



A SERVICE
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LAGRANGE
FIRE DEPARTMENT
708-579-2338

LOCAL EVENTS – 2017

70th Annual Pet Parade
Saturday June 3, 2017
9:30AM-11:00AM

Farmers Market
May- October - Thursdays
7:00AM – 1:00PM

Annual Craft Fair
July 15 – 16, 2017

Endless Summer – TBD

IAFF Local 2338 24th
Annual Golf Outing
TBD

West End Arts Festival
TBD

Fire Department
Annual Open House
Saturday October 7, 2017
11:00AM - 3:30PM

Halloween Walk - TBD

Hometown Holiday
December 2, 2017
5:00PM – 9:00PM

LA GRANGE FIRE DEPARTMENT DECEMBER 2016



Above is our fire station located at 300 W. Burlington Avenue. Apparatus 'at the ready' to serve and protect the citizens of La Grange.

A MESSAGE FROM THE FIRE CHIEF

Prepare Your Home for Winter

Although periods of extreme cold cannot always be predicted far in advance, weather forecasts can sometimes provide you with several days' notice. Listen to weather forecasts regularly and check your food supplies whenever a period of extreme cold is predicted.

If you plan to use a fireplace or wood stove for emergency heating, have your chimney or flue inspected each year. Also, if you will be using a fireplace, wood stove, or kerosene heater, install a smoke detector and a battery-operated carbon monoxide detector near the area to be heated. Test them monthly and replace batteries twice a year. All fuel-burning equipment should vent to the outside. You should **NEVER** use your kitchen oven to heat your home.

Your ability to feel a change in temperature decreases with age. Older people are more susceptible to health problems caused by cold. If you are over 65 years old, place an easy-to-read thermometer in an indoor location where you will see it frequently. Check the temperature of your home often during the winter months.

Insulate any water lines that run along exterior walls, so your water supply will be less likely to freeze. To the extent possible, weatherproof your home by adding weather-stripping, insulation, insulated doors, and storm windows or thermal-pane windows.

If you have pets, bring them indoors. If you cannot bring them inside, provide adequate shelter to keep them warm and make sure they have access to unfrozen water.

Checklist

- Listen to weather forecasts.
- Check your food supplies.
- Have your chimney or flue inspected every year.
- Install a smoke detector and a battery-operated carbon monoxide detector. Test the batteries each month and replace them twice a year.
- Disconnect garden hoses from outside water spigots.
- Weatherproof your home.
- Bring your pets indoors during the winter.
- Check in with elderly relatives and neighbors.

Warming Shelter

AMITA Health Medical Center, Adventist La Grange Hospital will provide immediate shelter to area residents that have experienced a power outage or are unable to heat their residence. The Warming Shelter season runs October 1st thru May 15th. Shelter hours begin at 10:00 am and to 8:00 pm. Persons needing assistance should enter through the Emergency Department to request temporary shelter.

Should residents need overnight shelter; the Hospital will work with area churches regarding overnight shelter locations. Please check the Village of La Grange website for shelter operation dates and times.

CALLS OF NOTE

On December 1, 2016, at 1534 hours, La Grange, and auto-aid companies responded to the 1000 block of S. Madison for the phoned in fire alarm. Upon arrival, crews found no visible flames or smoke but an odor of burnt food. The crew from 1111 gained entry into the locked home through an unlocked window and found a pot on the stove with the burner on. The burner was shut off and the pan removed from the home. The auto-aid response was canceled, and La Grange crew used a smoke ejector to remove residue smoke from home. The homeowner returned and stated she just ran an errand. The homeowner also reset her fire alarm.

On December 14, 2016, at 0306 hours, La Grange Companies responded to the 300 block of Peck for a smoke detector activating with no sign of smoke or fire. Upon arrival, crews found a second-floor smoke detector with water on the backside and water in the junction box. Water was due to condensation and homeowner was advised to have an electrician inspect the wiring.

On December 14, 2016, at 1237 hours, La Grange Co. 1112 responded for the change of quarters request to Westmont Station #3 on MABAS Division 10 Box Alarm. Crews remained in quarters until released without any further assignment.

On December 14, 2016, at 1757 hours, La Grange Co. 1112 responded to the 700 block of 79th Street in Darien for the structure fire. Upon arrival, the crew was assigned to bring overhaul tools to the lobby of a multi-story building and stand by for further assignment.

On December 15, 2016, at 0523 hours, La Grange Co. 1111 responded to the 1300 block of W. 47th Street for the report of an outside fire. Upon arrival, the crew was met by police who stated an individual was in the wooded area with a campfire. The fire was extinguished, and Co. 1111 returned to quarters.

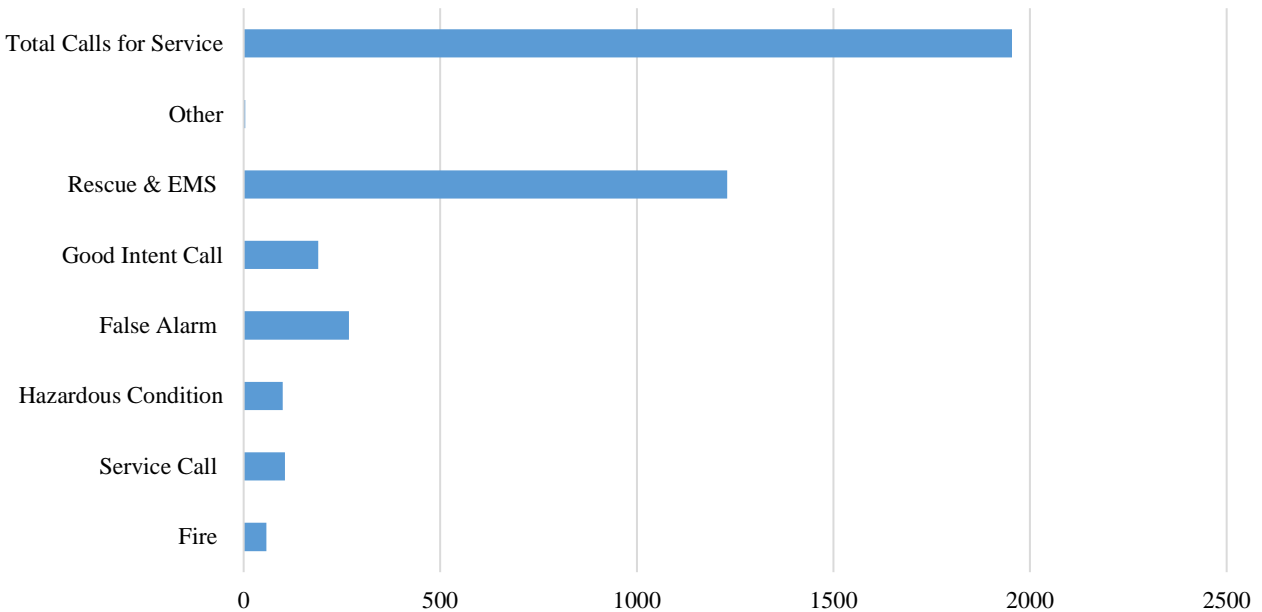
On December 15, 2016, at 1402 hours, La Grange Co. 1111 responded to the 200 block of Hayes for a well-being check for the person with no heat. NICOR was in the area doing work a couple of days prior, and now the resident has no heat. Dispatch was requested to notify NICOR and the resident was advised of the warming center available at La Grange Hospital.

On December 18, 2016, at 1629 hours, La Grange companies responded to 300 block of Bluff Avenue for the report of a car fire. Upon arrival, crews found a 2006 BMW Station Wagon with a fire in the engine compartment. Crews extinguished the fire using a 1 3/4" hose line. After the fire was extinguished crew requested DPW to salt the street due to icing condition. The cause of the fire is undetermined at this time.

On December 31, 2016, at 1043 hours, Co. 1111 responded to the 100 block of Washington for the vehicle fire. Upon arrival, the crew deployed a 1-3/4" handline to extinguish the fire. The fire was contained to the engine compartment. The vehicle is considered a total loss.

INCIDENT CALLS FROM JANUARY 1, 2016 – DECEMBER 31, 2016

YEAR TO DATE



	Fire	Service Call	Hazardous Condition	False Alarm	Good Intent Call	Rescue & EMS	Other	Total Calls for Service
■ Year to Date	58	105	99	268	190	1230	4	1954

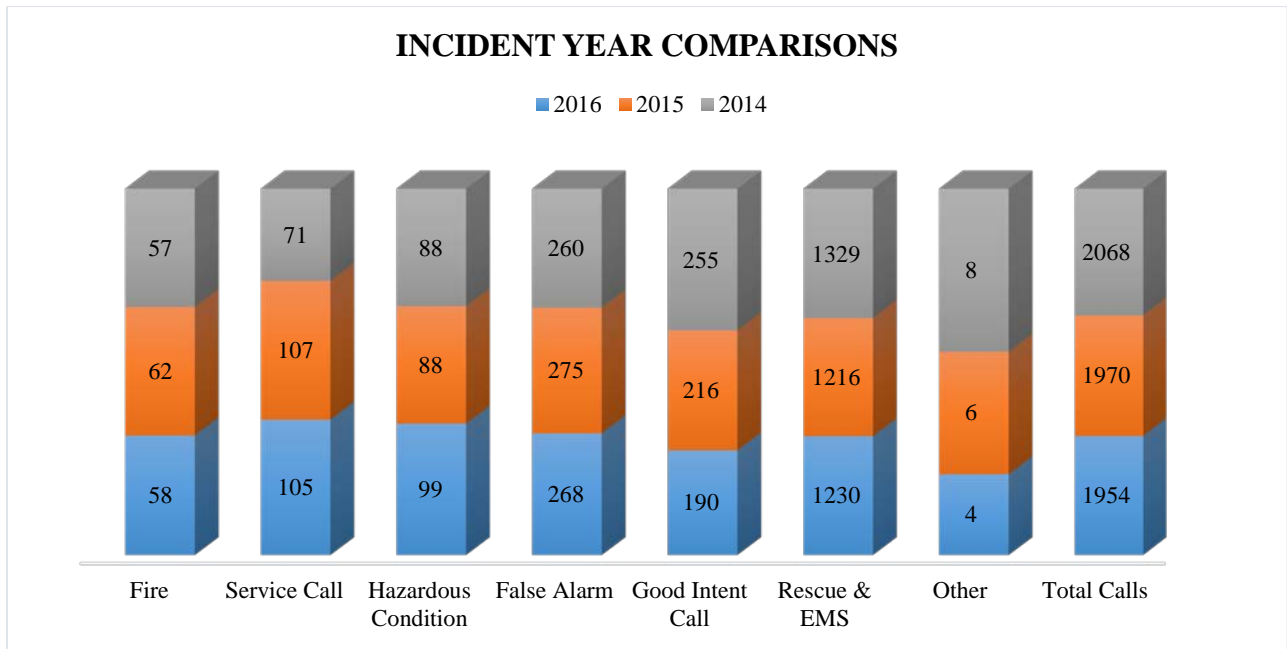
Number of Incidents by Month:

January	169 Incidents
February	191 Incidents
March	136 Incidents
April	143 Incidents
May	173 Incidents
June	161 Incidents
July	155 Incidents
August	179 Incidents
September	157 Incidents
October	156 Incidents
November	163 Incidents
December	171 Incidents

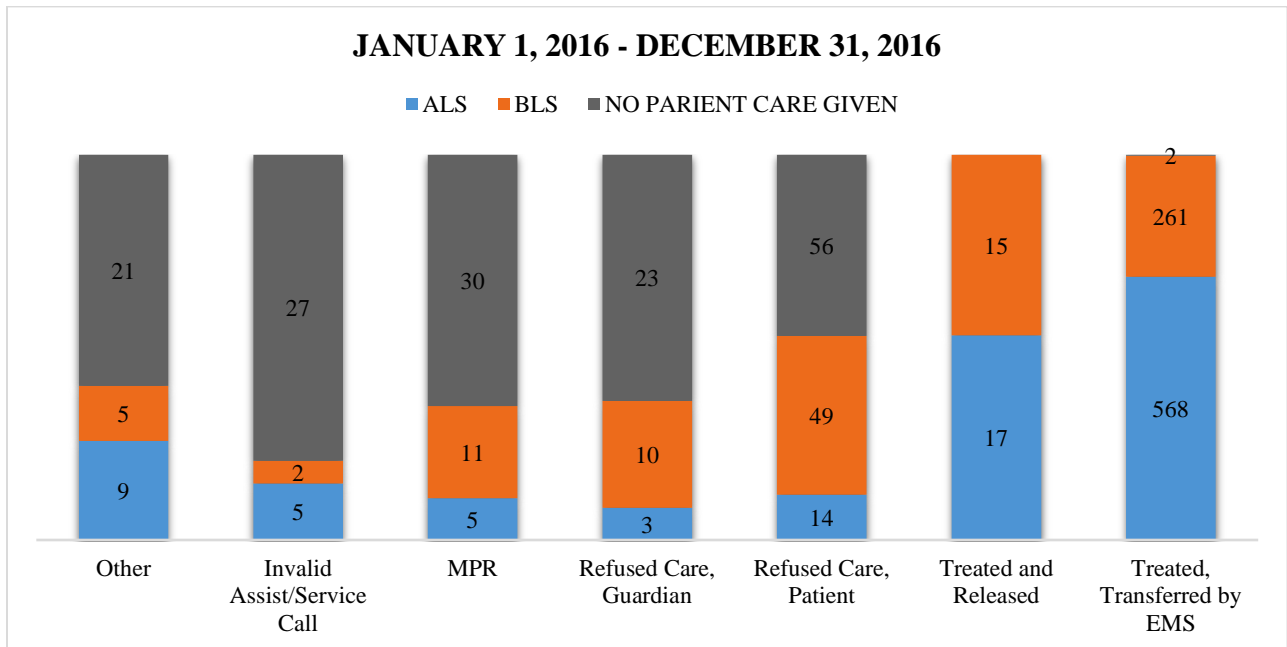
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Total 1954 Incidents

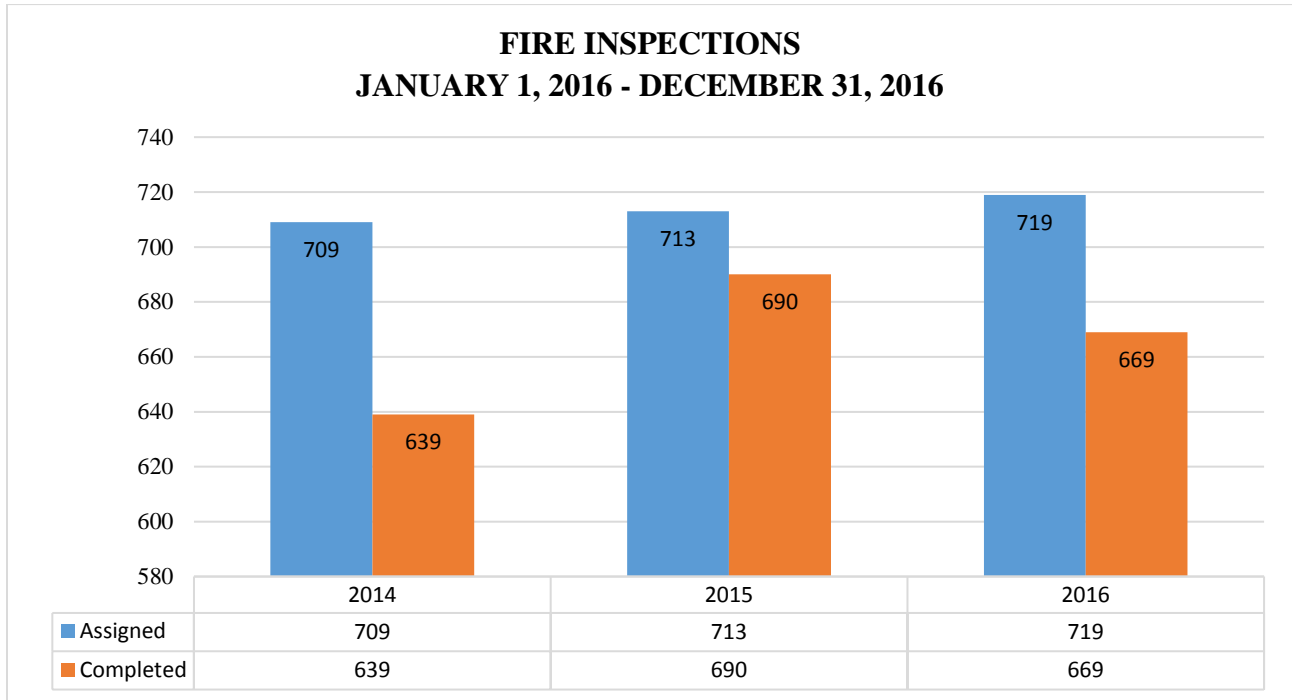
INCIDENT CALL COMPARISONS YTD FOR 2014-2016



LEVEL OF CARE SUMMARY



FIRE PREVENTION



TRAINING DIVISION

TRAINING HOURS FROM JANUARY 1, 2016 – DECEMBER 31, 2016

2014	2015	2016 - YTD
2815 Hours	2781 Hours	2011.08 Hours

Fire Chief