



## Trafford Emergency Services

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Trafford Borough Officials,

The following is a brief summary of your Fire Departments activities for **May 2021**; our projected activity for next month, Public Safety concerns, and other information you should be aware of is also included with this "Fire Chiefs' Report to Borough Council."

**Fire Department:** Responded to **19** alarms last month; attached you will find a complete breakdown of the incidents and activity for this period.

**EMS Division:** Provided **155** Non-Emergency Medical Transports for Trafford and throughout the greater Pittsburgh area. The proceeds from these transports are used to support the essential services we provide to Trafford; this is your Fire Department's PRIMARY source of income.

**Training:** Members participated or completed training last month for the following:

- National Professional Board Certification for Airport Firefighter
- National Behavioral Health Symposium.

**Fundraising:**

- First round of Fund Drive letters were mailed out in early May.
- No other fund-raising events were scheduled other than the Medical Transport Division.

**General:**

- Decontamination of the Fire Station, our vehicles & equipment, and our personnel during the Covid 19 Pandemic continues. The Coronavirus will obviously impact **Fire/EMS Operations** for the next several months. We have sufficient N95 masks and personal protective equipment for the next several months.

**Next month(s)**

- Fire Service Pump Testing for ISO Certification on June 11.
- Members will participate in a National Professional Board Certification class for Driver/Operation for Airport Rescue Apparatus at Pittsburgh International Airport Training Center June 14-19.

## Fire & Life Safety Concerns:

- Policymakers play a critical role in reducing the risk of fire, electrical, and other life safety hazards for citizens. Actions like enacting and enforcing building codes and carrying out fire inspections are examples of government efforts that have contributed to the reduction in fires and associated losses, particularly in the U.S. I urge Trafford Council to consider adopting Nationally Recognized Codes such as the International Fire Code: The purpose of building and fire codes is to ensure the quality and safety of commercial and residential building structures. These codes set the minimum requirements to safeguard the occupants of a building, and to protect the building structure from various threats and exposures. Trafford has numerous buildings and groups of buildings that are uninspected or under inspected and operate virtually unregulated. Many of the processes and products used are hazardous to life and the environment. The International Fire Code (IFC) and Life Safety Code (NFPA 101) offer guidance and regulations authored by industry experts; if adopted and enforced, these tools can help create a safer workplace and protect our citizen and our environment. The revenue related to the Permits and Processes included with these texts can offset the costs associated with inspections and enforcement. May I remind you that I included several pages with my July 2020 report regarding the Operational Permits available to us should we adopt the International Fire Code. While Trafford does not have every one of these types of activity in progress today... you would be shocked to know just how many of these potentially hazardous processes are already happening in our Borough. The fee's associated with these permits and inspection could generate thousands in revenue for the Borough; however, the increased level of protection and overall safety of our citizens and first responders would be our first priority. I continue to offer my assistance and to present these Codes and Programs to Council as they apply to specific hazards in several occupancies in Trafford TODAY, and urge we move swiftly to mitigate some of these hazards.
- For more than a year, I have reported to Council and the Mayor that vacant or dangerous structures continue to present a hazard to neighboring properties and the general public; however, to date there has been no meeting or conversation to address these concerns. Fighting Fires is inherently dangerous in any structure. These dangers are significantly increased when dealing with structures that have sat vacant for several years and may contain weakened structural components. **I continue to offer to work with Council and Code Enforcement to identify and placard these structures to warn Firefighters and the general public. I am again requesting a meeting with the Borough Council decision makers as soon as possible to expedite this process.**
- The fence erected over a year ago (September 2019) on the corner of Third Street & Cavitt Ave is still blocking fire department access to the fire hydrant located in front of this structure.

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## COVID-19 Situation Report (SITREP) for: May 2021

### Personnel Status:

No staff or volunteer member "Positive" test results for this period.

2 bunkrooms with 4 Beds are prepared and ready in the Fire Station Residence for staff quarantine; we also have the ability to flex up to 7 beds with the use of cots if needed: None of these beds are in use at this time.

- COVID-19 Exclusion Area status continues for all Fire Department areas of the first and third floors – the "NO VISITOR" policy remains in effect. Advance notice is requested should Public Works require access to these areas. DPW personnel should be made aware that the personnel working inside these areas may have been exposed to the corona virus – contact tracing is required by PADOH. We also need to sanitize after DPW departs, as we cannot confirm their status prior to their visit.

### Operations:

Our EMS Units transported 155 patients in **May 2021**, 2 of these patients were confirmed to be Positive for COVID-19 prior to transport.

Breakdown of the total confirmed positive COVID-19 patients transported:

April 2020 - 4 of 148	October 2020 – 1 of 164	April 2021 – 3 of 169
May 2020 - 16 of 166	November 2020 – 4 of 145	May 2021 – 2 of 155
June 2020 - 6 of 173	December – 14 of 159	
July 2020 - 7 of 192	January 2021 – 11 of 156	
August 2020 – 1 of 141	February 2021 – 11 of 151	
September 2020 – 1 of 188	March 2021 – 1 of 157	

### Vehicles / Apparatus:

2 Ambulances are in service (primarily in use for Non-Emergency Medical Transports) – Both ambulances are available to surge into local emergency use if requested by Borough Council or Penn Township EMS – No flex to emergency service is expected in next operational period (**June 2021**).

1 Advanced Life Support Quick Response Unit (ALS-QRS) is in service **24/7 for 911 Dispatch Emergencies**. This unit currently responds to serious medical emergencies and vehicle accidents within the Borough of Trafford. 3 other Fire Department Vehicles are in service and available.

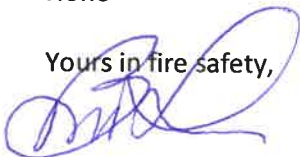
### Critical Needs:

None expected in the next operational period.

### Other Needs:

None

Yours in fire safety,



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# Trafford Fire Co. No. 1

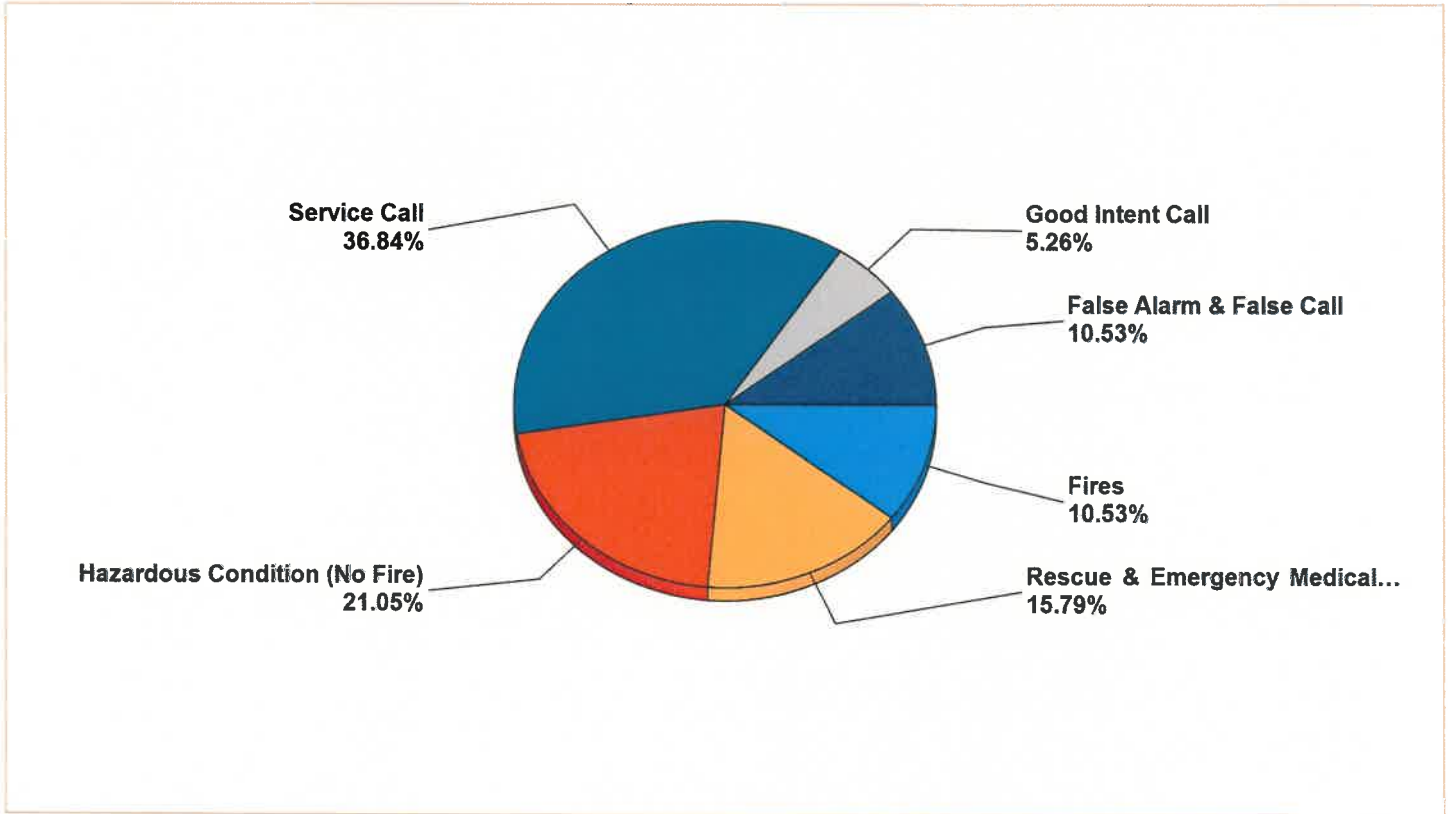
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## Breakdown by Major Incident Types for Date Range

Zone(s): All Zones | Start Date: 05/01/2021 | End Date: 05/31/2021



MAJOR INCIDENT TYPE	# INCIDENTS	% of TOTAL
Fires	2	10.53%
Rescue & Emergency Medical Service	3	15.79%
Hazardous Condition (No Fire)	4	21.05%
Service Call	7	36.84%
Good Intent Call	1	5.26%
False Alarm & False Call	2	10.53%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>100%</b>

Only REVIEWED and/or LOCKED IMPORTED incidents are included. Summary results for a major incident type are not displayed if the count is zero.



**Detailed Breakdown by Incident Type**

<b>INCIDENT TYPE</b>	<b># INCIDENTS</b>	<b>% of TOTAL</b>
100 - Fire, other	1	5.26%
111 - Building fire	1	5.26%
311 - Medical assist, assist EMS crew	1	5.26%
323 - Motor vehicle/pedestrian accident (MV Ped)	1	5.26%
352 - Extrication of victim(s) from vehicle	1	5.26%
422 - Chemical spill or leak	1	5.26%
424 - Carbon monoxide incident	1	5.26%
444 - Power line down	2	10.53%
511 - Lock-out	1	5.26%
520 - Water problem, other	2	10.53%
550 - Public service assistance, other	2	10.53%
553 - Public service	1	5.26%
571 - Cover assignment, standby, moveup	1	5.26%
611 - Dispatched & cancelled en route	1	5.26%
710 - Malicious, mischievous false call, other	1	5.26%
745 - Alarm system activation, no fire - unintentional	1	5.26%
<b>TOTAL INCIDENTS:</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>100%</b>

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# Trafford Fire Co. No. 1

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## Incident Statistics

Zone(s): All Zones | Start Date: 05/01/2021 | End Date: 05/31/2021

INCIDENT COUNT			
INCIDENT TYPE		# INCIDENTS	
EMS		3	
FIRE		16	
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>19</b>	
TOTAL TRANSPORTS (N2 and N3)			
APPARATUS	# of APPARATUS TRANSPORTS	# of PATIENT TRANSPORTS	TOTAL # of PATIENT CONTACTS
<b>TOTAL</b>			
PRE-INCIDENT VALUE		LOSSES	
\$0.00		\$0.00	
CO CHECKS			
424 - Carbon monoxide incident		1	
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>1</b>	
MUTUAL AID			
Aid Type		Total	
Aid Given		5	
Aid Received		3	
OVERLAPPING CALLS			
# OVERLAPPING		% OVERLAPPING	
0		0	
LIGHTS AND SIREN - AVERAGE RESPONSE TIME (Dispatch to Arrival)			
Station	EMS	FIRE	
Trafford Fire Co. No. 1 (Headquarters)	0:06:20	0:05:36	
<b>AVERAGE FOR ALL CALLS</b>		<b>0:06:00</b>	
LIGHTS AND SIREN - AVERAGE TURNOUT TIME (Dispatch to Enroute)			
Station	EMS	FIRE	
Trafford Fire Co. No. 1 (Headquarters)	0:03:00	0:02:00	
<b>AVERAGE FOR ALL CALLS</b>		<b>0:02:30</b>	
AGENCY	AVERAGE TIME ON SCENE (MM:SS)		
Trafford Fire Co. No. 1	37:17		

Only Reviewed Incidents included. EMS for Incident counts includes only 300 to 399 Incident Types. All other incident types are counted as FIRE. CO Checks only includes Incident Types: 424, 736 and 734. # Apparatus Transports = # of incidents where apparatus transported. # Patient Transports = All patients transported by EMS. # Patient Contacts = # of PCR contacted by apparatus. This report now returns both NEMSIS 2 & 3 data as appropriate. For overlapping calls that span over multiple days, total per month will not equal Total count for year.

