

WHEELING FIRE DEPARTMENT

QUARTERLY REPORT



4th Quarter 2024

CALLS FOR SERVICE

Fire – 32
Explosion/Overheat (no fire) – 10
Medical/EMS – 1,237
Hazardous Condition – 29
False Alarm – 202

Service Calls – 210
Good Intent Calls – 125
Severe Weather – 2
Special Type/Other – 1

1,848 Total Calls

7,768 YTD Calls

ELM GROVE FIRE



Just after 8 p.m., December 5, firefighters were called to 2175–2177 National Rd. in Elm Grove for a structure fire.

When the first responding engine company arrived at the scene, smoke and flames could be seen coming from the windows of a second-floor apartment.

Crews were able to get the fire under control in about half an hour. Nobody was hurt; however, several people were displaced.

FIRE PREVENTION WEEK 2024

The Wheeling Fire Department marked National Fire Prevention Week 2024 by focusing on a key element of fire prevention – smoke alarms.

National Fire Prevention Week – now in its 102nd year – was established to commemorate the “Great Chicago Fire” of Oct. 8-10, 1871, which killed roughly 300 people, left 100,000 homeless, destroyed more than 17,400 structures, and burned more than 2,000 acres.



TRAINING REPORT

WFD participated in a multi-agency ‘tornado response drill’ in late October at Wheeling Hospital’s Continuous Care Center.

The drill involved several firefighters and medical staff inside and out of the center.



We thank the hospital, the Wheeling-Ohio County Emergency Management Agency, and many others for this learning opportunity!

AWARDS CEREMONY

A joint public safety recognition ceremony with the police department was held on December 12 at WesBanco Arena. The event honored recent retirees, welcomed many new hires and noted many promotions and years of service.

Various departmental awards were handed out, too. Congrats to all!



FIRE HQ UPDATE



Progress continues to be made at our new headquarters at 1700 Wood Street in East Wheeling.

In December, workers poured the interior concrete floors and completed some exterior sidewalk work and garage door installation. Work is continuing on interior wiring, piping, drywall, and more!



APARTMENT FIRE

C Platoon crews quickly extinguished a small fire inside an apartment at the corner of 7th and Market Streets just after lunchtime on December 5.



A fast response from firefighters at nearby Station 2, located just a block away, helped get the situation under control.

The apartment sustained minor damage, and no one was hurt.

NEW RECRUIT CLASS – FALL 2024

