



The Cottage Grove Volunteer Fire Department Inc.
4030 Highway N • Cottage Grove, WI 53527



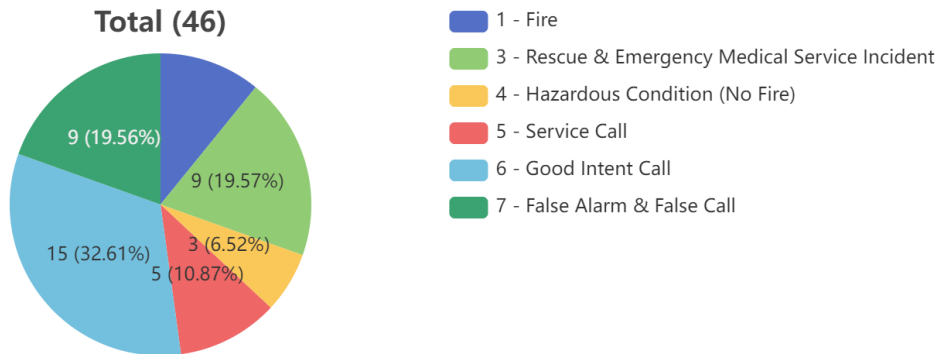
Chiefs Report

Staff Info

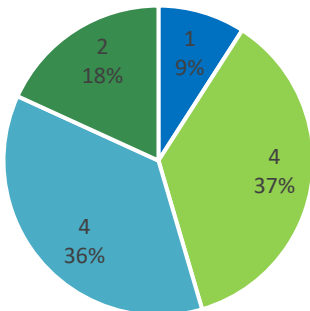
- Total Staff: 45
- Officers: 10
- Driver Operators: 2
- Firefighters: 28
- Probationary: 5

46 Calls for service as of 2/23/2023. This is an average of .85 calls per day. If this pace were to continue the estimated number of calls at the end of the year would be 311.

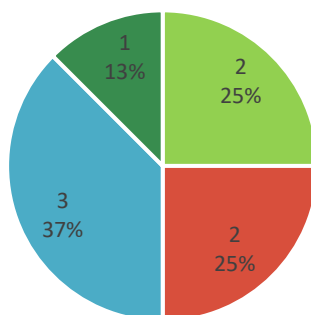
- 17 Village of CG
- 11 Town of CG
- 8 Town of PS
- 10 Mutual Aid



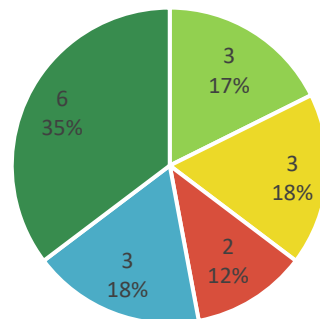
Town of CG



Town of PS



Village of CG



Apparatus Info: Car 1 has had the graphics added to it. The car has been put into service. E3 went to Reliant Fire for a minor warranty issue.

Equipment Info: We are still waiting for the new radios to come in. The air compressor that provides air for all the trucks air brakes system had a bad pressure switch. The switch was leaking air which made the compressor run continuously. This caused the compressor to overheat and begin smoking. We were able to replace the pressure switch. The compressor should be considered for replacement in the near future. The current compressor is from 1994. I suggest getting prices to replace the compressor and consider adding an air dryer system to help eliminate the moisture problem we have in the air system.



Emergency
911

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Training Information: Training for January was hose advancement, and victim packaging. Training for February is air consumption drills and facepiece fit testing.

Staff Milestones:

Dennis Larson (2/1989): 34 Years

Tom Laude (2/2020): 3 Years

Jake Vetter (2/2022): 1 Year

Paul Wendricks (2/1998): 25 Years

Other News: The department added one new member, Isaac Tomlinson, in February. The department submitted an AFG grant for several items. The grant included adding SEMS II units to all our SCBA's. The SEMS II units will allow us to track all air packs on the fire ground and monitor the amount of air left in the pack along with tracking PASS alarm activations. The second item in the grant is Advanced Critical Incident Stress Debriefing and Group Intervention, De-escalation Skills, Stress Management for the Trauma Provider, and Understanding Suicide- Tools for Prevention Trainings. The department currently has a Peer Support team, and this training will provide the team members more tools to help support our members in need and tools to take care of their own needs. The third item in the grant was funding to remodel the upstairs member room. The remodel is to provide a space for peer support activities and a space for members to gather. The items in this year's grant were chosen because they align with AFG's current priority list and our current needs. The flooring project in the basement has been completed.