



What is planned for 2015 & beyond?

10-Year Funding Plan

In 2009, the Board of Township Trustees implemented a 10-year funding plan for the fire department. This plan was designed to accomplish:

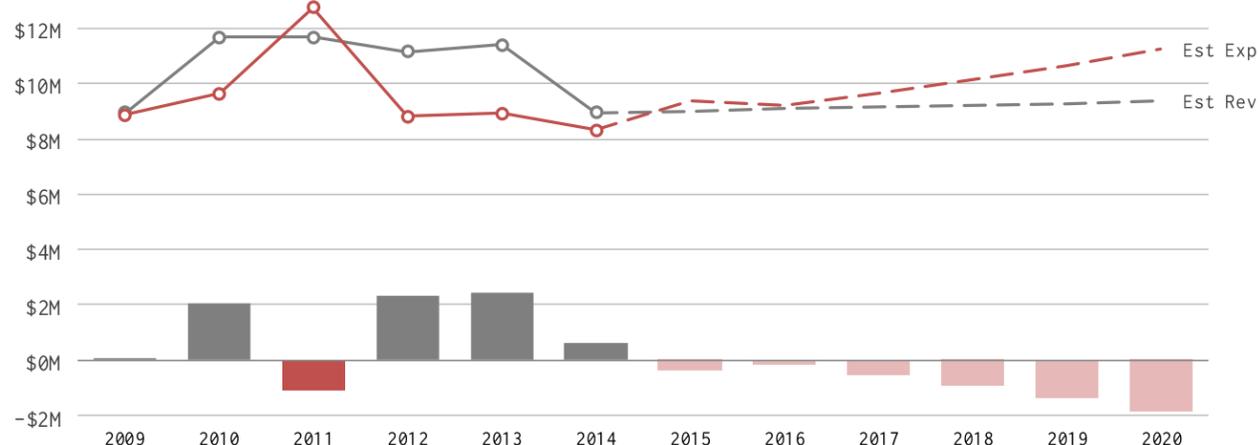
- 1) Protect the department from short term funding changes due to the previous reliance on 5-year levy cycles.
- 2) Provide adequate funds to meet the capital equipment needs for replacing old fire stations and fire apparatus.
- 3) Provide adequate funds to allow the fire department to operate for 10 years without requesting additional tax dollars from the citizens of Beaver Creek.

In November 2009, the citizens of Beaver Creek approved a levy combination and replacement of two old levies to begin funding the plan. As part of that plan, in 2013, the fire department allowed the 5-year 2.00 mil levy (approved in 2007) to expire. This **immediately reduced property taxes** for every homeowner in Beaver Creek, both the incorporated and unincorporated areas, by approximately 1.5 mils, or \$90 annually.

Projections completed as part of the FY2015 budget show the fire department is still on track to meet the 10-year goal. By operating on anticipated revenue and carry-over, the fire department should successfully operate without any additional property tax requests until 2019.

Projected carry-over will be sufficient to fund the fire department until 2019,

in accordance with the voter approved, 10-year funding plan.



The Beaver Creek Township Fire Department is dedicated to providing the best service possible. To better serve you, we would like to hear from you. Please share your opinions, ask questions or get more information at:

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The fire department is included in Beaver Creek Township's audits, performed every two years by the Ohio Auditor of State. Please visit <http://www.auditor.state.oh.us/auditsearch/search.aspx> for all audit information.

Complete financial information, including the annual budget, is available from the Beaver Creek Township Fiscal Office: 1981 Dayton-Xenia Rd, Beaver Creek, OH 45434

Fiscal Year 2014(FY2014) began 1 January 2014 and ended 31 December 2014.



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Beavercreek Township Fire Department

Serving proudly since 1946

2014 ANNUAL REPORT TO RESIDENTS

The **Beavercreek Township Fire Department** proudly serves a fire district that provides fire suppression, emergency medical services (EMS), technical rescue and fire prevention services to the Beaver Creek Community, including both the unincorporated and incorporated areas.

Established in 1946, the fire department has grown from four volunteer fire companies into a modern, suburban fire department staffed by a dedicated full-time firefighter/paramedics.

3 ISO Class is the fire department's current Public Protection Classification rating. This places Beaver Creek within the top 5% ISO rated fire departments in the State of Ohio.

17 firefighters were available (on average) daily to respond to emergencies in 2014, down three, mostly due to part-time turnover, from 2013. These firefighters were assigned to one of four fire stations. Fire Administration was staffed with an additional 3 command staff, 2 fire prevention staff and 2 support staff.

Each fire station has an Advanced Life Support (ALS) fire engine and an ALS medic available to respond to emergencies. Additionally, the department staffing includes a shift commander and a rescue company that cross-staffs a ladder truck and heavy rescue. There are also several reserve and specialty units that can be staffed in a variety of ways to meet the emergency needs of Beaver Creek.

2014 MILESTONES

Resignation

- Firefighter Nicholas Jacoby (5 years)

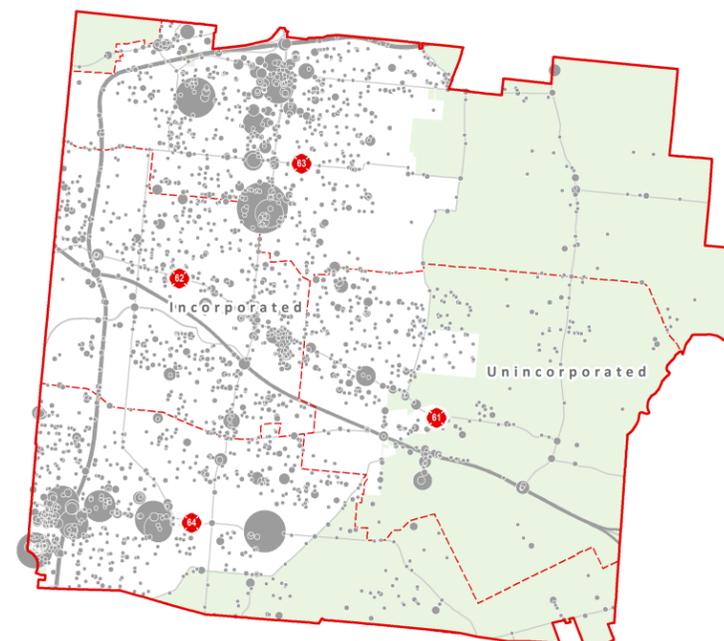
Full-time Hiring

- Firefighter David Hudson (4 years)
- Firefighter Steve Renacs (6 years)
- Firefighter Josh Smith (6 years)
- Firefighter Stephen Horne (2 years)
- Firefighter John Ostrowske (1 year)
- Firefighter Timothy McLaughlin (2 years)
- Firefighter Zachary Jones (1 year)
- Firefighter Chris Fugate (2 years)
- Firefighter Christopher Bayes (9 months)
- Firefighter Michael Connolly (6 years)

Major Events

- Transitioned to Full Time department
- Hired Fire Inspector Bob Treiber
- 4th Annual Old-Timers Breakfast
- Auxiliary became a FireCorps affiliate

2014 Fire Department Emergency Responses



	0%	50%	100%	
Revenue	82%		18%	\$7,908,808
Incidents	86%		14%	5360
Fire	91%		09%	108
Explosion	70%		30%	10
Medical	86%		14%	4170
Hazard	90%		10%	136
Service	94%		06%	213
Good Intent	84%		16%	247
False Alarm	83%		17%	437
Weather	100%		00%	7
Other	72%		28%	32
All Residents	89%		11%	50982
Senior (>65)	91%		09%	7134
General (18-65)	89%		11%	32068
Youth (<18)	88%		12%	11780
Housing Units	89%		11%	21785
Appraised Value	83%		17%	\$4.89B
Residential	82%		18%	\$3.30B
Commercial	91%		09%	\$1.16B
Exempt/Other	85%		15%	\$0.34B
Agricultural	20%		80%	\$0.10B
Area (in sq. mi.)	54%		46%	48.6
Residential	75%		25%	18.9
Commercial	62%		38%	5.3
Exempt/Other	59%		41%	10.7
Agricultural	20%		80%	13.7

The map above shows the location of each of the Beaver Creek fire district's fire stations (61-64) and their respective primary response areas. The gray circles indicate the location and number of incidents that occurred in 2014. The incorporation boundary and select roads are provided



What does the fire department do?

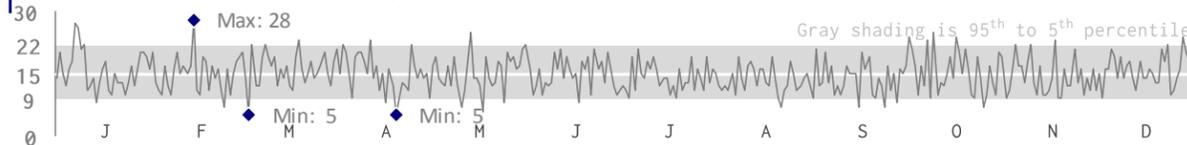
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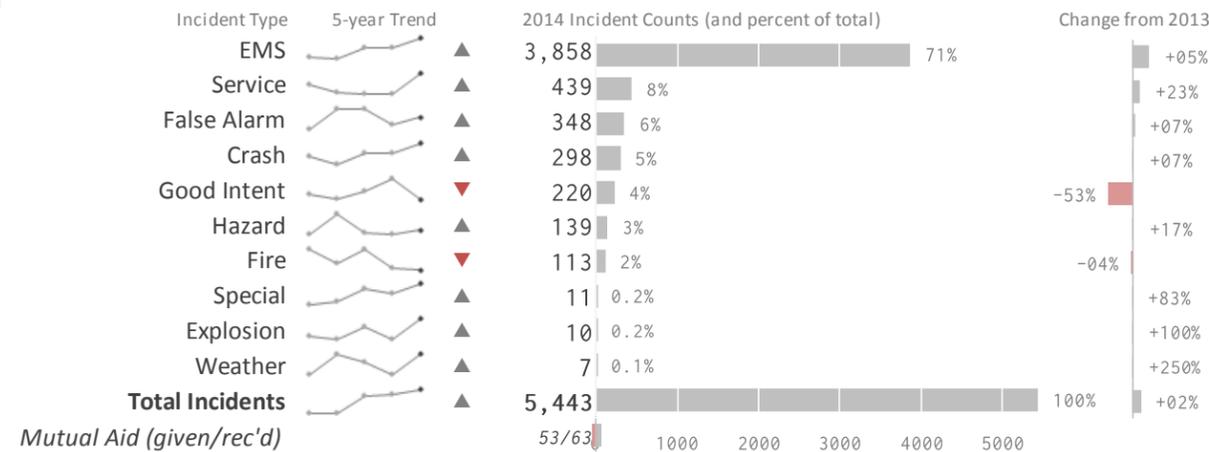
How much does all of that cost?



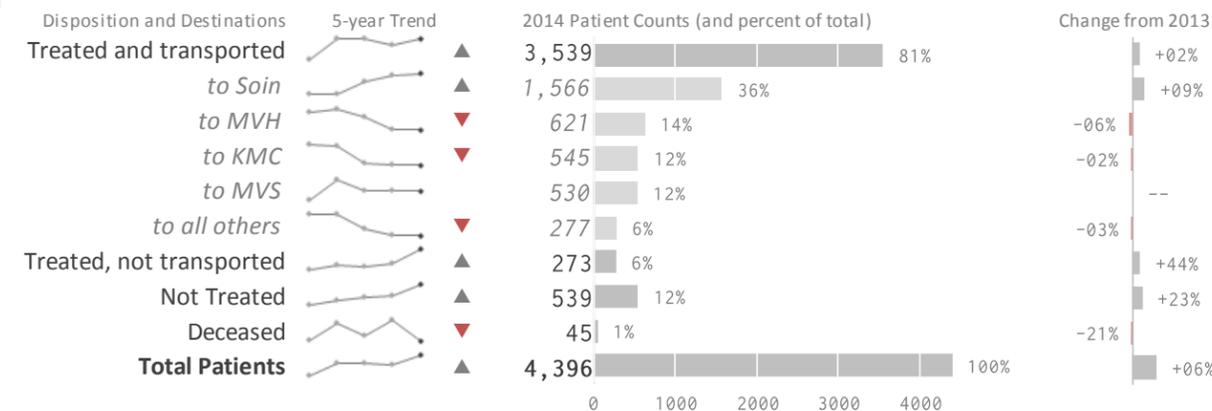
The fire department responded to a median of 15 calls for service daily, +1 daily from 2013 and at least 9 calls on 95% of all days in 2014.



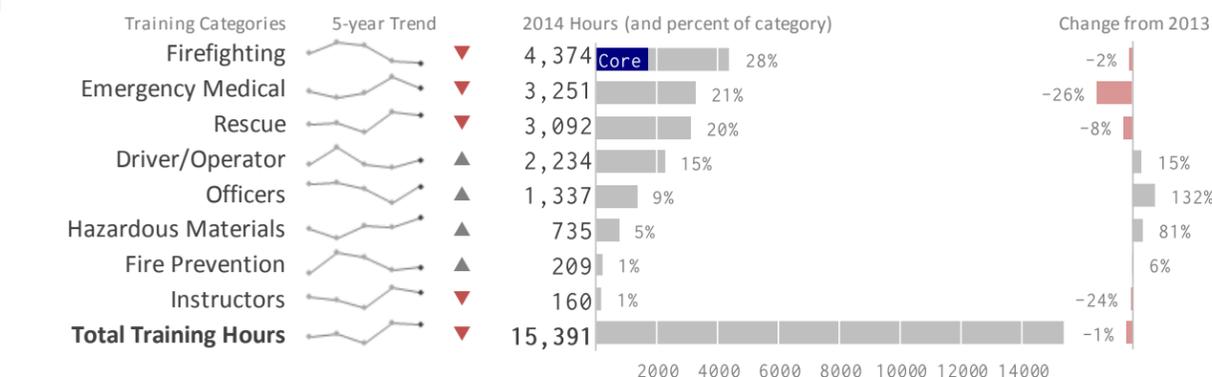
Medical emergencies and crashes accounted for 77% of all calls for service, while total annual calls for service increased by 2% from 2013.



Medic crews typically evaluated 12 patients daily and transported 10 of them to area hospitals, with 44% transported to Soin Medical Center, up almost 03% from 2013.



Core firefighting skills training accounted for over 11% of all training hours, while the department averaged over 42 staff hours of training each shift.



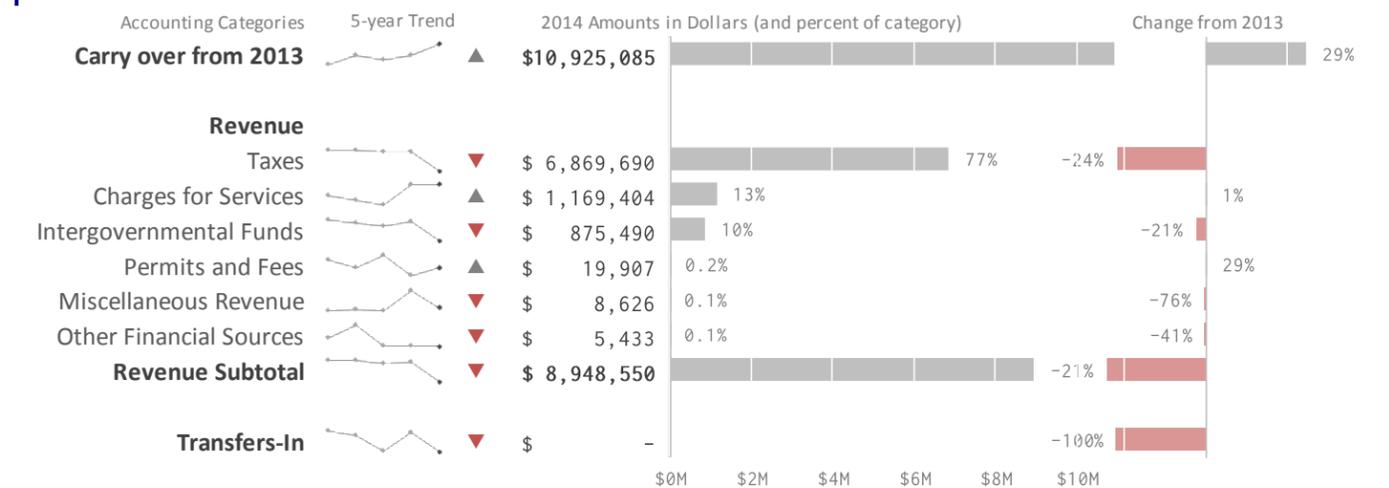
5.75 voted mils (approximately 4.6% effective) in 3 property tax levies provided over 77% of fire department funding.

12.5% State of Ohio property tax rollback and home-stead exemption on the fire districts three property tax levies. HB59, the State's biennial budget for FY 2014-15 eliminated both provisions for new levies, levy increases or replacements.

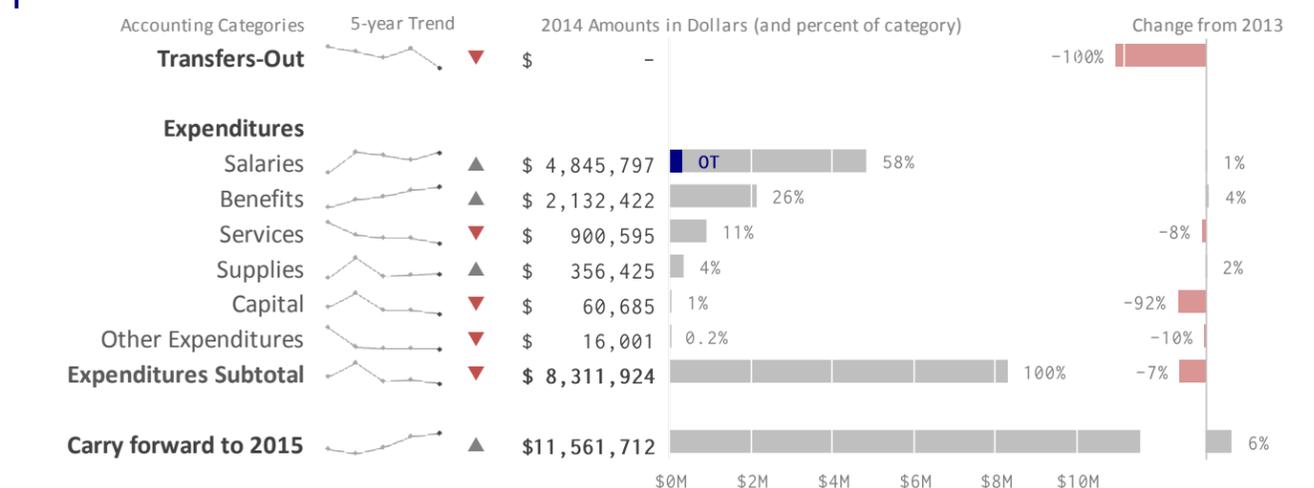
13% of total revenue provided by EMS billing, up 1% from 2013. Nearly 31% of all patients transported by Beaver Creek Township are non-residents and billing helps offset the cost of providing service to them. It also recovers money already paid to insurance companies for that service.

Township residents are never personally billed for ambulance transports or medical services.

Property taxes provided 77% of all fire department revenue, down 7% from 2013, with the promised expiration of the 2007 2.00 mil levy, tax revenue is down 24%.



Total expenditures decreased \$626,000, down 7% from 2013, with total personnel costs, including wages and benefits increasing 1.8%, just 0.1% over CPI.



7.0% reduction (\$626,040) in total expenses from 2013, with a 5-year average annual decrease of 2.9%, beating inflation by almost 5.3% during that period (CPI series: CWUSA213SA0).

12% employee contributions for their monthly health insurance premium.

Township Accounting Best Practices utilized by the fire department to ensure long-term funding stability:

- 1) Use of capital funds ORC 5705.13(C)
- 2) Use of accumulated benefits account ORC 5705.13(B)
- 3) Use of a revenue balancing account ORC 5705.13(A)