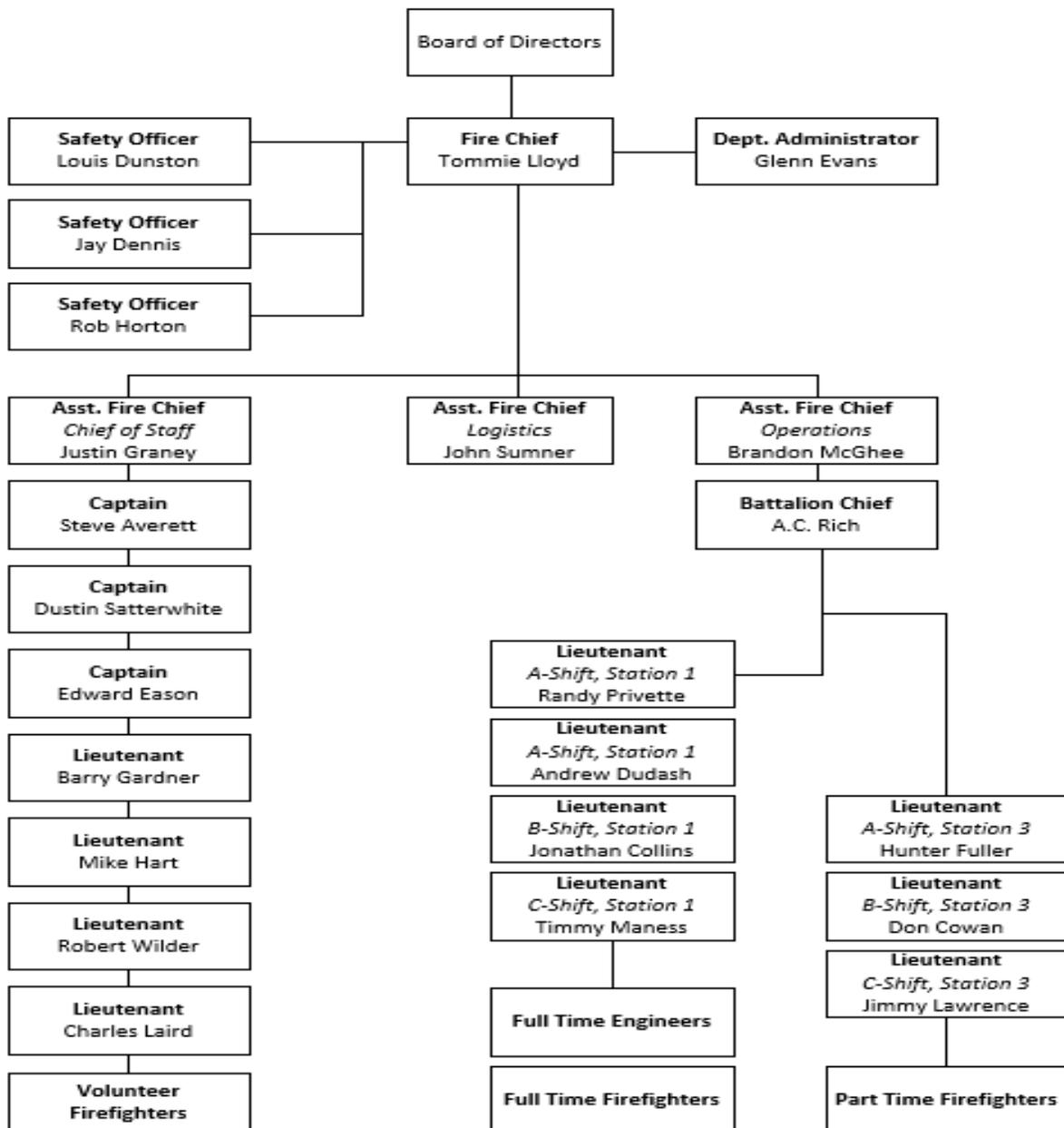
# 2020 Report

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# 2020 Department Profile

The Youngsville Fire Department provides professional fire suppression, emergency medical, light rescue, hazardous materials, and fire prevention services to southern Franklin County, North Carolina. With a rapidly growing fire district of 62 square miles, the department provides services to a mix of rural and suburban areas, and is experiencing. The department relies on the professional skills of 8 full time firefighters, 26 part time firefighters, and 42 volunteer firefighters. The department is rated as an ISO Class 4. The department has proudly protected the Western Franklin Fire District for 76 years.

## Department Structure



## Department Mission Statement

The Youngsville Fire Department is committed to preserve life and property, promote public safety and to foster growth through leadership, management and actions, and to respond to emergencies rapidly and safely, to provide appropriate intervention and community education. – *Jeff Fields*

## Department Core Values

- Honor
- Integrity
- Pride
- Duty
- Respect

## COVID-19 Infection Control Practices

The COVID-19 pandemic has affected everyone in our community. This is a time unlike anything any of us could have imagined. In 2020, the department's leadership implemented the following infectious control protocols based on guidance from the CDC and NC DHHS:

1. Face coverings are mandatory for all personnel.
2. All personnel entering a fire station are screened prior to being allowed entry.
3. Any member that isn't "on shift" or being compensated to be on duty, are not allowed inside the fire stations.
4. All apparatus and stations are regularly sanitized.
5. The department isn't attending any public events outside of incident response.

The department was very fortunate in 2020 to have no cases of infection or outbreak that were organic to the organization or its operations. Any exposures or infections were promptly mitigated and no additional spread was noted. The department's board of directors made the decision to provide all career personnel with paid administrative leave, without any deduction to the member's leave balance, if a member is placed on isolation, quarantine, or is infected with COVID-19.

At the start of 2021, members have begun to receive vaccinations which is hopefully the start of the end of this pandemic.

## Fire Stations

The Youngsville Fire Department operates three fire stations.

*Fire Station 1:* 803 Wheaton Ave.



*Fire Station 2:* 1126 Flat Rock Church Rd.



*Fire Station 3:* 6755 NC 96 Highway West.



## Apparatus

The Youngsville Fire Department owns and operates 11 apparatus and 1 antique apparatus.

Station	Unit	Type	Vehicle Specs
1	Truck 4	Utility Vehicle	2004 Ford F-250
1	Ladder 4	100' Tower Ladder	2015 Pierce
1	Engine 41	Pumper Tanker	2017 E-One
1	Engine 42	Pumper Tanker	2009 KME
1	Squad 45	Heavy Rescue	2005 KME
1	Brush 48	Brush/Wildland	2005 Chevrolet 2500 HD



Station	Unit	Type	Vehicle Specs
2	Engine 241	Pumper Tanker	2012 KME
2	Squad 245	Pump Tanker/Special Service	1999 E-One
2	Tanker 247	Tanker	1996 KME
2	Brush 248	Brush/Wildland	2005 Chevrolet 2500
2	No. 1	Antique Engine	1963 Chevrolet

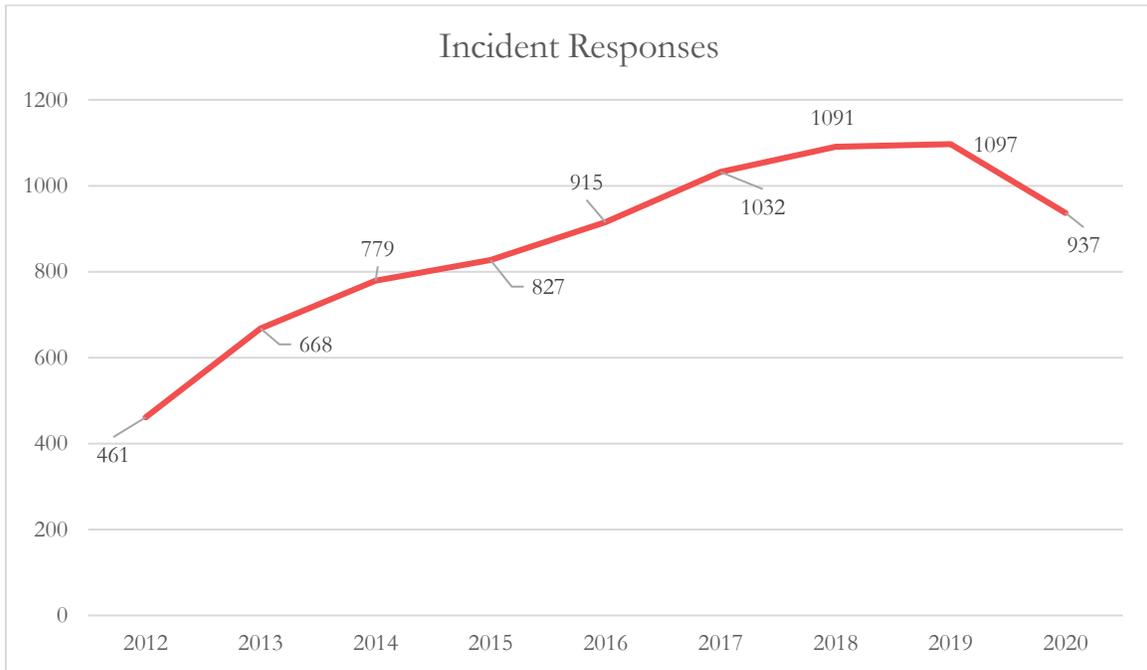


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3	Engine 341	Engine	1996 E-One
3	Tanker 347	Tanker	1996 KME

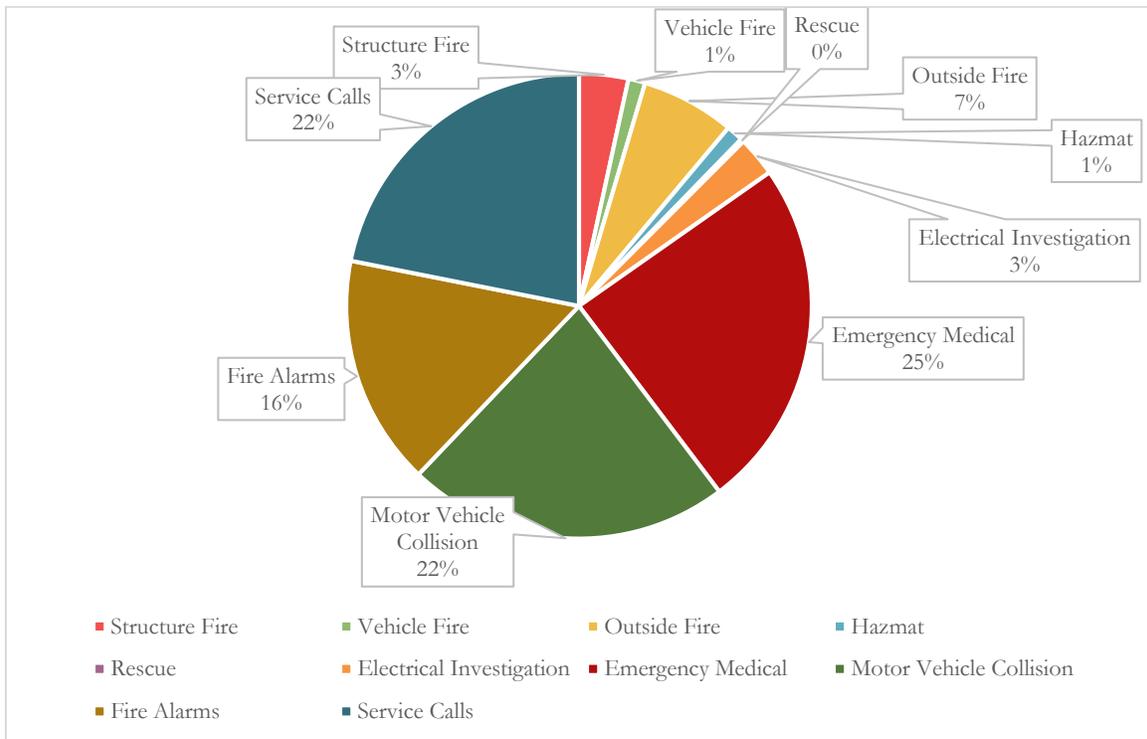


# 2020 Department Operations

The Youngsville Fire Department provides response services to include; fire suppression, emergency medical, light rescue, vehicle extrication, hazardous materials, general service, and fire prevention. In 2020, the department responded to 937 incidents. There was a 14% reduction in incident responses in 2020 over 2019 due to the COVID-19 pandemic and subsequent restrictions placed on our department and communities.



## Incident Response by Type- 2020



## Incident Response by type

Incident Type	2020 Responses
Structure Fires	32
Vehicle Fires	11
Outside Fires	61
Hazardous Materials	11
Rescue	2
Electrical Investigations	26
Emergency Medical	229
Motor Vehicle Accidents	210
Fire Alarms	150
Service Calls/Canceled	205

*Structure Fire:* This category includes any residential, commercial, kitchen, detached garage or shop, barn, or chimney fire.

*Vehicle Fire:* This category includes passenger, commercial, off road, heavy equipment, and farm equipment fires.

*Outside Fire:* This category includes grass, brush, wildland, forest, field, and illegal burning.

*Hazardous Materials:* This category includes the release or potential release of any flammable, corrosive, combustible, acidic, or any dangerous or hazardous material.

*Electrical Investigations:* This category includes any arcing wires, electrical odor, power surges, or any other electric origin emergency.

*Rescues:* This category includes any search for missing persons, jewelry removal, extrication from equipment, collapsed building response, and high or low angle rescue.

*Emergency Medical:* This category includes any response by Youngsville Fire Department EMT-Basic level to emergency and non-emergency incident to assist Franklin County EMS.

*Motor Vehicle Accidents:* This category includes any motor vehicle collision with or without injury.

*Fire Alarms:* This category includes any activation of a fire alarm detection system.

*Service Calls:* This category includes any general request for service, search for missing person, water leak, no incident found, false alarm, or canceled call.

## Staffing

Fire Station 1 is staffed 24 hours a day with a minimum of a Lieutenant, an Engineer, and a Firefighter. On nights and weekends, full-time staffing is supplemented with volunteer duty crew members.

Fire Station 2 is staffed Monday through Friday between the hours of 7am and 5pm by a full-time lieutenant and two part time firefighters. On weeknights, Station 2 is staffed by a mix of volunteer duty crew and volunteer home response. Weekends are staffed primarily with volunteer home response.

Fire Station 3 is staffed Monday through Friday between the hours of 7am and 5pm by a part time lieutenant and two part time firefighters. Nights and weekends the station is staffed by home response volunteer members.

All staff are managed by a full time Battalion Chief.

## Volunteer Duty Crew Program

The Volunteer Duty Crew Program provides an opportunity for volunteer members to provide staffing at Fire Station 1 with the career staff, providing a large financial savings to the tax payers of the fire district. Volunteer firefighters that participate in the program receive a small stipend for their time on shift. To participate, volunteer firefighters must be cleared to operate as a firefighter by completing their initial probationary training requirements. The department's continuation and expansion of the Volunteer Duty Crew Program allows for increased staffing, decreased response times, and preservation of the department's volunteer heritage. In 2020, the volunteer duty crew program was expanded to provide staffing at Fire Station 2 on weeknights to lower response times in that area, as well as to begin staffing a second apparatus when possible at Fire Station 1. Youngsville volunteers spent 6,580 man hours providing duty crew coverage in 2020. Below is a photo of the first duty crew shift at Fire Station 2.



## Training

The Training Division oversaw 8,002.5 hours of documented training in 2020; a 20% reduction in the number of training hours from 2019. This is due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the department's strict infection control procedures that have been put in place. The Training Division schedules courses that range from basic firefighting skills to advanced rescue techniques, and documents all member training each year. Members are required to obtain 36 hours of training each year by the State of North Carolina, a figure that is surpassed annually by the members of the department. Due to the pandemic, the Training Division oversaw many virtual training opportunities, as well as encouraged independent training for all members. In person training has been allowed if all COVID-19 infection control regulations are followed, and numbers cannot exceed 10 members at a time. The safety and health of our personnel remains the top priority and is essential to ensuring the continued response availability to our community.



## 2020 Department Accomplishments

- Firefighter EMT Dustin Satterwhite was promoted to Captain, Training Division, in January 2020.
- Firefighter EMT Mike Hart was promoted to Lieutenant in January 2020.
- Firefighter EMT Charles Laird was promoted to Lieutenant in January 2020.
- Firefighter-EMT Randy Privette was promoted to Lieutenant, A-Shift, Station 1 in March 2020.
- Volunteer Firefighter Colin Pruitt was hired as a Full Time Career Firefighter, assigned to A-Shift, Station 1, in March 2020.
- Firefighter-EMT Frank Ayscue was promoted to Engineer, C-Shift, Station 1, in July 2020.
- Firefighter-EMT Cole Williams was promoted to Engineer, B-Shift, Station 1, in July 2020.
- A salary study was conducted and finalized which resulted in the realignment of base salaries, the institution of a pay banding system, and ultimately resulted in annual pay raises for all full-time employees.
- The Board of Directors approved the hiring of a career officer and engineer for Fire Station 2 in 2021. Hiring will begin in Spring 2021.

## In Closing

The Youngsville Fire Department continues to rise to the occasion of protecting the ever-growing Youngsville Community, even with the challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic. We would ask our community residents to consider volunteering. We are always looking for dedicated people to join our diverse team of public safety professionals. Please visit [www.yvfd.com](http://www.yvfd.com) for information on our department and how to join, and follow us on Facebook. For 76 years, the Youngsville Fire Department has served the community with passion, dedication, and professionalism.

