



Hocking Township Fire Department

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2024 Annual Report



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Mission Statement

The mission of the Hocking Township Fire Department is to serve the citizens of Hocking Township with professional rapid emergency response and other services that save lives and protect property.

Core Values

Safety

In striving to protect the lives and well-being of our community and our co-workers.

Professionalism

In people who are dedicated, compassionate, trustworthy, and who act with honesty and integrity.

Respect

For our community and ourselves, while consistently exhibiting courtesy and compassion for those in need.

Innovation

Via an environment that allows new ideas and positive change to better serve our community.

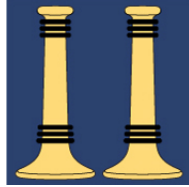
Department Leadership Organizational Chart



Fire/EMS Chief
Curtis Golden



**Assistant
Fire Chief**
Steve Kilbarger



Captain 651
Dave Cramer



Lieutenant 651
Kyle Parlier
Fleet Maintenance



OPEN
*EMS Training
Coordinator*



Captain 652
Eric Keener



Lieutenant 652
Ryan Smith
EMS Supervisor



Connor Stewart
Fire Coordinator



Geoff Perry
*Fire Inspector
Coordinator*



Lieutenant 653
Michael Bell
*Health & Wellness
Coordinator*



OPEN
Coordinator

Member	Level Of EMS Cert	Level of Fire Cert	Officers
Bartlett, Joshua	EMT-P	VFF	
Bell, Michael	EMT-A	FF2	Lieutenant
Breneman, David	EMT-B	VFF	
Brewer, Owen	EMT-P	FF2	
Camacho, Sharon	EMT Student	VFF	
Camacho, Maria	EMT-B	VFF	
Conkel, Samuel	EMT-B	FF2	
Copeland, Ryan	EMT-B	FF2	
Cramer, David	EMT-A	FF2	Captain
Creed, Caleb		FF Student	
Deyo, Lucy		VFF	
Gillespie, Steve		FF1	
Golden, Curtis	EMT-A / RN	FF1	Chief
Green, Amanda	EMT-P	FF2	
Hartman, Colton	EMT-B	FF2	
Heilman, Chris	EMT-B	FF2	
Holiday, Nehemiah		VFF	
Huff, Samantha	EMT-B		
Keener, Eric	EMT-P	FF2	Captain
Kilbarger, Steve	EMT-B	FF2	Assistant Chief
Kirby, Will	EMR		
Kowalski, Michaela	EMT-B	FF1	
Levan, Andrew		VFF	
McKibben, Chris	EMT-B	FF2	
McKibben, Shelby	EMT-B	VFF	
Neighbarger, Harley	EMT-B	FF2	
Parlier, Kyle	EMT-B	FF2	Lieutenant
Perry, Geoffrey	EMT-P	FF2	Fire Inspector
Shepard, Jacob	EMT-P	FF2	
Shonebarger, Rachel	EMT-P	FF2	
Simpkins, Connor	EMT-B		
Smith, Ryan	EMT-P	FF2	Lieutenant
Starner, Nicholas		FF Student	
Stewart, Grant	EMT-P	FF2	
Stone, Brandon	EMT-B	FF1	
Swartz, Connor	EMT-B	FF2	Coordinator
Wallace, Kaitlin	EMT-B	VFF	
Wilson, Devin		FF Student	
Wolfe, Robert	EMT Student	FF1	

Department Vehicles



Truck Identification

Medic/Squad 651 & Medic/Squad 652



Engine/Rescue 651



Engine/Tanker 652



Grass 651



Station Truck 652



UTV 652



Medic/Squad 653 (Reserve)



Run Volumes by Year

YEAR	EMS Calls	Fire Calls	Year Total
2024	624	497	1121
2023	615	273	888
2022	624	223	847
2021	659	218	877
2020	611	223	834
2019	460	252	712
2018	496	187	681
2017	497	174	671
2016	488	168	656
2015	515	168	666
2014	485	112	597
2013	412	118	530
2012	302	120	422

Major Department Accomplishments 2024

- Department maintained a decreased ISO (Insurance Service Office) rating to a 4/4y.
- Fire Inspection program continues and all business, churches and hazardous areas. The department had a total of 38 inspection completed during 2024.
- Community CPR events were held at local business events. We placed 1 AED in the community at DA QUE BBQ. All of their staff were trained in CPR and Narcan use.
- The department and its members participated in multiple community events including education to local daycares in the township, 4-H clubs, girl scout troops and participated in multiple parades.
- 4 Full-Time firefighters start in January 2023, made possible with grant funding, continued through 2024.
- Great Save Awards (EMS Life Saving Awards) – x2
- We applied and were awarded multiple grants throughout 2024; however, we have seen decreasing award amounts from multiple organizations.



- Became recognized with the NVFC as a Psychologically Healthy Fire Department.
- A Tax Levy was placed on the ballot for November 2024 and was not passed. The board of trustees will work on revisiting a levy for 2025 voting to maintain operating costs and to maintain the current level of services provided by the fire department.