

WHEELING FIRE DEPARTMENT

QUARTERLY REPORT

3RD QUARTER 2020



3rd QUARTER CALLS FOR SERVICE

Fire – 28	Service Calls – 260
Explosion/Overheat (no fire)– 8	Good Intent Calls – 173
Medical/EMS – 1,156	Severe Weather – 6
Hazardous Condition – 4	Special Type/Other – 2
False Alarm – 181	

TOTAL
Quarterly Calls: 1,874

WFD EARNS EMS GOLD

For the fifth consecutive year, the Wheeling Fire Department has earned an American Heart Association's Mission: Lifeline® EMS Award. This year, WFD earned the highest honor possible, Gold Plus!

This is not the first year the Wheeling Fire Department has been recognized by the American Heart Association. Previous year awards include:

- 2018 & 2019 – Gold
- 2017 – Silver
- 2016 – Bronze



ARREST MADE IN ISLAND FIRE



A Wheeling man was arrested and charged with arson after a fire September 21 on Wheeling Island. Firefighters were called to 37 S. Penn Street around 10 p.m. after flames and smoke were seen coming from the house by neighbors.

Neighbors reported to authorities they saw a man inside the house leaving moments after the fire started. Fire Investigators and police were able to identify the suspect on a home surveillance system and make an arrest. The house was destroyed by the fire. No one was hurt.

SUMMER 2020



July 22 – Industrial Park fire



Aug. 3 – Duquesne Ave house fire



Aug. 28 – Wheeling Hill rock slide

COMINGS...

We welcome firefighter David Gilbert who joined the department in late August from Tuscaloosa, Alabama...



...AND GOINGS

...and send our best wishes to three firefighters who retired this summer!

- **Engineer Tim Stoffer**, 20 years
- **Lt. Jay Anders**, 20 years
- **Capt. Dave Barker**, 32 years



TRAINING NEWS

WFD received hands-on training from Insight Fire Training of North Carolina on their new thermal imaging cameras that will be used by the department.

The cameras, purchased through the Community Development Block Grant, will enhance the department's search and rescue capabilities during a fire incident. The cameras allow firefighters to see through smoke, making it easier to locate trapped victims. Temperature feedback allows firefighters to locate the fire faster and can predict changing environments to keep them safe.



REMEMBERING LT. GREG HINZEY 1970-2020

