



PRINCE ALBERT FIRE DEPARTMENT YEAR IN REVIEW

2021

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2021 PAFD Year in Review

Staffing Highlights:

- The Prince Albert Fire Department consists of:
 - Forty-nine (49) uniformed members plus one (1) Administrative Professional
 - Seven (7) out of scope personnel
 - (1) Fire Chief
 - (1) Deputy Chief
 - (4) Battalion Chiefs
 - (1) Administrative Manager
 - Forty-three (43) in scope personnel (IAFF 510)
- Full time, career department operating from one (1) location
- Two (2) Probationary Firefighters were hired from the 2020 Recruit selection process.

Fleet/Equipment Change:

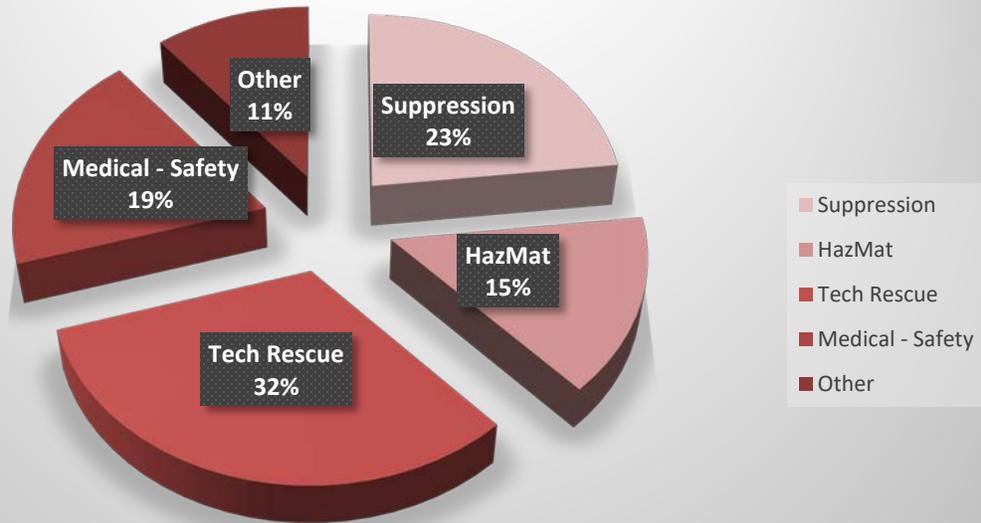
- The Fire Department added eight (8) Scott X3 Pro Self Contained Breathing Apparatus to our firefighting inventory at a cost of approximately \$82,000. These SCBA are part of an on-going SCBA replacement program to replace our stock of discontinued Scott AP50s. Currently the Fire Department has 8 AP50- SCBA built between 1992 and 2002. Prince Albert Fire will continue to budget to replace all remaining AP 50's.
- Prince Albert Fire Department in conjunction with Fleet Service tendered and received a 2021 Dodge Durango (C22). C22 replaces a 2001 Ford Escape. C22 was delivered and placed into service in July 2021.

Training / Safety

- All members attended and participated in “Road to Mental Readiness” (R2MR) training.
- All Operations Staff attended and received 40 hours of Medical First Responder training.
- Operations Staff attended an online PSP (Public Service Personnel) Wellbeing Course from the University of Regina.
- 6 Members participated in 48 hours of Critical Incident Stress Management training, and became certified CISM Peer Support Members.
- 4 members attended 24 hours of instruction and achieved their Incident Command Systems – ICS Level 300.
- All Platoons participated in various workshops and training relating to hazardous material response and mitigation.
- Staff participated in a mock exercise involving hazardous materials, along with representatives from Cameco, Northern Resource Trucking and Transport Canada.
- Regular platoon training exceeded **5261.5** total person training hours
 - Fire / Suppression Training accounted for 23% of the total hours
 - HazMat Training accounted for 15% of the total hours
 - Technical Rescue Training accounted for 32% of the total hours
 - EMS / Safety training accounted for 19% of the total hours
 - Other training accounted for 11% of the total hours



Annual Training Hours by Discipline 2021



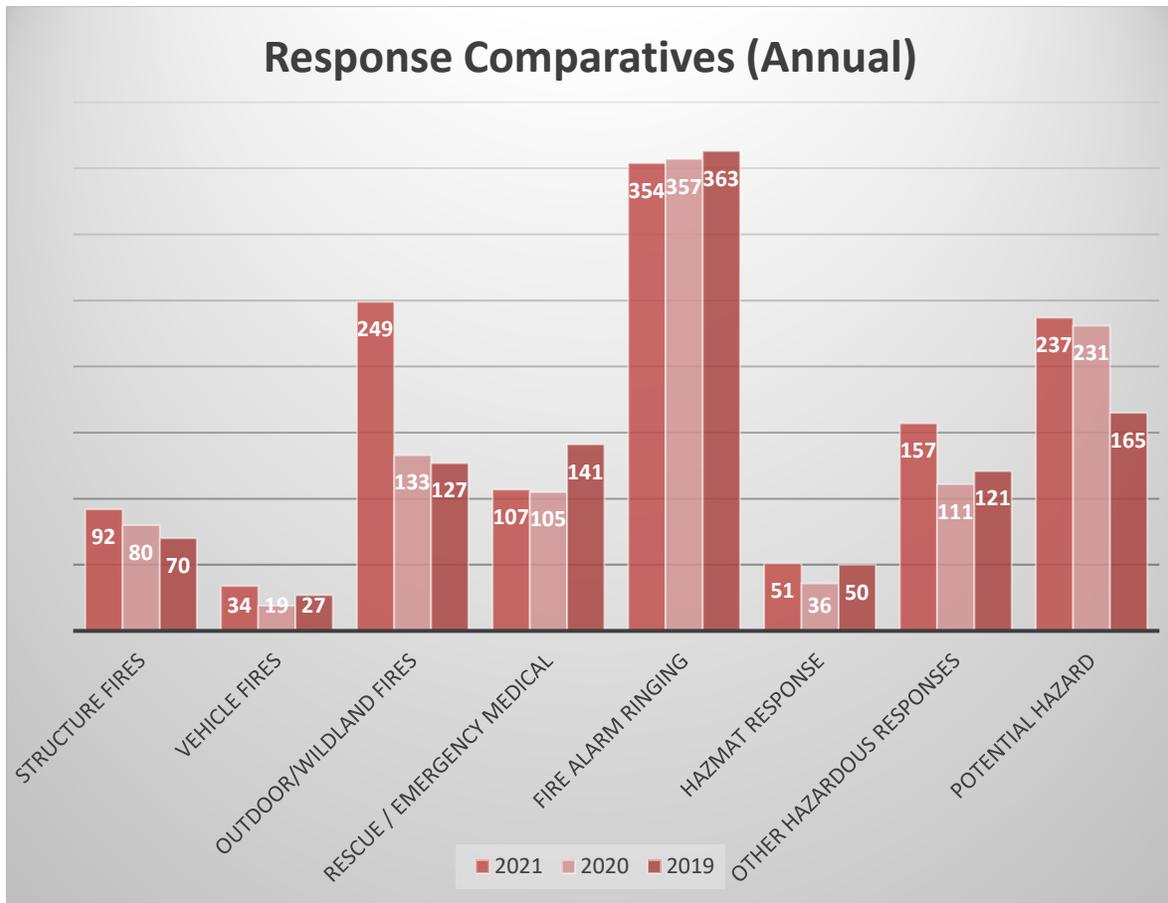
Response Statistics (Suppression Division)

- In 2021, the PAFD responded to 1283 calls for assistance, inclusive of responses to the RM of Prince Albert.

Type	2021	2020	2019	% Change Over Previous Year
Structure Fires	92	80	70	15%
Vehicle Fires	34	19	27	79 %
Outdoor / Wildland Fires	249	133	127	87 %
Rescue / Emergency Medical	107	105	141	2 %
Fire Alarms Ringing (no fire)	354	357	363	-1%
Haz-Mat Response	51	36	50	42 %
Other Hazardous Responses	157	111	121	41 %
Potential Hazard Responses	237	231	165	3 %
Total Responses	1283	1072	1064	19%

*** "Other Hazardous Responses" includes motor vehicle collisions with no entrapment, carbon monoxide calls, and possible smell of natural gas calls.

*** "Potential Hazards" are incidents that the department was called to, but did not have a threat to public safety. For example; a response to someone in the River, but they were able to exit on their own.



Response Statistics (RM of Prince Albert)

- The Prince Albert Fire Department responded to Thirty-Nine (39) calls for service in the RM of Prince Albert in 2021 (an increase of 64% over 2020). A breakdown on the calls for service are as follows:

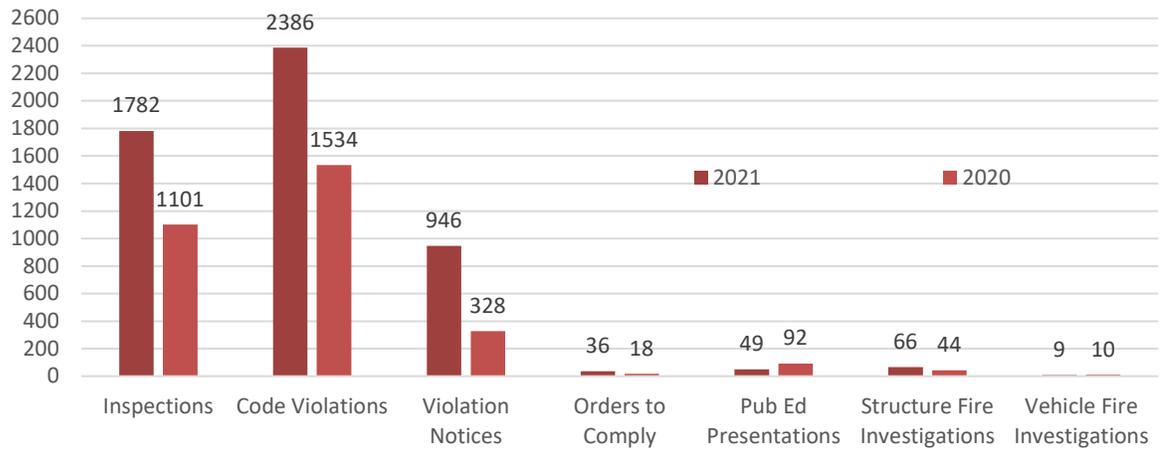
Structure fire	3
Brush or brush-and-grass mixture fire	8
Extrication, rescue, Other	8
Grass fire	8
Outside rubbish, trash or waste fire	3
Passenger vehicle fire	8
Wellness Check	1
Total	39

Prevention / Inspections Division

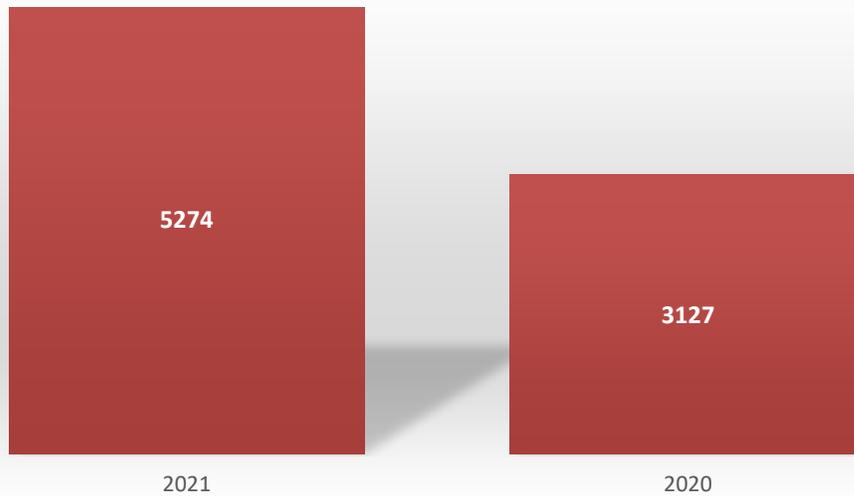
2021 Inspection Division Annual Report				
Activity Type	% Change from Previous Year			
	2021	2020	2019	2021 - 2020
Inspections	1782	1101	837	62%
Code Violations	2386	1534	1773	56%
Violation Notices	946	328	600	188%
Orders to Comply	36	18	17	100%
Pub Ed Presentations	49	92	131	-47%
Structure Fire Investigations	66	44	36	50%
Vehicle Fire Investigations	9	10	14	-10%
Total Inspection / Prevention Activities	5274	3127	3408	69%

- *Orders to Comply* are typically resolved prior to taking further action.
- Most common violation noted from inspecting multi-residential and businesses occupancies are primarily *Portable Fire Extinguisher 'Due for Service'* (Section 6.2.1.1 (1)) , Fire Separation Deficiencies (Section 2.2) and Emergency Lighting/Exit Signs (section 2.7.3 of the National Fire Code of Canada).
- Public Safety Compliance Inspections took place monthly and inspectors have been working with licensed establishment owners to ensure their occupancies are in compliance with code.

Inspection Division Annual Comparison



Total Inspection / Prevention Activities



- The Prevention and Suppression Divisions conducted 49 Public Fire Safety presentations to various groups in the City.

Public Fire Safety initiatives include:

- Fire Safety Plan Creation Assistance.
 - Approved Home Operators Fire Safety Presentation.
 - Fire Safety Talk for New Immigrants and Seniors.
 - School Presentations.
 - Babysitting Course.
 - Ice Safety.
 - Fire Hall Tours.
 - Daycare Fire Safety Presentations.
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- Three Emergency Demolition Orders were issued in 2021.

Financial

Details of the financial position of the Fire Department are captured in the 2021 Consolidated Financial Statement for the City of Prince Albert.

Other Notables:

- Continued with an enhanced prescriptive burn program to strategically burn targeted grasslands areas to reduce the available fuels available for malicious ignitions.
- In coordination with Community Services selected drainage ditches were burnt to help control the spread of the Himalayan Balsam.
- Fire Crews performed Thirty-Four (34) outdoor truck tours and drive bys as an alternative to our open house and other pre-COVID activities.

