

LARGO FIRE RESCUE



MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT

JANUARY 2021

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DEPARTMENT ACTIVITIES

January Incident Responses

Unit	2021	2020	UHU*	% Calls Handled by Station Units	7:30 Response Compliance Medical**	7:30 Response Compliance Fire**	% of Station Calls Medical	% of Station Calls Fire
E38	182	172	9.5%	90.7%	98%	100%	92.5%	7.50%
S38 / R38	360	303	19.6%		98%	N/A		
E39	136	152	7.4%	83.1%	94%	100%	90.6%	9.4%
S39 / R39	288	238	17.7%		97%	N/A		
E40	174	132	8.6%	91.7%	96%	100%	93.4%	6.6%
ME40 / R40	321	318	20.9%		91%	N/A		
E41	222	235	11.6%	89.5%	98%	86%	94.6%	5.4%
R41	404	405	22.4%		99%	N/A		
ME41	33	26	14.2%		83%	N/A		
T41	135	136	4.4%		N/A	100%		
T42 / E42	193	176	10.4%	84.1%	98%	90%	92.2%	7.8%
R42	334	359	20.7%		98%	N/A		
E43	167	191	9.8%	66.7%	98%	85%	87.8%	12.2%
D38	77	82	3.1%	Calls per Month YTD Over Last Year				
D41	73	93	2.6%					
LR42	152	N/A	6.9%					

Working Fires -
Trauma Alerts -
Extrication Upgrade -

Unit Types:

R-Rescue (Transport capable "ambulance")
ME-Medic Unit (Non-Transport SUV)
E- Engine
S- Squad (Heavy Rescue, Air and Lighting)
T-Ladder Truck (100' or 75' Aerial Device)
D-District Chief (Shift Commander)
LR-Rescue Lieutenant (Emergency Medical Services Supervisor)

assigned to or involved in an incident or call for service, it is measured as a

**7:30 response compliance refers to first unit on scene only, not full compliment for ISO.

	2021	2020
January	2,431	2,466
February		
March		
April		
May		
June		
July		
August		
September		
October		
November		
December		
Total	2,431	2,466

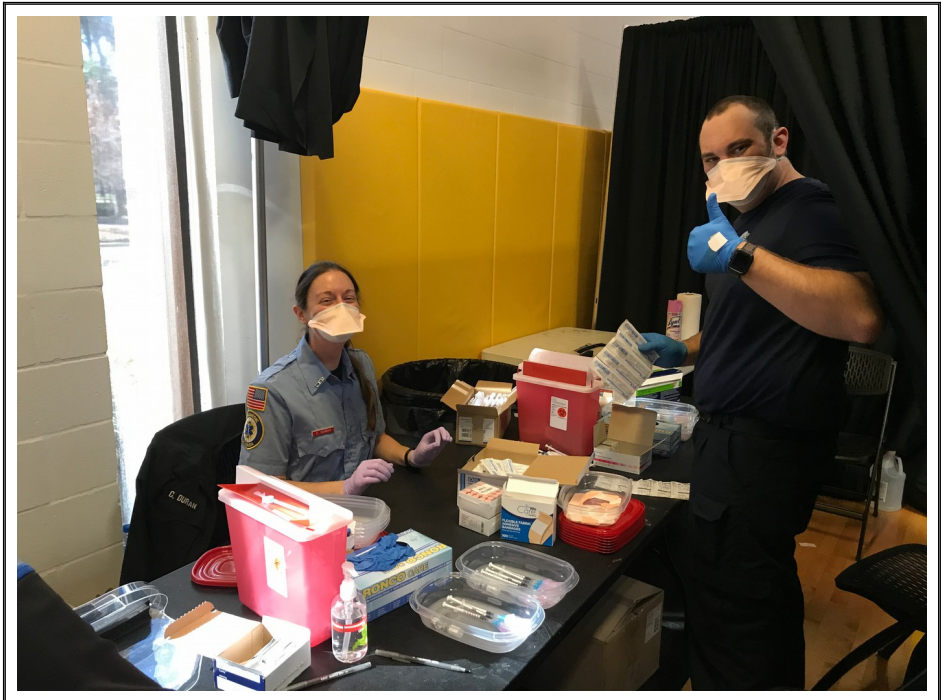
Training and Development

On a monthly basis, personnel participate in a number of fire related training events. The following is a breakdown of the monthly topics and hourly totals:

January Training Hours		December Training Hours	Previous Year to Date (2020)
Driver/Operator	350 Hours	372 Hours	6,102 Hours
Fire Officer	82 Hours	243 Hours	2,428 Hours
Fire Company Operations	1,751 Hours	3,238 Hours	24,051 Hours
Hazmat	37 Hours	110 Hours	1,333 Hours
EMS	420 Hours	393 Hours	5,374 Hours
Tech Rescue	150 Hours	2 Hours	927 Hours
SWAT Medic	84 Hours	23 Hours	496 Hours

Emergency Management

This month the Emergency Management Planning Committee, specifically the finance section, filled an application for reimbursement for COVID-19 related expenses. The application requested reimbursement in the amount of \$591,616.34. Of which, \$322,745 were for paid sick leave under the Emergency Paid Sick Leave Act which is part of the Coronavirus Response Act. Also included in the claim were \$108,000 in personal protective equipment expenses.



Over the past two weeks in a collaborative effort, Largo Fire Rescue, Largo Police Department, Recreation Parks and Art, Finance, Communications and Engagement, Engineering, Florida Department of Health, Pinellas County EMS, Sunstar, and several fire departments from surrounding municipalities successfully launched a COVID-19 vaccination site. Over the two week period ending on January 29th, 2,846 vaccines were administered to the eligible persons over the age of 65.

Public Education

For the month of January, Largo Fire Rescue reached 2,890 residents with public education and outreach efforts, and eight smoke alarms were installed.

While hosting a vaccination clinic here in Largo, a two page flyer was created to educate vaccinated patients on home fire safety, fall prevention, Pinellas County's Yellow Dot Program, Alert Pinellas, and Largo Fire's smoke alarm installation program. Upon distribution of the flyer, Largo Fire has received nearly 20 smoke alarm inquiries from the flyer, and plans to perform installations in these residences.

Other outreach events this month include a visit to Operation Par, a residential substance abuse housing program. This facility has had an influx of nuisance alarms over the past year, so a home fire safety meeting was held with residents to focus on cooking safety and awareness of the vicinity of their smoke detectors to their kitchen appliances. Residents were provided with a home fire safety packet.

A fire drill was also performed at UNI Clean with the assistance of Summer Mahr and Fire Inspector Josh Sneed. A walkthrough was performed at the facility along with drill observation. During the walkthrough, Summer and Josh found some faulty smoke alarms, and alarms with dead batteries. Batteries were replaced in the alarms on site, and recommendations were made to switch out the alarms with 10 year built in battery alarms.

Pinellas County's Yellow Dot and Vial of Life Program

Pinellas County's Yellow Dot and Vial of Life Program Kit gives you a voice when you are seriously injured or impaired and can't speak for yourself.

Complete the medical information form and place one copy in your car's glove compartment and another copy in a plastic bag on your refrigerator. Then put the Yellow Dot sticker at the bottom on the left side of your car's rear window and the Vial of Life sticker on your home's front door to tell first responders that your health care information is inside.



Request a kit:

www.pinellascounty.org/yellowdot

(727) 582-5750

Email: yellowdot@pinellascounty.org



Sign up for Alert Pinellas to receive emergency notifications from Pinellas County, such as hurricane and tornado warnings.

www.pinellascounty.org/alertpinellas

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Fall Prevention Tips to Save Your Life!

Falls are the leading cause of injury and death in older Americans. You can prevent falls!



- Improve lighting
- Exercise regularly
- Wear sturdy well fitting shoes.

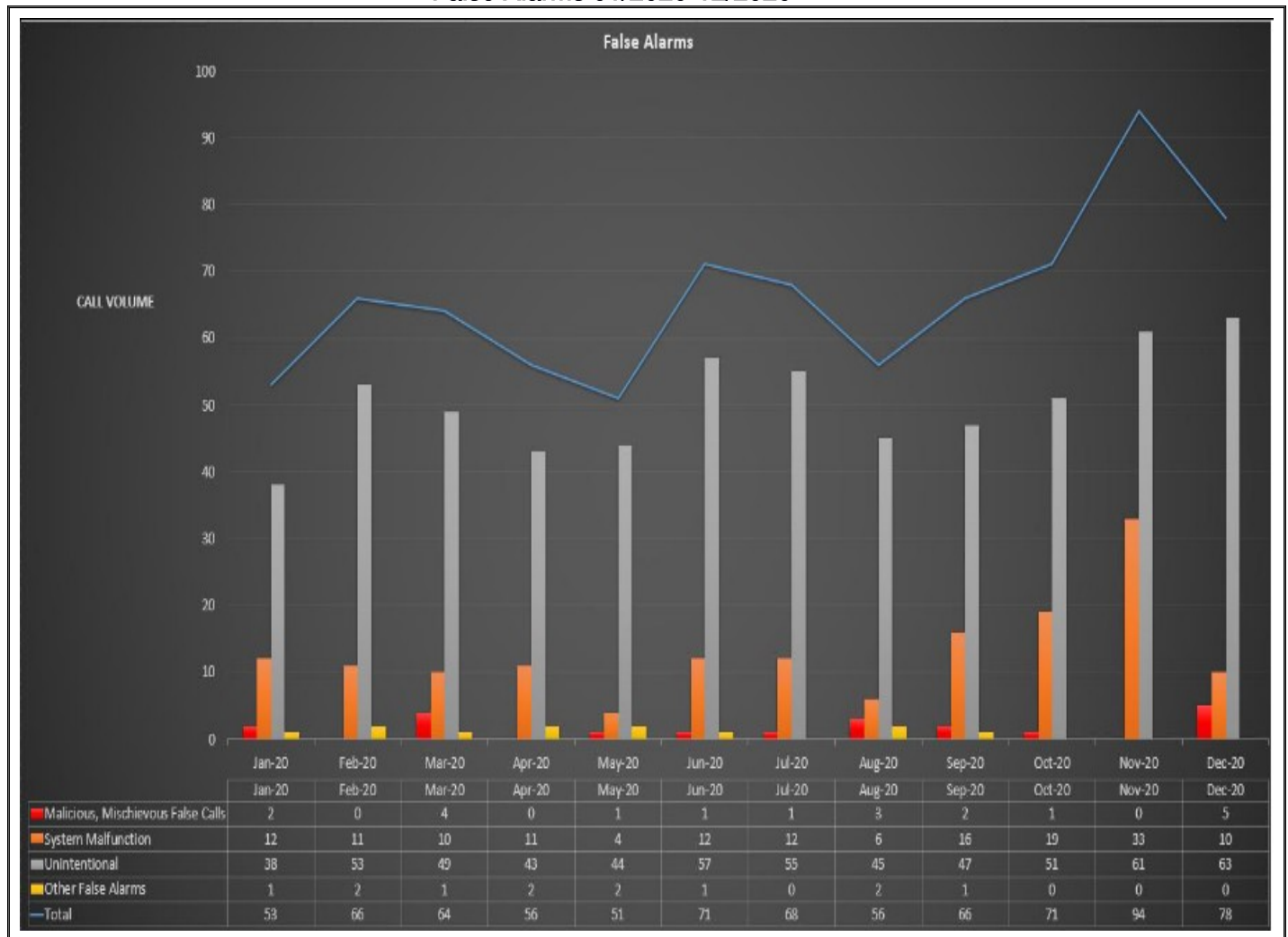


- Use non-slip mats and rugs
- Keep walking paths clear

- Take your time
- Be aware of uneven surfaces

Life Safety

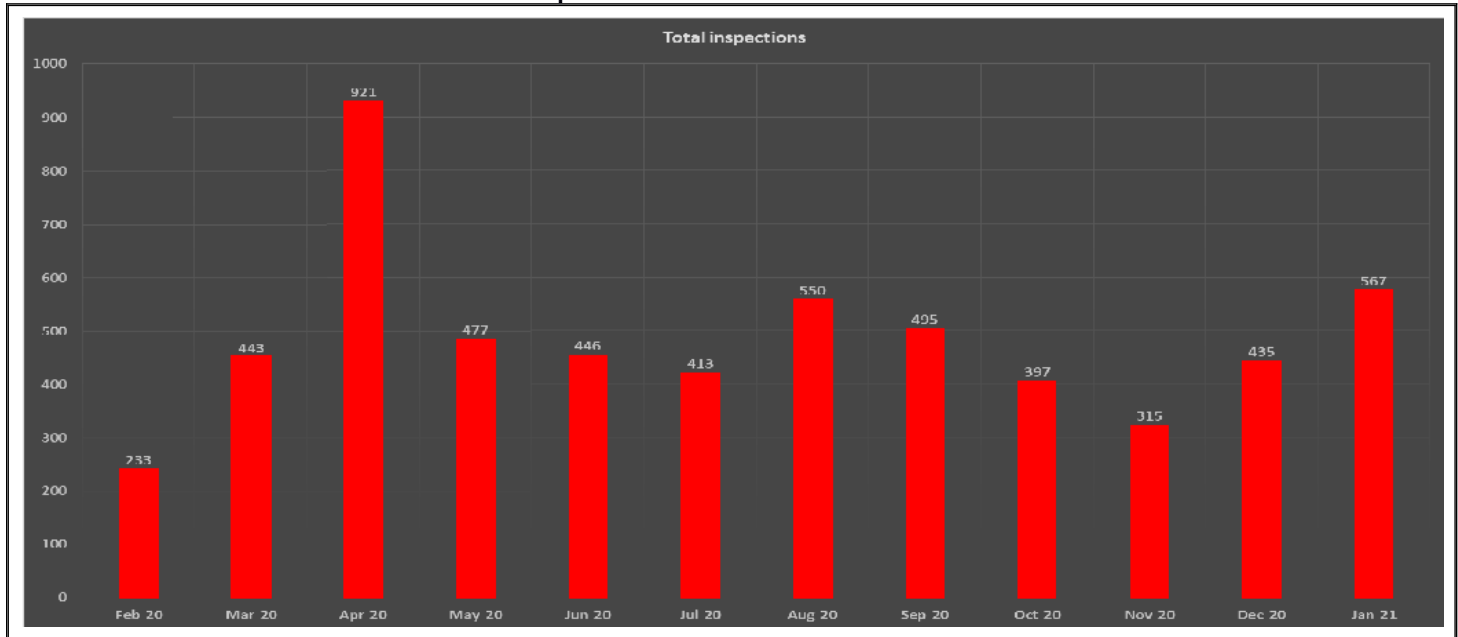
False Alarms 01/2020-12/2020



*Due to NFIRS reporting guidelines, false alarm statistics are only available one month prior to date of report.

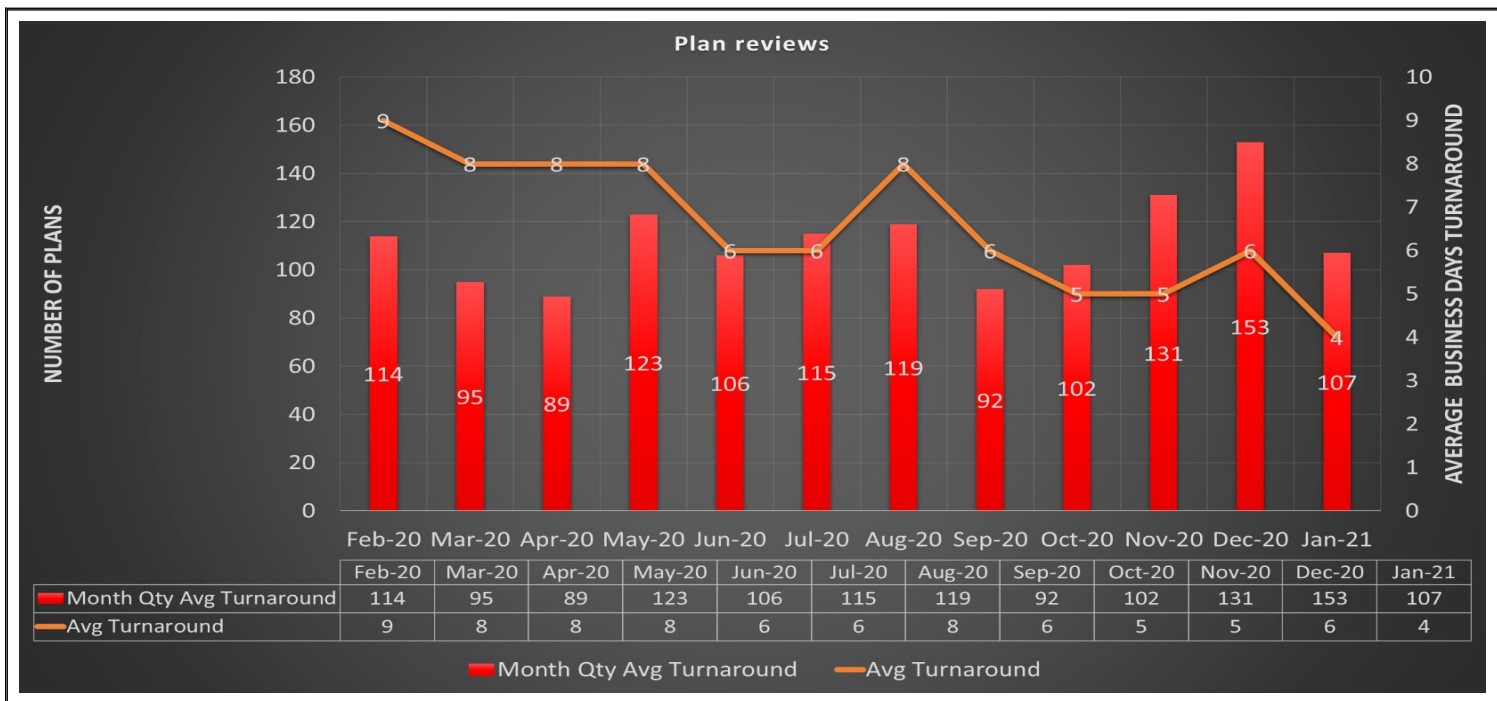
- **Malicious, Mischievous False Calls** – Intentional manual activation of the system for reason other than a true emergency. (Prank phone calls, activated fire alarm pull station when no emergency exists.)
- **System Malfunction** – System activated due to improper system performance. Activated by a malfunctioning device.
- **Unintentional** – System activated due to testing, maintenance, or power trip. Could include dust from construction.
- **Other False Alarms** – Bomb scare or unjustified alarm.

Fire Inspections 02/2020-01/2021



Fire inspections include: Permit, High Hazard, Low Hazard, and Licensed Inspections.

New Construction Re-Model Plan Reviews 02/2020-01/2021



Turnaround is based on business days, excluding holidays.

Staffing Update

For the month of January, Fire has experienced a total of 1,708 hours of overtime. Minimum staffing accounted for 863 hours of the overtime at a cost of \$32,321.15. Special events, department committees, and training account for the remainder of the overtime assignments.

Factors related to Minimum Staffing	
Vacancies	3 PMs, 1 EMT
Workers' Compensation	7 Employees
Light Duty	2 Employees
FMLA	966 Hours / 11 Employees
*Sick leave and FMLA does not always trigger a need for overtime to meet minimum staffing requirements.	

Logistics

This month, after much anticipation, the new Engine 41 was placed in service and almost immediately rolled out for its first emergency response.

Additionally, this month the department began the process of installing new cellular wireless modems in our apparatus. Several vehicles were completed, and the remainder are scheduled in the coming weeks. This new technology will allow for Automatic Vehicle Location (AVL) which uses Global Positioning System (GPS) to dispatch the closest and most appropriate emergency vehicle to a call for service. Once all vehicles have been outfitted with the new equipment the department will transition to this method of dispatching, while maintaining the current system of dispatching as a redundancy.