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Our vision is to provide the safest living and working environment by eliminating the loss of life and property. We want to prevent injuries through educational partnerships with our community.

Department's Mission

The City of Rochester Fire Department is a public safety organization that provides fire, rescue, and emergency services to a diverse community. We are committed to the preservation of life, property, and the environment. Through education and public awareness programs, we enhance the quality of life and the safety of the citizens we proudly serve.



LETTER FROM THE FIRE CHIEF



Floyd A. Madison Fire Chief

On behalf of the men and women of the Rochester Fire Department, I am pleased to present the 2006 Annual Report to the citizens of Rochester, Mayor Robert Duffy and his cabinet and the members of City Council.

The report will verify the Rochester Fire Department's commitment to delivering high quality emergency and non-emergency services while operating in a fiscally responsible manner. With the continued support and tireless efforts and loyalty of our staff, I am confident that we can meet all fiscal and operational challenges as the Department continues to maintain our current levels of service.

I pledge to the citizens that the Rochester Fire Department will continue its traditions of dedicated service, excellence, courage and pride in protecting the more than 220,000 people who live, work and visit our community every day.



John Caufield
Executive Deputy Chief

City / Department Stats

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Population
Number of fire stations
of RFD Employees541
Firefighters
Officers127
Civilians 26
of City Employees (full time) 2,963
City Budget FY 2006-07 \$424,489,000
RFD Budget FY 2006-07\$41,139,700

FIRE CHIEF'S OFFICE

The Fire Chief's Office is responsible for the overall management of the Department. These responsibilities include the establishment of personnel standards and policies, work schedules, public relations and the continuous review of operations and performance. Other areas of responsibility focus on fiscal control, personnel management, resource procurement and the coordination of the annual operating and capital improvement budgets.

The Fire Chief's Office expects and encourages professional development by all members of the Department. Standards, guidelines and procedures are continuously reviewed and challenged as a result of new ideas and information brought to the table by officers and firefighters.

Throughout the annual report a number of initiatives are highlighted that were conceived and developed in the Fire Chief's Office. These include the Adopt-A-School, CO detector installation, open house, CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) and WMD programs. Often times the impetus for the development of programs such as these comes from conversations with citizens and community groups that continually meet with the Fire Chief and staff from his office.

The following initiatives were some of the highlights for 2006:

The Department adopted the NFPA's Remembering When Program, a fire and injury prevention program for adults. We are working with nine agencies and residential complexes that work with senior citizens. The added work load of this program and the success of our Risk Watch Program have resulted in our Department bringing on a second Community Outreach Specialist.

The Department received a \$23,000 fire prevention and safety grant from the Department of Homeland Security. The funds were used to purchase materials

for our Risk Watch Program. This program is now in use in 15 public schools in the City.



Although this generous \$1000 check was made out to the Monroe County Fire Department, it was actually for the Rochester Fire Department. Francis Cordero and Chief Madison gladly and gratefully accepted it for the Department's Risk Watch Program.

Thanks to the support of Mayor Duffy's administration and City Council, the Fire Department was able to begin a comprehensive recruitment plan. Working with the Bureau of Human Resources and the Office of Communications, a series of eye catching posters and pamphlets were produced for use by two firefighters assigned to act as full time recruiters. The Department's goal is to increase diversity within the Department so as to better reflect the population it serves.

Several operating units report directly to the Fire Chief and assist him in the day to day operations of the Department: Budget, Video, Public Information, Personnel, Payroll, Medical Case Management, Risk Watch, CREU and Planning and Research.

Budget

The Budget Office supervises the preparation and administration of the annual budget and other

FIRE CHIEF'S OFFICE

appropriations. It maintains financial records and reports, enforces purchasing policies and standards and collects and stores all financial records.

Public Information

The Public Information Office issues press releases, schedules news conferences, arranges public appearances and provides information and background material to the news media.

Personnel

Personnel is responsible for processing the hiring of new recruits and facilitating lateral transfers. The

unit oversees the recruitment and background process, monitors position vacancies, processes personnel requisitions and meets with the Civil Service Commission as necessary

Medical Case Management

Case Management provides technical and administrative support in the overall management of employee medical situations including employment leave, employee attendance and job performance. This office manages medical cases for active duty, disabled and retired employees.

Risk Watch

Risk Watch is a comprehensive injury prevention program designed and supported by the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA). For children ages 14 and under, the number one health risk is injuries. Unintentional injuries are the leading cause of death for children ages one to 14 in the U.S.

The Department's Risk Watch office

began operations in 2005. The Outreach Specialists work to have an impact on injuries through prevention and community education programs. They conduct injury prevention programs in nonfire related areas by utilizing the NFPA Risk Watch Program. Risk Watch consists of a number of modules directed primarily toward children in areas such as poison prevention, bicycle and pedestrian safety and fall prevention. Our goal is to reduce injuries in the community by working closely with schools, child care providers, women's shelters, hospitals and burn centers.



On August 24, 2006, Chief Madison presented a plaque to Howard Shames, of Rochester Midland Corp. and a representative of One Community, a coalition of businesses on Hollenbeck St., located in the 14621 area. The plague was presented during a carnival in recognition of One Community's pioneering efforts to provide assistance and develop a safe and stronger community for the families and children in their neighborhood. After a series of problems with buildings being vandalized and stolen cars being parked on their property, the employees and administration of Rochester Midland Corp., Xerox Managed Services, McAlpin Industries, JC Fibers, and Corporate Express decided to reach out to the youths and their families in the neighborhood instead of hiring security firms and installing bars on windows. Each summer One Community plans activities that range from team sports and safety presentations to a talent show and carnival. Rochester firefighters and CREU make visits during the summer.

FIRE CHIEF'S OFFICE

CREU

The Community Relations and Education Unit (CREU) continues its mission of educating the public about fire safety and prevention and increasing awareness of health and life safety issues. It accomplishes this through presentations, neighborhood canvasses, participation in community events and the installation of smoke and Carbon Monoxide (CO) detectors.

Rochester has the largest deaf population per capita in the U.S. CREU installs special smoke alarms for Rochester's deaf and hard of hearing community. A strobe light and a vibrator disk alert deaf and hard of hearing residents to fire and smoke in their house or apartment. Another style of smoke detector that CREU installs is the Kidsmart Vocal Smoke Alarm. These detectors are designed to alert children by combining an alarm with a prerecorded message from a parent or guardian. Studies have indicated that some children are more responsive to the voice of a parent than a traditional alarm sound. The Rochester Fire Department embraces any new technology that helps it better serve the community.

In 2006, CREU accomplished the following:

- 922 fire safety presentations conducted
- ♦ 27,338 contacts made
- 1983 children went through the W-Kids fire safety house (469 tours given)
- 1817 smoke/CO detectors and batteries installed (1027 by CREU)
- \$7,250 in cash donations was secured from State Farm and Walmart to purchase educational materials
- 4 143 streets were canvassed

CREU also obtained new furnishings for the W-Kids fire safety house and purchased an animated dalmatian dog robot and a Buzz-E animated smoke alarm.

Planning & Research Division

The Planning and Research Division analyzes and evaluates operations and programs, and assists in the implementation of new policies, procedures and practices. The records management system function of the Department is centralized within the Division and it is responsible for the acquisition, testing and installation of all computer hardware and

software applications. The Division serves as the logistical contact to the Bureau of Information Services (BIS) and works in conjunction with BIS staff to manage the operations of the Department's computer network.



BC Stephen McClary

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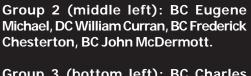
Research was tasked with the Department wide implementation of the Mayor's Rochester by the Numbers initiative. They preform regular, routine analysis of general specific data pertaining to emergency incidents, code enforcement, safety and prevention education and fire investigation.

Planning and Research coordinated the annual inventory process as well as the implementation of the 2006 Hydrant Inspection Program. Margaret Popolizio was instrumental in the desktop publishing of the annual report, Risk Watch brochures, open house posters, ceremonial program guides, budget proposal documents and a variety of other printed material related to administrative operations. Firefighter Jose Montes continued to provide technical assistance to all Department members for computer related issues that entailed user awareness, hardware malfunctions and software upgrades. Firefighter Montes was also detailed to perform background investigations for all individuals considered for the recruit class of fall 2006.









BC Dennis Prevost, DC Robert Wegman,

BC Martin McMillan.

Group 3 (bottom left): BC Charles Stadler, DC Anthony Infantolino, BC David Bagley, BC Robert Vallone.

Group 4 (top right): BC Joseph Candelaria, BC Glenn Sheremeta, BC Ronald Mendolera, DC Salvatore Mitrano III.

Not pictured: BC Michael Dupra, BC William Valentine and BC Darryl Winter.

The Suppression Division, under the command of the Executive Deputy Chief, responds to all emergency incidents within the 36 square miles of the City of Rochester. There are 15 fire stations with an average of 113 firefighters and officers assigned to each of four groups. Front line apparatus includes nine quints and midis, eight engine companies and a heavy rescue unit. Approximately 81% of the total Fire Department budget is allocated to fire suppression activities.

The Fire Department has eight specialty teams made up from the 16 Suppression companies. They are dispatched on an as needed basis to unconventional emergencies. Each team receives specialized training, and when dispatched, becomes the lead company at the scene.

Training:

Each firefighter is required to complete 200-hours of quarterly training. This is in addition to the specialized training they have to take part in if their company is designated as a speciality team. Training for a specialized area of expertise requires an additional 200 hours per specialization. The following is a listing of their mandated and specialized training:

- Downed Firefighter Rescue Evolutions
- Foam Training

- ♦ Right to Know and Blood Borne Pathogens
- Respiratory Protection and Exposure Control
- ♦ Fire Inspection Familiarization
- Haz Mat Refresher
- NYS In-Service Quarterly Training
- ♦ Vehicle Extrication
- High Rise Training
- Emergency Medical Training

Prevention:

Firefighters spend many hours in their districts inspecting businesses, factories, multiple dwellings, schools, churches and public assembly facilities. This assists the Fire Safety Division with their inspection load and helps familiarize the firefighters with the structures in their district. It is also an opportunity for the firefighters to interact with the people in their district and for business, education and religious leaders to get to learn about the fire service. In addition to their building inspections, each spring firefighters inspect and perform a two-to-three minute test on all of the 7,200 hydrants city-wide. Hydrants have been tested annually since 1978 to insure that they work to maximum capacity during fires and related emergencies.

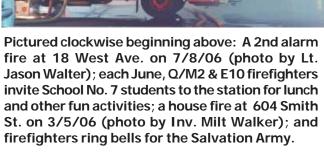
Outreach:

The Line Division's community outreach initiatives have grown substantially over the past several years and are a model for other fire departments. At the

Specialty Team	Companies	Training Hours	Responses
Confined Space	QM6/E17/R11	827	0
Extrication	QM2/QM9/R11	1053	175
Foam	E7/E10/E12	380	1
Hazardous Materials	E17/R11	2254	35
Heavy Rescue	R11	544	1400
High Rise	E13/QM7	708	2
Rope Rescue	QM1/QM2/QM3/QM6/QM8/R ²	11 2495	0
Swift Water/Ice	QM6/R11 & QM1/QM3 (ice)	1068	30









beginning of the school year, each fire company adopts a school and works with the school principal on how best to have a positive impact on a group of students. The Adopt-A-School Program is in its seventh year and has been a win-win program for both the schools and the firefighters. Firefighters have also embraced the Department's Fire Station Open House Program. Each summer five open houses are held at fire stations throughout the city. They give the neighbors a chance to get to know their firefighters and spend a fun afternoon watching demonstrations. Children can operate a charged handline, go through the W-Kids Fire Safety House, meet Sparky the Fire Dog and take part in many other fun activities. Another example of the Line Division's community outreach is smoke and CO alarm installations. Every fire truck carries a supply of detectors to have them available should one need to be installed. Firefighters also assist the Community Relations and Education Unit with the installation of alarms during street canvassing.

An auto fire at 351 Seyle Terr., on June 21, 2006.

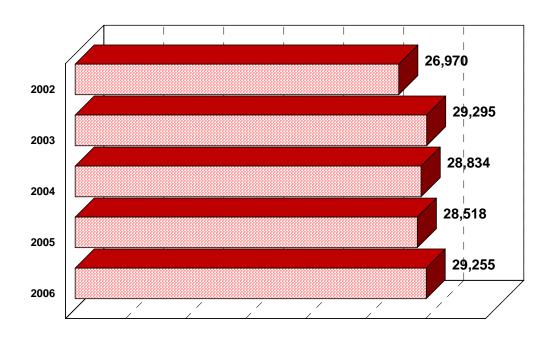
Protectives

Prior to the development of a paid Fire Department in Rochester, the city had numerous volunteer companies that responded to fires. One of those organizations still exists today: The Protectives. The Protectives Incorporated, a volunteer organization that dates back to 1858, responds to fires to safeguard and salvage property. By using tarps, fans, pumps and other equipment, they reduce smoke and water damage. The Protectives is made up of volunteers and a staff of four paid firefighters who serve as drivers. Many of their members have gone on to become Rochester firefighters. In 2006, its members responded to a total of 437 alarms and volunteered 32,006 hours of service to the city. Philip Gibeau is the Chief of the Protectives.

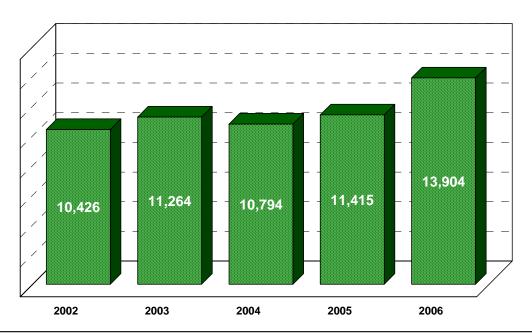
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Structure Fires	341	
Multiple Alarms	4	
Water Problems	66	
Broken Windows	11	
General Assistance	15	



Incidents 2002- 2006



Emergency Medical Service Calls 2002- 2006



YEARLY REPORT SUMMARIES 2002 thru 2006

	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
TOTAL INCIDENTS	26,970	29,287	28,834	28,518	29,255
TOTAL RESPONSES	52,458	51,458	48,883	48,588	49,882
FIRES:	1,660	1,574	1,439	1,488	1,371
Structure Fires	863	863	787	785	650
Vehicle Fires	304	310	317	231	206
Other Fires	493	401	335	472	515
EMS	10,426	11,264	10,794	11,415	13,904
FALSE	3,238	3,464	3,703	3,462	3,470
INVESTIGATIONS:					
Cause & Origin Section	1,142	1,097	932	1,007	989
Task Force Section	152	171	214	90	84
F.R.Y. Section Contacts	369	258	101	251	197
ARRESTS:					
Adults	39	25	30	11	23
Juveniles	53	34	22	20	8
Total	92	59	52	31	31
FIREFIGHTER ON DUTY INJURIES	168	191	140	145	128
CIVILIAN INJURIES	52	44	21	39	20
FIREFIGHTER DEATHS	0	0	0	0	0
CIVILIAN DEATHS	0	2	1	2	8
CODE ENFORCEMENT:					
Inspect/Reinspect	9,006	11,614	10,935	10,974	11,137
Orders Issued	4,862	6,662	5,844	5,561	4,891
Violations Corrected	4,457	4,924	5,130	5,083	3,687
PERMIT SECTION:					
Premises Inspected for Permits	2,005	2,204	2,179	2,030	2,278
Permits Issued	3,556	3,742	4,054	4,215	3,738

COMPANY RESPONSE DATA 2006

Company and Location	Structure Fires	Other Fires	Emergency Medical	False	Other Calls	TOTAL
Engine 3 - 1051 Emerson St.	71	101	513	127	432	1,244
Engine 5 - 450 Lyell Ave.	139	90	1,277	210	909	2,625
Engine 7 - 873 Genesee St.	69	67	778	256	826	1,996
Engine 10 - 1477 Dewey Ave.	84	75	575	98	577	1,409
Engine 12 - 160 Wisconsin St.	73	52	532	170	481	1,308
Engine 13 - 272 Allen St.	112	82	652	209	646	1,701
Engine 16 - 704 Hudson Ave.	198	149	1,636	315	1,142	3,440
Engine 17 - 185 N. Chestnut St.	235	138	1,095	367	812	2,647
Rescue 11 - 185 N. Chestnut St.	426	224	211	88	495	1,444
Qunit 1 - 4090 Lake Ave.	11	19	119	96	182	427
Midi 1 - 4090 Lake Ave.	10	21	396	99	198	724
Qunit 2 - 1477 Dewey Ave.	94	66	264	127	599	1,150
Midi 2 - 1477 Dewey Ave.	90	81	752	126	641	1,690
Quint 3 - 1261 South Ave.	46	37	128	405	477	1,093
Midi 3 - 1261 South Ave.	45	40	408	387	507	1,387
Quint 4 - 977 University Ave.	62	67	152	206	550	1,037
Midi 4 - 977 University Ave.	64	68	479	198	590	1,399
Quint 5 - 57 Gardiner Ave.	99	76	240	165	640	1,220
Midi 5 - 57 Gardiner Ave.	97	79	735	159	650	1,720
Quint 6 - 1207 N. Clinton Ave.	183	125	451	298	865	1,922
Midi 6 - 1207 N. Clinton Ave.	175	132	1,411	287	995	3,000
Quint 7 - 740 N. Goodman St.	148	120	357	196	822	1,643
Midi 7 - 740 N. Goodman St.	144	128	1,208	199	851	2,530
Quint 8 - 272 Allen St.	197	113	304	230	694	1,538
Midi 8 - 272 Allen St.	195	120	782	225	689	2,011
Quint 9 - 315 Monroe Ave.	89	77	388	346	923	1,823
Midi 9 - 315 Monroe Ave.	86	84	1,122	339	963	2,594
Battalion 1 - 704 Hudson Ave.	228	116	110	62	520	1,036
Battalion 2 - 272 Allen St.	196	132	134	62	704	1,228
Battalion 3 - 315 Monroe Ave.	118	101	109	64	504	896



BC Mark Strzyzynski

The Fire Academy, located in the Public Safety Training Facility (PSTF), houses six operational units under the command of the Deputy Chief of Training: Emergency Medical Services, Special Operations, Training, the Firefighter Trainee Program, Emergency

Training and Information Network (ETIN) and the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT). The Deputy Chief is also responsible for the Health and Safety Office, located at Chestnut St. The

Apparatus Repair Division is also located at the PSTF, but is supervised by the Executive Deputy Chief.

The following is an overview of each division/office and their accomplishments during 2006.

Training Division

The Training Division is responsible for training all new recruits in basic firefighting skills, meeting the annual training requirements for line and staff firefighters and providing training on new equipment and tactics. In 2006, the Division provided almost 88,000 hours of training to Department members. Included was training in the federally mandated National Incident Management System (NIMS)

classes. Training staff began with ICS 700, 100 and 200.

The Division also planned and conducted two firefighter recruit classes, training for a total of 34 recruit firefighters (10 came from seven different fire departments in Monroe County and two came

from Orleans County). Each of the graduating probationary firefighters were trained at a level that meets or exceeds New York state and NFPA standards for Firefighter I and II. This accounted for over 22,000 hours of training.

The Training Division provided training to the entire Department in the following areas: escape rope use and distribution, national fire protection, pump, hose and ladder testing and radiological training.

The Training Division also oversaw the inspection and testing of all fire apparatus pumps, ground ladders and hose per the NFPA standards. For this, the following was tested: 40 fire pumps, 96,000 feet of fire hose and 30,000 feet of ladders.



Recruits receive 13 weeks of intensive, hands on training and there usually isn't too much smiling. It's good to see the fall 2006 class enjoy a light hearted moment during their day at the BOCES Down To Earth Course.

Health and Safety

The Health and Safety Office is responsible for ensuring compliance with the NFPA's Standard on Fire Department Occupational Safety and Health Program and the NYS Department of Labor regulations. The Office provides oversight at the

scene of emergency incidents, recommends changes in procedures to reduce the risk of injury to personnel and monitors injury and exposure reports. Training is provided in a variety of fields, including respiratory protection, exposure control, hazard communications, asbestos awareness, fireground personnel accountability reporting and the right to know law and blood borne pathogens.

Each line group has a Health and Safety Captain assigned to it. This officer is dedicated solely to administering programs to their respective group. The following is a listing of some of the programs that were provided:

- Injury Reviews
- DOSH Reporting
- ♦ Incident Review/Critique
- Personal Protective Equipment Inspection
- Health and Safety Bulletins
- Safety Training and Education

In addition to their administrative duties, safety captains respond to emergency incidents as the Incident Safety Officer. In this role, the LSO oversees the monitoring of hazardous atmospheres, safe operating practices, the accountability of operating personnel, Rapid Intervention Team (RIT) staffing and incident scene rehabilitation. Furthermore, in 2006 the safety captains completed mandated reviews of the Hazard Communication, Exposure Control and Respiratory Control Plans, refitted and tested all members for the new Scott AV300 facepieces and conducted an in-depth investigation into firefighter burn injuries related to bunker pants.

Initiatives:

- Tested 510 SCBA facepieces and 511 members for TB
- ♦ Trained 510 members on the N95 Respirator
- Conducted 20 facility safety inspections
- ♦ Completed 1136 protective equipment

EMS Facts

- 394 Emergency Medical Technicians
 - 73 Certified First Responders
 - 6 Paramedics
 - 2 EMT Intermediate
 - 65 Automatic External Defibrillator used
 - 10 Patients received shocks
 - 6 Successful interventions

There were approximately 4,050 Patient Care Reports processed in 2006.

inspections

- ♦ Investigated 23 exposure reports
- ♦ Responded (Car 99) to 574 incidents

Emergency Medical Services

The EMS Office coordinates the training, certification and testing of firefighters and purchases and maintains EMS equipment and supplies. In 2006:

- ♦ 16 members were recertified in CFR courses
- 4 16 members were certified in Heart Save CPR/AED
- ♦ 67 EMTs were recertified through the Continuing Medical Education courses
- ♦ 25 EMTs were recertified as EMT-R
- ♦ 18 EMTs completed the EMT-Original course

The EMS Office oversees all aspects of emergency medical training for the Department. This includes scheduling all training classes, maintaining a corps of skilled instructors, designating personnel for the classes, assuring all logistical necessities are provided, fulfilling all administrative and financial mandates for state sanctioned EMS courses, maintaining course specific records, and documenting each individual's EMS training achievements. The EMS Office is also responsible for the management of the defibrillator

program, the review of all patient transfer reports for quality assurance purposes, and is the liaison for the Department with other agencies and committees. The EMS Office is also the point of contact for the contract ambulance agency for issues relate to quality assurance and compliance with contract provisions.

The Department's EMS instructors includes 8 instructors/coordinators, 12 lab instructors and 19 CPR instructors. The EMS Office continued a strong working relationship with city and county agencies, the Regional EMS Council and Monroe Community College for joint certification training and EMS issues. The Office provided training to the community through the Risk Watch program and conducted CPR and Certified Fire Aid training for 22 members of NorthEast Area Development (NEAD). The EMS Office also provided administrative assistance to the Airport and Canandaigua Fire Departments for the certification of 33 of their members.

NYS Certified training resulted in \$57,250 in state reimbursements.

Special Operations

The Special Operations Office manages the City's Comprehensive Emergency Plan and is responsible for four major specialty teams: Hazardous Materials, Confined Space, High Rise - Incident Management and Swift Water/Ice Rescue.

In 2006, Special Ops coordinated radiological training for the Department, scheduled and attended tours of local businesses and plants for line companies, coordinated auto vehicle extrication training and scheduled and attended training with other departments and agencies. Special Ops also researched, evaluated and tested various updates, operations, tools and equipment.

In 2006, the Metropolitan Medical Response System (MMRS) Office sponsored decontamination exercises

for hospitals and radiological training for the Department. Significant upgrades in the Haz Mat Team's ability to handle a CBRNE event through training and equipment was achieved. MMRS also made several equipment purchases including an Unknown Gad ID device (known as a GAS-ID), Guardian BTA Test Strips, a Wireless Entry Link Search Camera and a Bio-Check Powder Screening Kit.

ETIN

The Emergency Training Information Network (ETIN) got its start in 2004, when the Department was awarded \$642,000 by the Department of Homeland Security. Since then, we have partnered with the local PBS station (WXXI) to make the network a reality. ETIN utilizes a wireless wideband secure data path between WXXI and the end user. Agencies equipped with an integrated broadband receiver within a 75-mile radius of WXXI have access to vital data such as instant information updates, live video, training videos, power point presentations, maps, weather and web content. The network is available 24/7 and there is also an on-demand video library. ETIN has been installed in 104 sites throughout the area, including City and County fire, police, EMS and emergency preparedness agencies, the PSTF, the PSB, the County's Department of Public Health and five area hospitals. In 2006, members of the Department showcased ETIN at the annual Fire Chief's Convention in Dallas, Texas. They also successfully tested the Emergency Mode from the Emergency Operations Center and have the ongoing task of developing software with Triveni Digital.

Trainee Program

The Firefighter Trainee Program provides City high school students with the opportunity to become firefighters. They must first complete a two-year internship, graduate from high school and successfully finish the Training Division's recruit training program. Students are recruited from the

City's high schools and are selected to take part in the program at East High School. The internship begins their senior year. There are 11 trainees in the senior class and four trainees in the junior class.

While in school, trainees receive classroom instruction from firefighters assigned to the program as well as from an East High School teacher. Two rooms at the school are dedicated to the program, a classroom and a physical fitness room complete with weight training equipment, a stairmaster and stationary bicycles. General physical fitness and preparation for the Candidate Physical Ability Test (CPAT) are an important component of the program. Classroom instruction and community service projects round out their experience.

In 2006, trainees gained valuable experience working with Habitat for Humanity, installing smoke and CO alarms in the homes of City residents and helping staff the W-Kids Fire Safety House at fire station open houses and other venues. They also got to take part in ride alongs, which enabled each trainee to spend two days and two nights with a Line company. In addition, trainees are taught CPR,

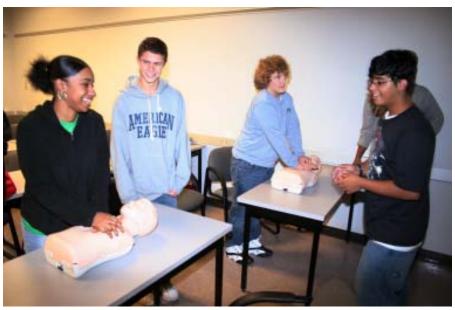
first aid and AED use; quint, midi and engine operations and many other basic Fire Department operations. A number of Fire Department officers teach the trainees in their areas of expertise.

Upon their graduation from high school, trainees are assigned to staff positions in the Department and work 20-hours per week. The program has received numerous awards and has become a model for other programs of its type throughout the country.

Since the program began in 1994, 32 trainees have become Rochester firefighters.

Community Emergency Response Team

The Community Emergency Response Team (CERT), which is modeled after similar programs in cities throughout the country, was launched in Rochester in 2002. It was developed out of a need for a well trained community emergency response force prepared in a number of fundamental practices and procedures. CERT training allows volunteers to take care of themselves and others during any type of emergency until professional help can arrive.



CERT participants learn how to perform CPR. We're very happy to have mixed classes of high school students and adults.

The program is a partnership between the Department and neighborhood associations, who enlist their residents to participate in the eight-week program. Taught by Training Division staff at the PSTF, the participants learn about basic first aid, CPR, patient assessment, disaster preparedness, incident command structure and post disaster debriefing. They are also instructed in the use of the Heartstart defibrillator and the use of fire extinguishers.

Following their graduation from the

program, CERT volunteers are available to assist the community when a major emergency overwhelms normally available resources and response delays occur. Our CERT volunteers are qualified in assisting others to safety, assuming a leadership role until professional help arrives and sizing up a situation and relaying the information to the responding emergency providers.

Apparatus Repair

The Apparatus Repair Division, a 24/7 operation, maintains 31 first line firefighting vehicles and all other motorized equipment and develops specifications for new apparatus. Besides the Superintendent, the division is staffed by an equipment supervisor, five senior equipment mechanics, and one body repair mechanic.

Supply Depot

The primary duties of the Supply Depot involve the purchase and distribution of equipment and supplies for the Fire Department. This division routinely maintains and fills all air and oxygen cylinders and contracts out the filling of the CO2 and ABC fire extinguishers. They repair, test and maintain all 185 Scott Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) and issue and maintain firefighter personal protective clothing. They also coordinate hose inventory and testing. In 2006 approximately 154 sets of turnout gear were purchased at a cost of \$165,000. They also repaired 320 sets of turnout gear.

Alarm Maintenance

The Alarm Maintenance Unit is responsible for the upkeep of the City radio fire alarm system, which includes street alarm boxes for public use and master boxes. The master boxes provide automatic alarm transmission from alarm systems in schools, hospitals, nursing homes and several industries. In addition, this unit maintains the central station receiver located in the Monroe County Public Safety Communications Center and the Fire Department's

mobile portable radios. In 2006, the Communication Technician performed approximately 250 box repairs and roughly the same number of portable and mobile radio repairs. He also conducted over 800 box test repairs.

First Line Apparatus				
Company	In-Service	Manufacturer		
E3	2001	E-1		
E5	2001	E-1		
E7	1998	E-1		
E10	2001	E-1		
E12	1999	E-1		
E13	2001	E-1		
E16	2006	Rosenbauer		
E17	2006	Rosenbauer		
Q1	1999	E-1		
Q2	2003	E-1		
Q3	2005	E-1		
Q4	2002	E-1		
Q5	2002	E-1		
Q6	1998	E-1		
Q7	1998	E-1		
Q8	2007	E-1		
Q9	1997	E-1		
M1	1997	E-1		
M2	1992	Beck		
M3	1997	E-1		
M4	2005	E-1		
M5	2001	E-1		
M6	2001	E-1		
M7	2001	E-1		
M8	2005	E-1		
M9	1997	E-1		
R11	2002	HME*		
Protectives	2002	HME*		
HazMat 1		Pierce		
HazMat 2	1989	Salisbury		
*E-1 is Emergency One				

FIRE SAFETY DIVISION

The Division is made up of the Code Enforcement and Fire Investigation Units.

Code Enforcement

This Unit issues permits, responds to citizen complaints, reviews new construction plans and provides technical assistance to developers. They also inspect residential, commercial, industrial and institutional properties in the City.

The Division:

- ♦ Conducted 8,633 fire safety inspections
- ♦ Issued 4891 orders
- Inspected and patrolled all public assembly gatherings, festivals and outdoor and indoor pyrotechnic displays
- ♦ Issued 3738 permits
- ♦ Received over 1750 hours of training
- ♦ Inspected 144 public and private schools

Fire Safety Plans Review is assigned to the Building Bureau in City Hall. A comprehensive review of 166 building plans took place in 2006 to ensure compliance with State and City codes.

As a result of the annual inspection program conducted by the Line Division, a total of 4030 premises were inspected and 1040 violations were noted. All uncorrected violations are submitted to the Code Enforcement Section for follow up.

Fire Investigation Unit

This Unit investigates all structure fires and any other incidents, including vehicle, rubbish and false calls, upon the request of the command staff. The Unit utilizes a specially outfitted van, which is an office on wheels.

Fire Investigation is comprised of Cause and Origin, the Arson Task Force (ATF) and the Fire Related Youth (FRY) Program. In 2006, the Unit investigated a total of 1261 incidents, a 3.8% decrease from 2005 and made 23 adult arrests.

Cause and Origin responds to all structure fires, vehicle fires, outside fires, trash/dumpster fires, malicious false calls and school box alarm pulls. They responded to 961 incidents, of which 548 were structure fires, 126 were vehicle fires and 316 were accidental fires.



DC Jerome Telfair

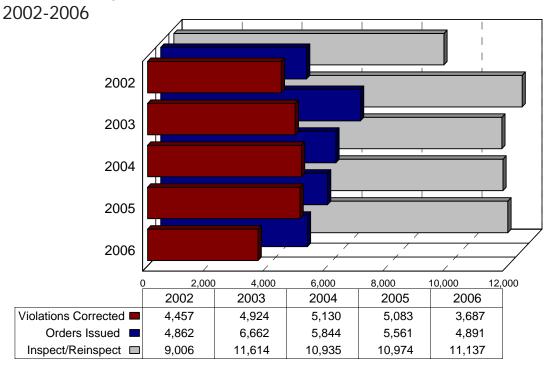
There were a total of 341 incendiary fires in 2006.

The Arson Task Force is responsible for following up on all adult incendiary fires where there are significant solve-ability factors. Comprised of one fire investigator and one police officer, the unit responds to all working fires during normal business hours and after hours as the need arises. The Task Force conducted 95 follow up investigations and nine preliminary investigations.

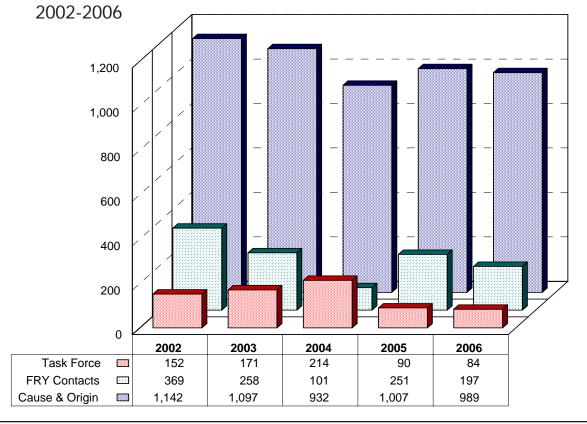
The Juvenile Firesetter Intervention Program or FRY (Fire Related Youth) as it was originally known, investigates any juvenile firesetter incident. In 2006, there were 208 contacts; 172 incident related and 36 resulting from referrals from parents, teachers and community agencies. The JFIP made 25 juvenile arrests. Twelve resulted in arrest appearance tickets and 13 were closed by a Juvenile Diversion Program. In these cases an arrest appearance ticket is written but only submitted if the juvenile fails to complete or abide by the Diversion policies. Investigators conducted 108 individual educational interventions and 12 group or student classroom educational interventions. They also made 13 referrals to various mental health agencies. In 2006, there were 5 recidivist juveniles, which equates to a 2.4% recidivism rate for the year.

FIRE SAFETY DIVISION

Code Enforcement Inspections







Firefighter of the Year 2006



Capt. John Schreiber

Appointments

FF David Bagley II	2/21/06
FF Anton Brady	2/21/06
FF Michael Campanella	2/21/06
FF Jerrod Church	2/21/06
FF Giancarlo Dovideo	2/21/06
FF Craig Hecker	2/21/06
FF John Henry	2/21/06
FF Rick Isaacs Jr.	2/21/06
FF George Leuzzi	2/21/06
FF Keith Rickard	2/21/06
FF Matthew Sauers	2/21/06
FF Luong Tran	2/21/06
FF Dominick Aruck	9/05/06
FF Matthew Baylock	9/05/06
FF Nicholas Bianchi	9/05/06
FF Samuel Boyd	9/05/06
FF James Cory	9/05/06
FF Everett Daniels	9/05/06
FF Andrew Johnson	9/05/06
FF James Metcalfe	9/05/06
FF Nathan Ostrowski	9/05/06
FF Lisa Coia	12/04/06
Francis Cordero	5/15/06
Migdalia Plaza	10/16/06

Promotions

4/27/06
4/27/06
5/12/06
10/10/06
12/22/06
12/22/06

Retirements

FF Robert Salerno	01/07/06
FF James Sands	01/07/06
FF Richard Girvin	02/09/06
Lt. Robert Branca	03/25/06
Lt. Carl Bellucci	04/16/06
Haydee Brown	04/16/06
Exec DC Ralph Privitere	05/06/06
Lt. Richard Gangale	05/21/06
DC Robert Wegman	06/05/06
FF William Geiger	06/24/06
Lt. Ronald Scarpulla	07/14/06
DC Anthony Infantolino	07/30/06
Lt. William Empey	07/31/06
FF David Fair	09/25/06
FF Edward Ryan	10/28/06
FF Carl Herrmann	10/30/06
FF David Dinicola	12/09/06
Lt. Samuel Imburgia	12/10/06
Lt. Terry Murtaugh	12/10/06
FF Bruce Costello	12/11/06
Lt. Frank Lobene	12/31/06
DC Jerome Telfair	12/31/06

Military Service

We are proud of and grateful for the service that many Rochester firefighters provide to the U.S. Military on active duty and in the Reserves. In 2006, FF David Harding was called up to active duty. Thank you for your service.

We Honor



Those Who Serve