



Baltimore County Fire Department

2014 Year in Review

Baltimore County, Maryland





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County Executive and Fire Department Administration



Kevin Kamenetz
County Executive



John J. Hohman
Fire Chief



Mark Hubbard
Assistant Chief



Kyrle Preis III
Assistant Chief



Jennifer Werry Stewart
Chief of Staff

Fire Department Overview

Baltimore County Demographics



- Population: 827,000
- Median household income: \$66,486
- 612 square miles of land area (plus an additional 28 square miles of water with over 200 miles of shoreline), with at least 29 identifiable, unincorporated communities.
- Baltimore County is the third-largest jurisdiction (in land area and population) in Maryland.
- Geography: Suburban county of Baltimore City with an urban/rural mix in land use.

Fire Department Facts

- One of the largest combined (career/volunteer) fire services in the U.S.
- FY 2014 operating budget: \$93.9 million
- 1,033 sworn employees; 29 civilians
- Firefighter's work week: 42 hours. Typical shift: two days, two nights, four days off.
- Engine and ladder company staffing: four including officers.
- Facilities:
 - » 25 career fire stations
 - » Fire Department headquarters, 700 East Joppa Road, Towson
 - » Fire-Rescue Academy, 1545 Sparrows Point Boulevard, Sparrows Point
 - » Logistics, Glen Arm
- 35 independent volunteer fire companies, including an estimated 3,000 responders, fund raisers and other members of the volunteer service, provide daily EMS and suppression support to the Fire Department.

Apparatus, Equipment and Special Units

Apparatus	Career	Volunteer
Engines	28	60
Ladder Trucks (excluding towers)	6	4
Tower Ladders	1	1
Advanced Life Support Medics	31	20
Basic Life Support Medic	0	2
Squad / Rescue	0	9
Flood Light Units	0	3
Hazardous Materials Units	3	0
Swift Water Units	1	2
Dive Team	0	1
Marine Rescue Boats	1	7
Mobile Command Posts	1	0
Urban Search and Rescue	1	0
Large Capacity Tankers	0	3
Engines / Large Capacity Tankers	0	2
Brush Units	24	23
Utility Units	1	34
Air Units	2	1
Foam Unit	1	0
Rehabilitation Unit	0	3
Bus	1	2

**Medic 3, dedicated on October 15, 2014.
(Photo provided by Michael Schwartzberg.)**



Organization and Personnel

- 1 Chief of the Department
 - » John J. Hohman, serving his fourteenth year as Chief
- 1 Chief of Staff
 - » Jennifer Werry Stewart
- 2 Assistant Chiefs
 - » Mark Hubbard (Operations, Fire-Rescue Academy, B and C shifts, Homeland Security and Emergency Management)
 - » Kyrle Preis III (Operations, Dispatch, A and D shifts, Fire Marshal's Office and EMS)
- 4 Division Chiefs
 - » Michael Robinson, A shift
 - » Jonathan Kuruc, B shift
 - » Stephen Miller, C shift
 - » Mark Ewers, D shift
- 8 Battalion Chiefs
 - » A shift: Jennifer Utz, Division 2; Thomas Kimbel, Division 3
 - » B shift: Peter Hill, Division 2; Kenneth Hughes, Division 3
 - » C shift: Joseph Brown Jr., Division 2; Paul Lurz, Division 3
 - » D shift: Francis DiPaula Jr., Division 2; Wayne Tome Sr., Division 3
- 3 Fire Directors
 - » Patrick Murphy, Fire-Rescue Academy
 - » Charles Rogers, Safety/Research and Development
 - » Christian Griffin, EMS Staffing
- Other sworn positions, include:
 - » 99 Fire Captains
 - » 5 EMS Captains
 - » 117 Fire Lieutenants
 - » 31 EMS Lieutenants
 - » 167 Fire Apparatus Driver/Operators (FADO)
 - » 149 Fire Specialists
 - » 23 Firefighters/EMTs
 - » 90 Paramedics
 - » 71 Paramedics/FFs
 - » 123 Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs) and Probationary EMTs
 - » 138 EMTs/FFs
 - » 29 Civilians



Photo of Assistant Chief Mark Hubbard, Chief of Staff Jennifer Werry Stewart, Chief John Hohman and Assistant Chief Kyrle Preis III.

Divisions and Commanders

Fire Communications

- Division Chief Michael Robinson
- Battalion Chief Wayne Tome
- Lieutenant John Milby

Fire Marshal's Office

- Division Chief Mark Ewers
- Battalion Chief Joseph Brown
- Captain Bruce Schultz

Tactical Rescue/Hazardous Materials

- Division Chief Michael Robinson
- Hazmat #1 Captain Scott Russell, 14-A

Tactical Rescue/Urban Search and Rescue (USAR)

- Division Chief Michael Robinson
- ATR #1 Captain Brian Zimmerman

Homeland Security and Emergency Management (HSEM)

- Assistant Chief Mark Hubbard, Director of HSEM
- Division Chief Stephen Miller
- Battalion Chief Paul Lurz

Fire-Rescue Academy

- Fire Director Patrick Murphy (January through September 2014)
- Fire Director Jennifer Aubert-Utz (October through December 2014)
- EMS Captain Richard Schenning



Division Chief Michael Robinson commanded a 2-alarm fire at Springhouse Assisted Living on Reisterstown Road in Pikesville on March 24, 2014.



EMS Lieutenant Paul Massarelli provides EMT instruction to recruits of the 103rd EMT Class.

Safety/Research and Development

- Fire Director Charles Rogers

EMS-Staffing-Fair Practices

- Battalion Chief Francis DiPaula
- Fire Director Christian Griffin

Logistics

- Fire Captain Charles Tudor

Applicant Unit

- Fire Lieutenant Jay Ringgold

Media and Communications Section

- Elise Armacost, Director

Baltimore County Volunteer Firemen's Association

- Craig Coleman, Administrator



**Elise Armacost, Director
of Media and Communications,
addressing the news media at a fire bombing
of a home on North Essex Avenue
in Essex on February 4, 2014.**

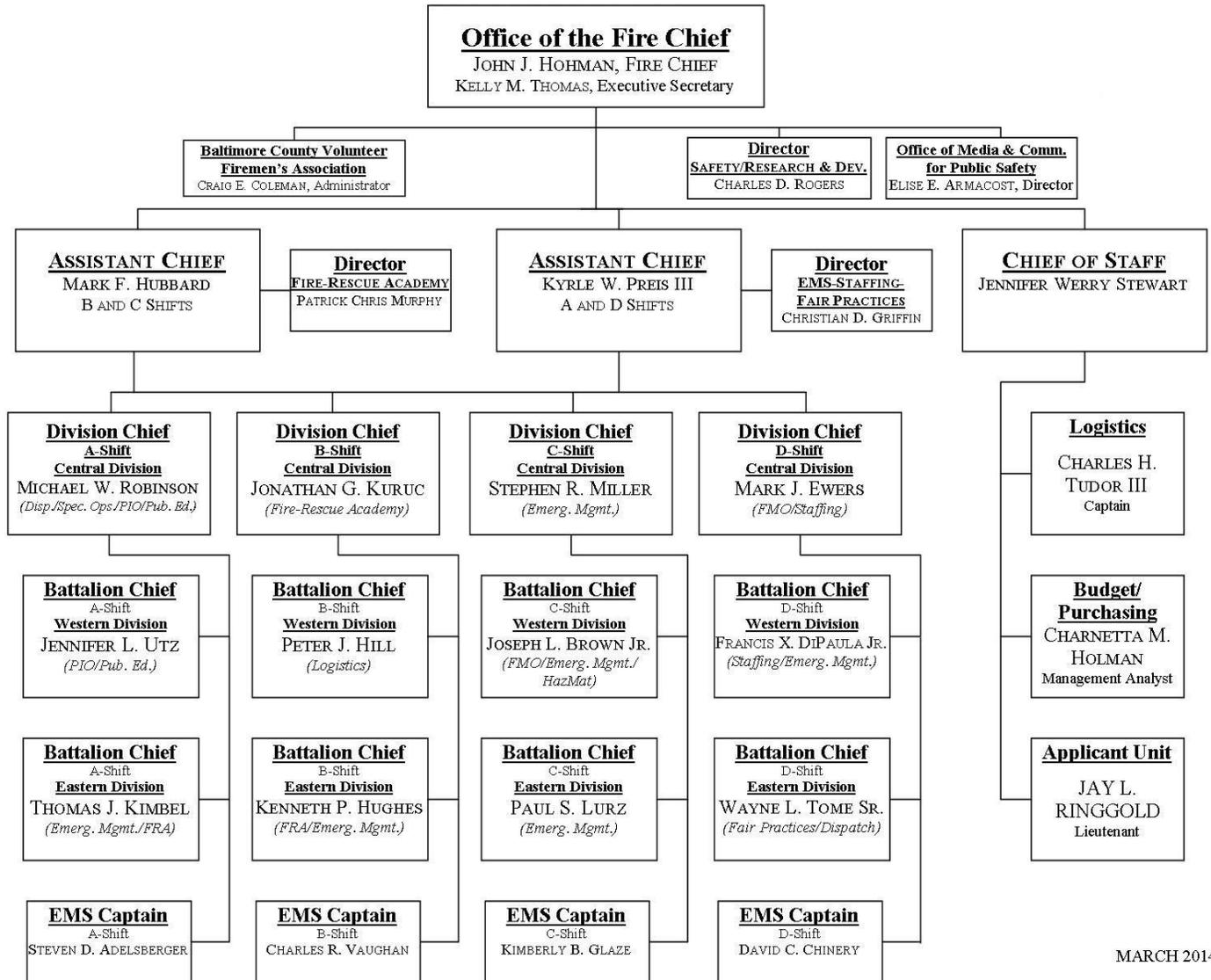
Baltimore County Volunteer Firemen's Association (BCVFA)

- 35 companies
- Approximately 3,000 members with 2,000 active Emergency Responders
- Received \$7 million in county aid for fiscal year 2015. This included grants to specific fire companies and subsidies for preventive maintenance, fuel and utilities.
- Financial support from Baltimore County also includes \$1.7 million worth of incentives for 20 volunteer companies that provide medical service during hours of peak demand
- John McDowell, BCVFA President (Arbutus Volunteer Fire Company)



**County Executive Kevin Kamenetz,
BCVFA President John McDowell,
Chief John Hohman,
BCVFA Senior Vice President Glenn Resnick,
Councilwomen Cathy Bevins and Vicki Almond
celebrating the County's contribution
to the volunteer fire service.**

Organizational Chart



MARCH 2014

Station Roster

On December 31, 2014, the Fire Department station rosters were as follows:

Division 1

Station 1 — Towson

A Shift

Captain Robert Seigle
Lieutenant Donald Friedel
FADO Jennifer Lemmon
FADO Alexander Scott
FADO Timothy Mooney
FS Sarah Rose
FS Bruce Schwarz
PM Gregory Gatto
EMT/FF Salliann Muscella
EMT/FF Nicholas Saylor
EMT/FF Stephen Sharp
EMT Christopher Ray

B Shift

Captain Paul Backhaus
Lieutenant Scott Knatz
FADO Jerome Gilmore Jr.
FADO Thomas Ruhl
FS Manuel Ortez
FS Eric Wentworth
FF/EMT Karen Zeiler
PM Matthew Hiple
PEMT Lindsay Goff
EMT/FF Moe Aung
EMT/FF Larry Roos Jr.
EMT/FF Joshua Young

C Shift

Captain Julia Dillard
Lieutenant Kurt Holloway
FADO Anthony Espinosa
FADO Michael Huber
FADO Charles Ray III
FS Caroline Rudacille
FS James Handy
PFF Terrell Thompson
PM/FF Jose Rodriguez Sr.
PM Travis Over
EMT/FF Ryan Bender
EMT/FF Richard Hays
EMT Tasha Williams

D Shift

Captain Kenneth Wirtz
Lieutenant Michael Miller
FADO Michael Barshinger
FADO John Simone
FADO Robert Tracey
FS Charles Badders
FS Shawn Magaro
PFF Donta Ridley
PFF Brian Woodley
PM/FF Kellie Cooke
PEMT Kevin Abendschoen
EMT/FF Erin Pasquali

E Shift

Lieutenant John Crooks
FADO John Cannon Jr.
FS Twana Krause
PM/FF Seantaye Thomas
PEMT Diana Yon
EMT/FF Nicholas Tyson

Station 8 — Fullerton

A Shift

Captain James Berkeridge
Lieutenant Timothy Wilson
FADO Ernest Feist III
FADO Michael O'Rourke
FADO Steven Redmer
FS Carl Rausch
FS Leroy Edmunds III
PFF Damian Echols
PFF Walter Sanders IV
PM/FF Craig Hutton
PM Matthew Beeker
EMT/FF Jean Glass
EMT/FF Edward O'Connor Jr.
EMS Lieutenant Robert Holmes

B Shift

Captain Roland Dembeck
Lieutenant Jason Cromer
FADO Michael Brown
FADO Kevin Ford
FADO Rodney Womack
FS Jessica Greaver
FS Albert Miller Jr.
PFF Michele Ehlinger
PM Heather Alexander
PEMT Thomas Washington
EMT/FF Brian Palmer
EMS Lieutenant Terri Reid

C Shift

Captain Thomas Ramey
Lieutenant Scott Ebbert
FADO Matthew Lancaster
FADO Matthew Fox
FADO Charles Riddle
FS Thomas Kimbel
FS Daniel Kile
PFF Justin Parker
PM Atiya Smith
PM Jason Bosley
EMT/FF Michael Bruzdinski Jr.
EMT/FF Keith Starr
EMT/FF Phillip Tran
EMS Lieutenant Tasha Kearney

D Shift

Captain David Harrell Jr.
Lieutenant Kevin Gibney
FADO Ronald Cassett Jr.
FADO Jeffrey Chilcoat Sr.
FADO Stephen Thompson
FS Richard Dunham
FS Stephen Stelmack
PM/FF Michael Hoffman
PM/FF Corinne McNutt
PM Christina Ruberti
EMT/FF Justin Bruzdinski
EMT/FF Matthew Malczewski
EMT/FF Daniel Preis
EMS Lieutenant Thomas Becker

Station 10 — Parkville

A Shift

Captain Richard Lannen
Lieutenant Jay Miller
FADO Gregory Stolins
FS Nathaniel Wells
PM John Dawson
EMT/FF Nicholas Gamble
EMT/FF Nakoya Kabia

B Shift

Captain Gregg Kearney
Lieutenant Robert Biggs Jr.
FADO Wayne Hackley
FS Lawrence Merrifield Jr.
PM Jesse Knox
PEMT Rebecca Cantera
EMT/FF Zachary Belcher
EMT Candy Reinhardt

C Shift

Captain Timothy Berkeridge
Lieutenant Angela Hughes
FADO James Westervelt Jr.
FS Timothy DeCoursey
PFF Jason Wurzbacher
PM/FF Houston Reynolds
EMT Emily Cole

D Shift

Captain Shelton Parker
Lieutenant Jeffrey Coleman
FS David Oliphant
PFF Anthony Colvin Jr.
PM Jennifer Armetta
PEMT Andrew Barrows
PEMT Joseph Brush II

E Shift

PEMT Keisha Jones
EMT Yuana Forte

Station 11 — Hillendale

A Shift

Captain Calvin Bell
Lieutenant Kevin Nagy
FADO Walter Brewer III
FS Richard Szukiewicz
PM Jaime Wooden
EMT/FF Charles Watson
EMT Rachelle Alexander
EMS Captain Steven Adelsberger

B Shift

Captain David Miller
Lieutenant Stephen Sindler
FADO Michael Fox
FS Robert Klein
PM Robert Freund
EMT/FF Renee Smith
EMS Captain Charles Vaughan

C Shift

Captain Mark Eagle
Lieutenant Gregory Amoriello
FADO David Crumbie
FS John Dukes Jr.
PM Pamela Westfall
EMT/FF Nathaniel Lewis
EMT/FF Brandon Sussan
EMS Captain Kimberly Glaze

D Shift

Captain Robert Turner Jr.
Lieutenant Marcus Johnson
FADO David Potts
FS Robert Decker
PM Kelly Metz
PEMT John McCormack
EMT/FF Stephen Pearce
EMS Captain Richard Schenning

Station 14 — Brooklandville

A Shift

Captain Scott Russell
Lieutenant Phillip Hebert
FADO William Knight
FADO Robert Serio
FS Richard Holden
PM Bethany Jones
EMT/FF Pernell Hammond
EMT/FF Dennis Long

B Shift

Captain William Stump
Lieutenant Richard Snyder
FADO Samuel Valencia
FADO Joseph Wiggins
FS Benjamin Bosley
PM/FF Timothy Bare
PEMT Ashley Downer
EMT/FF Jose Munoz
EMT/FF Daniel Warchol

C Shift

Captain Francis O'Connor Jr.
Lieutenant Richard Brooks IV
FADO Andrew Laird
FS Gary Bull
FF/EMT Patrick Zoltowski
PM Amanda Prosser
EMT/FF Stephen Mueller
EMT Julie Kelley

D Shift

Captain Lawrence Majchrzak
Lieutenant Morgan Lambert
FADO Jerry Ertwine
FADO Edmund Saunders
FS William Steward
PFF Shane Sierakowski
PM Emily Dilworth
PEMT Charles Brian

Station 17 — Texas

A Shift

Captain Brian Zimmerman
Lieutenant Paul Cusic
Lieutenant Kevin Nace
FADO Steven Yealdhall
FADO Kevin Snyder
FS Christopher Hale
FS Charles Ritzmann Jr.
FF/EMT David Spitz
PM/FF David Gouak Jr.
PM/FF Jesse Greer
EMT/FF Tyree Brown Jr.
EMT/FF Sylvia Murray
DC Michael Robinson
EMS Lieutenant Mark Wiley

B Shift

Captain Buddy Meadows
Lieutenant Kelvin Seigle
Lieutenant Byron Welker
FADO Shawn Drees
FADO Jason Porrovicchio
FS Donald Pruitt
FS Christopher Santoro
PFF Shaun Amole
PFF Ryan Asper
PM/FF Joanne Boyd
PM/FF Daniel Finke
PEMT Jessica Weber
EMT/FF Christopher Niner
DC Jonathan Kuruc
EMS Lieutenant Charles Leonard

C Shift

Captain Robert Hughes
Lieutenant David Buckingham
Lieutenant Brandon Warren
FADO Scott Dundas
FS Benjamin Ranneberger
FS Brandon Watkins
PFF Andrew Hale
PFF Andrew Hays
PM/FF Tiffany Queen
PEMT Morgan McLennan
EMT/FF Amahl Foster
EMT/FF Sherri Voyzey
DC Stephen Miller
EMS Lieutenant Amy Backhaus

D Shift

Captain Michael Berna
Lieutenant David Snyder
Lieutenant Andrew Essel Jr.
FADO David Hundertmark
FADO Christopher Wilhelm
FS Joseph Holland
FS James Partridge
PM Amanda Magaro
PEMT William Doetzer
PEMT Christopher Evans
EMT/FF Blake Curry
EMT/FF John Dentler
EMT/FF Jason Sparks
DC Mark Ewers
EMS Lieutenant Michael Hays

E Shift

EMT Leslie Coleman

Station 55 — Perry Hall

A Shift

Captain Terry Berkeridge
Lieutenant Meril Lee
FADO Christopher Lang
FS Timothy Batt
PM David Harryman Jr.
EMT/FF John Cooke
EMT Jesse Spruell

B Shift

Captain Marc Kemmer
Lieutenant Keith Kuhn
FADO Dale Winter
FS Albert Brown
PFF Albert McCausland II
PM Ryan Patterson
EMT Gabrielle Green

C Shift

Captain James Edwards
Lieutenant Philip Stuart
FADO Hobart Howell Jr.
FS Jason Freund
PFF Nicholas Devries
PM/FF James Cassidy Jr.
PEMT Enrique Castro

D Shift

Captain Paul Schlossnagle
Lieutenant Russell English Jr.
FADO Michael Mather
FS Garth Dales
PM/FF Kathleen Schaeffer
EMT/FF Darryl McCray
EMT Nicole Brown

Station 60 — Parkton

A Shift

Captain Patrick Murphy
Lieutenant James Hammond
FADO Nelson Weigandt
FS Wayne Shaw
PM/FF Jennifer Nilsen
PM/FF Robert Patrylak
EMT Charles Blum

B Shift

Captain John Perry III
Lieutenant Dale Richardson
FADO Donald Nash
FS Michael Roberts
PM/FF Bridget Poole
PM/FF Linda Sears
EMT Richard Allen Jr.

C Shift

Captain Edmund Schwartz Jr.
Lieutenant Larry Ledford
FADO David Haines
FS David Badders
PM/FF Stanley Hunkovic Jr.
PM/FF Samuel Sauers
EMT Tonya Freund

D Shift

Captain Michael Chamberlain
Lieutenant Todd Langeheine
FADO Gary Rickrode
FS Jeffery Asper
PM/FF Jeanne Scheide
PM Laura Witt
EMT/FF Margaret Smink

Division 2

Station 2 — Pikesville

A Shift

Captain Frederick Koch III
Lieutenant William Lutostanski Jr.
FADO Thomas Schwartz Jr.
FS Shelley Burnett
PFF Bryan Brown
PM Teresa Sindler
PEMT Michael Schultz

B Shift

Captain Michael Curtis
Lieutenant Louis Roody
FADO Michael Stone
FS Ronald Mintz
PFF Connor Risner
PM Chaunce King
PEMT Xavier Warner

C Shift

Captain William Allenbaugh Jr.
Lieutenant Michelle Stevens
FADO Kevin Cook
FS William Zoltowski
PM Rebecca Earley
PEMT Scott Albrecht
EMT/FF Andrew Capone

D Shift

Captain Todd Gibney
Lieutenant Richard Baublitz
FADO Samuel Bramwell
FS Joseph Spangler Jr.
PM Kristie Brinkley
EMT/FF Kevin Cunningham
EMT Angel Torain

Station 3 — Woodlawn

A Shift

Captain Bryan Farley
Lieutenant Duane Ludwig
FADO Charles Nickoles Jr.
FS Stacey Curtis
PM Nicole Dunlap
EMT/FF Nicholas Hornberger
EMT Jennifer Bitzel
EMS Lieutenant Jeannette Barshinger

B Shift

Captain Tyrone Cooke
Lieutenant Ronald Poole Jr.
FADO Katie Meyers
FS Travis Francis
PM Shakia Tolson
EMT/FF Kelly Hardy
EMT/FF Marcus Perry
EMS Lieutenant John Swann III

C Shift

Captain William Reinecke III
Lieutenant Randy Parrish
FADO Charles Davidson
FS Joshua Levin
PM Matthew Urick
PEMT John Sibiga III
EMT/FF Jason Yates
EMS Lieutenant Kevin Palmer

D Shift

Captain Ronald Evans Jr.
Lieutenant Lindsay Torbeck
FADO William White III
FS Daniel Routson
FF/EMT William Wiley III
PM/FF Jamie LaRoque
PEMT Douglas Chin
EMS Lieutenant Scott Davidson

Station 4 — Catonsville

A Shift

Captain Michael Robinette
Lieutenant Michael Lawrence
FADO Dianne Griffith
FADO Charles Evans
FS Glen Peacock
FS Joseph Saunders
PFF Matthew Crocker
PFF Benjamin Singer
PM Nicola Maguire
EMT Charnell Holloway
EMT Michael Rill

B Shift

Captain Michael Gardner
Lieutenant Russell Pryor III
FADO Edward Arnold
FADO Barry Thayer
FS Cheryl Noetzel
FS Michael Eagle
PFF Christopher Chamberlain
PFF Torey Nichols
PEMT Tyler Bowers
EMT/FF Schannel Carr
EMT Traci Cheek

C Shift

Captain David Dryden
Lieutenant Eddie Dezur Jr.
FADO Louis Dixon Jr.
FADO John Kohl Sr.
FS Duran Banks
FS Aaron Tapp
PM Emily Wasil
EMT/FF Teisha Jackson
EMT/FF Robert Moore
EMT/FF Darnell Roberts
EMT Thomasina Calhoun

D Shift

Captain Timothy Lowman
Lieutenant Alfonso Hernandez
FADO David Hohenberger
FADO David Mitchell
FS Brian Hollenbach
FS Cherish Ross
PEMT Kevin Hudson
PEMT Audrey Puleio
EMT/FF Anna Greenwalt
EMT/FF Paul Melvin

Station 5 — Halethorpe

A Shift

Captain Gregory Bean
Lieutenant John Bennett
Lieutenant John Schreiber Jr.
FADO Christopher Andrews
FADO Daniel Coolahan
FADO Bruce Fleming
FS Katherine Coleman
FS John Perry
PM Susan Arnett
EMT/FF Michael Cover
EMT/FF Matthew Dize
EMT Jason Correa

B Shift

Captain Edward Sipes
Lieutenant Jose Rodriguez Jr.
Lieutenant James Artis Jr.
FADO Leslie O'Neal
FADO Jermaine McCullough
FS Ronald Imbraglio
PFF Ryan Yeatman
PFF VanJonte Poulson
PM Latina Dorsey
EMT/FF Tracey Johnson
EMT Lisha Hogan
EMS Lieutenant Angela Taury

C Shift

Captain Brian Rayner
Lieutenant William Brehm
Lieutenant Raymond Gill
FADO Mark Topper
FADO Wayne Simmons Jr.
FADO Jeffrey Utzinger
FS Lindsay-Ann Opitz
FS Adam Wright
PFF Anthony Miller
PM/FF Michael Quinlan
EMT/FF Carolyn Cromartie
EMT/FF Quan Griffin
EMT/FF Norman Simpkins Jr.
EMS Lieutenant Michael Fold

D Shift

Captain Kevin Duell
Lieutenant Brian Ludwig
Lieutenant Mark Stone
FADO Kenneth Blades
FADO Travis Swonger
FADO John Williamson
FS Steven Small
FS Paul Trovinger
PFF Brandon Ambush
PM/FF Tina Kruger
EMT/FF David Hepner
EMT/FF Charles Shivery
EMT Cynthia Bury
EMS Lieutenant Bianca Thompson

Station 13 — Westview

A Shift

Captain Louis Wingo Jr.
Lieutenant Ethan Johnson
Lieutenant Eric Needle
FADO Joseph Carter Jr.
FADO Jeffrey Hale
FADO Gregory Murawski
FS Ronald Blizzard Jr.
FS John Krause II
PM Jessica Hayes
PM Charles Robinson III
PEMT Cynthia Gee
EMT/FF Kevin Bollinger
EMT/FF Sean Borgmann
EMT/FF Matthew Hoffman
BC Jennifer Utz

B Shift

Captain Robert Grimes
Lieutenant Jason Baldwin
Lieutenant Paul Fenush
FADO Ira Lapps
FADO Kenneth McLaughlin Jr.
FADO Mark Stavelly
FS Gregory Cook
FS Evan Dayhoff
PM Brandon Krick
PM James Vincent
PEMT Kenneth David Jr.
EMT/FF Brian Fraley
EMT Robert Streett III
BC Peter Hill

C Shift

Captain Thomas Rouillard
Lieutenant Joseph Woynovitz Jr.
Lieutenant Charles Millender III
FADO Lacey Marino
FADO Duburne Reid
FADO Scott Wittbecker
FS Anthony Demory
FS Jeffrey Geho
PFF Stephan Steinberg
PFF Alston Williams
PM Monica Simpkins
PM Tanika Paxton
PEMT Ryan Miller
EMT/FF Kirsten Koenig

D Shift

Captain Todd Marino
 Lieutenant Michael DeLuca
 Lieutenant Thomas Flater III
 FADO Robert Sterner
 FADO Paul Rosensteel
 FADO Paul Thayer
 FS Michael Dennis
 FS Amy Harris
 PFF Katie Whipps
 PM/FF William Fitzpatrick
 PM Steven Skiff
 PEMT Mario Chauvin
 EMT/FF Michael Murphy
 EMT/FF Nina Nozka
 BC Francis DiPaula Jr.

E Shift

PM/FF Diana Petrusik
 EMT/FF Cynthia Pegues

Station 18 — Randallstown**A Shift**

Captain John Schultz
 Lieutenant Michael Frank
 Lieutenant Robert Kemp
 FADO William Meyers Sr.
 FADO Keith Klunk
 FADO Scott Wayne
 FS Darnell Harrison
 FS Scott Wagner
 PM/FF Todd Smith
 PM Sheila Redding
 PEMT Shanna Hamlin
 EMT/FF Carlos Bailey
 EMT/FF Patrick O'Doherty
 EMT/FF Franklin Penn III

B Shift

Captain Daniel Plunkert
 Lieutenant William Fisher Jr.
 FADO James Carter
 FADO Troy Hipsley
 FADO Richard Yingling Jr.
 FS Jeffrey Lowe
 FS Mark Trump
 FF/EMT Joseph Zeiler III
 FF/EMT James Ford
 PFF Warren Wellman
 PM/FF Melissa Simpkins
 PM Brittany Baker
 PM Jesse Sanders
 PEMT Jaron Wormley
 EMT/FF Jason Terry

C Shift

Captain Daniel Brinkley
 Lieutenant Craig Austin
 FADO Robert Lim
 FADO John Quirk
 FADO Donald Spangler
 FS Ezra Burks
 FS Kevin Jones
 PFF Janerio Dobson
 PFF Kevin Gilmore
 PFF Jerry Weckesser Jr.
 PM/FF Glen Harris
 PM Karin McGillin
 EMT Shannelle Harrington

D Shift

Captain Franklin Penn Jr.
 Lieutenant Jerry Weckesser
 FADO Thomas Nickoles
 FADO Michael Stewart
 FADO Robert Murray Jr.
 FS Thomas Curtis
 FS Matthew Devers
 PM Daniel Besseck
 PM Charles Kolkin
 PEMT Robin Johnson
 EMT/FF Jere Christian
 EMT/FF James Fulton Jr
 EMT/FF David Sutherland
 EMT/FF Michael Walters

E Shift

PEMT NaKeesha King
 EMT Andrea Dalton

Station 19 — Garrison

A Shift

Captain Gregg Deitz
Lieutenant Paul Chenoweth
FADO Juan Paige
FS Adrian Gladney
PM William Danner
PEMT William Ratcliffe
EMS Lieutenant Danielle Knatz

B Shift

Captain Jeffrey Kreimer
Lieutenant Kellie Roody
FADO Roy Leatherwood
FS James Colliflower
FF/EMT Dennis DeGross
PM/FF Jason Russell
EMT Steven Pearsall
EMS Lieutenant Reynold Blubaugh III

C Shift

Captain Jeffrey Snyder
Lieutenant Gerald Krause Jr.
FADO Lawrence Lamon
FS Wayne Wagner
FS Carl Gentile
PM/FF Nicole Nappi
PEMT Traci Jackson
EMT/FF Katarion Jackson
EMS Lieutenant William Ullrich

D Shift

Captain Joseph DeVito
Lieutenant James Zinkand Jr.
FADO Paul Faulkner
FS Justin Hadel
PFF David Camak
PM Kyle Williams
EMT Jennifer Hilliard
EMS Lieutenant David Snyder

Station 56 — Franklin

A Shift

Captain Joseph Ryan
Lieutenant Steven Mooney
FADO Doreen Means
FS Scott Mitchell
PM Shannon Allen
EMT/FF Kimberley Routson

B Shift

Captain John Sibiga Jr.
Lieutenant Steven Miller
FADO Wayne Hipsley
FS Allen Dutterer Jr.
PFF Joshua Ely
PM Sandra Stevens
EMT Terrilyn Brown

C Shift

Captain Phillip Stevens
Lieutenant Jeffrey Bangerd
FADO Randy Umbrell
FS Francis Ward III
PM Glennell Leonard
PEMT Dongsu Bell
EMT/FF Karen Meyers

D Shift

Captain Evan Proffen
Lieutenant Stephan Steinberg
FADO Scott Boose
FS Andrew Stroup
PM Christopher Strippel
EMT/FF Mark Badger
EMT Kathleen Fulton

Division 3

Station 6 — Dundalk

A Shift

Captain John Meyers IV
Lieutenant Christopher Rossi
FADO Alvin Stewart Sr.
FS Richard Williams
PFF Wayne Tome Jr.
PM Kia Rolle
PM Christine Stroh
PEMT Joshua Burkins
EMT/FF Jessica Brown
EMT/FF Melisa Mabry

B Shift

Captain Gregory Wisniewski
Lieutenant Mark Milburne
FADO Dana Pack
FS Shane Davies
PM Giovanni Lumaro
PM Casey O'Brien
PEMT Michael Podles
PEMT Chadd Schlossnagle

C Shift

Captain Joseph Griebel
Lieutenant Michael Scott
FADO Gregory Grove
FS Ryan Downey
PM/FF Ebony Hilton
PM/FF Stephanie Valencia
EMT/FF Cody Robinson
EMT Douglas Sibiski
EMT Nicole McFadden

D Shift

Captain David Angelo
 Lieutenant Sandra Funk
 FADO Glen Freund
 FS Scott Jackson
 PM Amber Kelly
 PM Kevin Miller
 PEMT Caleb Spriggs
 PEMT Ericka McKoy
 EMT/FF Daniel Phillips
 EMT/FF Carlos Washington Jr.

E Shift

FADO Brian Ellis
 FS Alan Moss

Station 7 — Essex**A Shift**

Captain Thomas Brown
 Lieutenant John Jessa
 FADO Dale Hess
 FADO David Hull
 FS Daniel Shumaker Jr.
 FS Steven Geller
 PFF Ray Ralieggh
 PFF Kevin Orozco
 PM/FF Patrick Henderson
 PM Jaimie Philpott
 PEMT Stacy Conway
 EMT/FF Micheal Stuart III

B Shift

Captain David Bycoffe
 Lieutenant Eric Stacharowski
 FADO Micheal Stuart Jr.
 FADO Cynthia Willett
 FS Eric Hartman
 FS Jeffrey Riefner
 PM Drew Williams
 PM Tyler Armstrong
 PEMT Teresa Santos
 EMT/FF Marnon Bowles Jr.
 EMT/FF Bryan Compher
 EMT/FF Adam Reininger
 EMT/FF Paul Willhite III

C Shift

Captain James Slezak
 Lieutenant Lloyd Beard
 FADO John Greaver
 FADO Donald Weis
 FS Darryl Malkus
 FS Michael Janney
 PFF Jarett Robinson
 PFF Louis Szafarz
 PM Ryan Everson
 PEMT Jessica Burkins
 PEMT Joel Carr
 EMT/FF Stuart Counsellor

D Shift

Captain William Burkins
 Lieutenant Bryan Hardesty
 FADO Steven Barry
 FADO Julius DeManss II
 FS Edward Gail
 FS Joseph Gutkoska
 PFF Earl Day
 PM/FF Maria Owens
 PM Julie Bernard
 PEMT Whitney Sharpe
 EMT/FF John McMahon
 EMT/FF Gregory Watson

E Shift

PM/FF Veronica Paugh
 EMT Jennifer Johnson

Station 9 — Edgemere**A Shift**

Captain Ronald Halley
 Lieutenant David Westbrook
 FADO Scott Nicely
 FS Steven Piker
 FF/EMT Ronald Nixon
 PM Kent Hewitt
 PEMT Ronald Cardwell Jr.
 EMT/FF Brandon James

B Shift

Captain Jeffrey Bowen
 Lieutenant Stacey Gail
 FADO David Johnston
 FS David Paugh
 PM Brandee Zoltowski
 EMT/FF Kenneth Burns
 EMT/FF Clayton Iler
 EMT Gina Tuttle

C Shift

Captain Jason Hahn
 Lieutenant Robert Van Vugt
 FADO Philip Tirabassi
 FS Brandon Lookingland
 PM/FF James Badders
 EMT/FF William Barquin
 EMT/FF Edward Campitelli

D Shift

Captain Steven Brown
Lieutenant Christopher Herman
FADO Gary Burton
FS Andre Seabrook
PFF Johnny Owens
PM Tammy Lamb
EMT/FF Deborah Thompson

Station 12 — Middle River

A Shift

Captain Francis Harker Jr.
Lieutenant Dawn Miller
FADO Allen Dufour Jr.
FS Kevin Endres
PM Rachael Belcher
PEMT Matthew Eurice
EMT/FF Jacob Stuart
EMS Lieutenant John Cromwell Jr.

B Shift

Captain Robert Binkley
Lieutenant Steven Czawlytko
FADO Brian Yingling
FS Michael Joyce
PFF Kevin Bakey
PM Luke Single
PEMT Brian Barnes
EMS Lieutenant Timothy Rostkowski

C Shift

Captain Shawn Auld
Lieutenant William Johns Jr.
FADO Michael Weil
FS Aaron Carter
PM/FF Amanda Brown-Drasal
PEMT Michael Morris
EMT/FF Corey Watkins
EMS Lieutenant Tracey Marvel

D Shift

Captain Eric Endryas
Lieutenant Erik Reinhardt
FADO Charles McJilton
FS Zachary Johns
PFF Christopher Hunter
PM/FF Janice Adelhardt
PEMT Amanda Reitz
EMS Lieutenant Jeffrey Willats

Station 15 — Eastview

A Shift

Captain Colin Stem
Lieutenant David Cox
Lieutenant Daniel Kluge
FADO Matthew Pace
FADO Shawn Sebo
FADO Randy Nelson
FS Damone Hazelton
FS Brian Smoot
PFF Raymond Vargas Jr.
PM Katie Zingarelli
EMT/FF Benjamin Kimbel
EMT/FF Randy Piper
EMT Jason Barnstein
EMS Lieutenant Jennifer Martucci

B Shift

Captain Bryan Smith
Lieutenant Jeffrey Akers
Lieutenant Eric Cole
FADO Patrick Crouse II
FADO Brian Griffin
FADO Howard Simons
FS Robert Diegel
FS Brent Williams
PM/FF Kimberly Bobo
PEMT Sasha Hamlet
EMT/FF Joseph Fiedler III
EMT/FF Joseph Kelly III
EMT/FF Henry Lasek
EMT/FF Christopher Mack
EMS Lieutenant Robert Paugh

C Shift

Captain James Radomsky
Lieutenant Daniel Jarkiewicz
Lieutenant Benjamin Schuler
FADO Jeremiah Cole
FADO John Manlove
FADO Drew Tuttle
FS Lloyd Jenkins II
FS Richard Swinder
PFF Christopher Carroll
PM Shari Peterson
EMT/FF Steven Lee
EMT/FF Matthew Schultz
EMT Tonya Scott
EMS Lieutenant Christopher Hoffman

D Shift

Lieutenant Matthew Hill
Lieutenant Noble Hinckle
FADO Gregory Johnston
FADO Shannon Stallings
FADO James Tillis Jr.
FS Ronald Schreiber
FS Kenneth Chu
PFF Patrick Rigel
PM/FF Kevin George
PEMT Joshua Montague
EMT/FF Michael Griffiths
EMT/FF Shane Hubbe
EMT/FF Bryan Schulz
EMS Lieutenant Michael Bell

Station 16 — Golden Ring

A Shift

Captain Timothy Hamlett
Lieutenant Craig Bidingger
FADO James Weis
FS Glen Real
PFF Lauren Brenneman
PM/FF Nina McLucas
PM Carlos Velez
PEMT Sandra Scott
EMT Kevin Nixon
BC Joseph Brown Jr.

B Shift

Captain Frederick Rafferty Jr.
Lieutenant Timothy Hannan
FADO David Oliver
FS Adam Lublinsky
PM Cara Attanasio
PEMT Matthew Chesney
EMT/FF Timothy Pace
EMT Shana Groom
BC Kenneth Hughes

C Shift

Captain Michael Acosta
Lieutenant Brian Stark
FADO David Weis III
FS Kimberly Myers
PM Sophia Frank
PM/FF William Kyle Jr.
EMT/FF Chad Barben
PEMT Taylor Russell
BC Paul Lurz

D Shift

Captain Blaine Kurrle
Lieutenant Michael Drasal
FADO Christina Hull
FS Terry Curlee
PFF Amanda Puleio
PM Christine Sevier
PM Thomas Stevenson Jr.
BC Wayne Tome Sr.

Station 54 — Chase

A Shift

Captain Paul Eurice
Lieutenant Ronald Mastin Jr.
FADO Andrew Bittner
FS Mark Leidner
PFF Victoria Ohanna
PM/FF Stanley Bensley
EMT/FF Wendy Stallings

B Shift

Captain Michael Torbit
Lieutenant Michael Ruppert
FADO John Heinz
FS Scott Arndt
FF/EMT John Kelly
PM Angie Sullivan
EMT/FF Vonzell Groom

C Shift

Captain Kenneth Thomas
Lieutenant Vernon Adamson
FADO Edward Dailey
FS Kathy Boblits
PFF James Iman
PM Curtis Wiggins Jr.
EMT/FF James Shores

D Shift

Captain Jerome Rosenberger
Lieutenant Frank Hudnet
FADO Aloysius Connor
FS Todd Aupperley
FF/EMT Frank Pollock Sr.
PM Melissa Schuler
EMT Amy Bittner

Station 57— Sparrows Point

A Shift

FADO Gary Schwiegerath
FS Keith Blackmon

B Shift

Captain Christian Weir Jr.
FADO Edward Rachinskas
EMT/FF David Blenman

C Shift

FADO Gary Purkey
FS Lamont Garris
FF/EMT Craig Johnson

D Shift

Captain John Amrhein
FADO John Ritz
FS Andrew West, Jr.

Station 58 — Back River Neck

A Shift

PM Tahra Barber
EMT Laurie Kutrick

B Shift

PM Courtney Berkeridge
EMT/FF Cherita Myers

C Shift

PM Delores Pickle
PEMT Damon Smith

D Shift

PM Warren Bright
EMT Dora Harlee

Run Totals

Baltimore County Fire and EMS crews responded to more than 126,686 incidents in 2014.

- 91,521 EMS incidents
- 2,061 fire incidents, including 669 fires in structures.
- 3 fire fatalities
- Dundalk Station #6 was the busiest station: 10,019 runs.
- Medic 1 (Towson), the busiest medic unit: 4,288 calls.
- Woodlawn's Engine 3 was the busiest engine company: 2,864 runs.
- Truck 18 (Randallstown) was the busiest ladder company, with 1,580 runs.
- Squad 322 from the Pikesville Volunteer Fire Company was the busiest squad, with 408 runs.
- Vehicle accidents without extrication: 6,411
- Vehicle extrications: 110
- Other rescues: 214
- Hazardous materials: 4,259
- False alarms/good intent: 13,179



**House fire on Westridge Road, June 11, 2014.
(Photo from Lutherville Volunteer Fire Company.)**



**A school bus crashed into a building
in Cockeysville on May 29, 2014.**



**Rescue on Westminster Pike, Rescue Box 41-08
on August 6, 2014. A patient was entrapped
and critically injured in a crash involving
an SUV and a trash truck.**

Fire and EMS Events

March 11, 2014: 102nd Recruit Class Graduation, Goucher College

The graduation ceremony for the 102nd Recruit Class was held on March 11, 2014 after adverse weather postponed the original date in January. The ceremony for this class of Probationary Firefighters was held at Goucher College.

102nd Recruit Class

Brandon Ambush
Shaun Amole
Kevin Bakey
Bryan Barnes
Jason Bosley
David Camak Jr.
Christopher Carroll
Christopher Chamberlain
Anthony Colvin Jr.
Matthew Crocker
Jason Wurzbacher

Earl Day
Janerio Dobson
Michele Ehlinger
Kevin Gilmore
Andrew Hale
Brandon Krick
Albert McCausland II
Victoria Ohanna
Justin Parker
Donta Ridley

Walter Sanders IV
Shane Sierakowski
Benjamin Singer
Terrell Thompson
Wayne Tome Jr.
Matthew Urick
Raymond Vargas
Jerry Weckesser Jr.
Warren Wellman
Alston Williams



The 102nd Recruit Class

Annual Memorial Services

May 18, 2014: Firefighters' Ceremony of Remembrance

The Baltimore County Fire Service's annual Ceremony of Remembrance, which honors those members who have lost their lives in the line of duty, was held May 18 at the Fire Service Memorial Shrine in Patriot Plaza in Towson.

Forty-four Baltimore County firefighters and emergency medical personnel have died in the line of duty. These include 20 career members and 24 volunteer members.

The shrine was built entirely with funds raised by members of the Fire Service. Inscribed on the monument are the names of the fallen and words from John 15:13: "Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends."

**Baltimore County Fire Service
Memorial Shrine,
Patriot Plaza, Towson**



September 28, 2014: Fire Service Memorial Ceremony

A memorial service was held September 28 at Towson United Methodist Church.

This annual memorial service honors past and present career and volunteer firefighters, emergency medical personnel, ladies' auxiliary members and other fire service members who passed away during the previous year.

The Fire Service remembered 22 career and 20 volunteer members, including FADO Robert Fogle III, a 27-year veteran of the Baltimore County Fire Department. Fogle went into cardiac arrest during a training exercise on May 30 at the Fire-Rescue Academy in Sparrows Point and was pronounced deceased at Johns Hopkins Bayview Medical Center.

June 5, 2014: Funeral for Fire Apparatus Driver/Operator Robert Fogle III

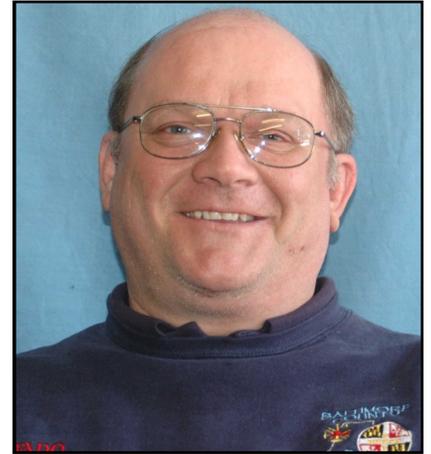
Baltimore County firefighter Robert Fogle III went into cardiac arrest during a training exercise on May 30, 2014 at the Fire-Rescue Academy in Sparrows Point. He was transported to Johns Hopkins Bayview Medical Center where he was pronounced deceased. Fogle was 58 years old and held the rank of Fire Apparatus Driver/Operator (FADO).

A memorial visitation was held at the Pleasant Valley Community Fire Company (near Westminster) on Wednesday, June 4. Funeral services also were held at the Pleasant Valley Community Fire Company on Thursday, June 5. Fogle received full Fire Service honors.

FADO Fogle was a 27-year veteran of the Baltimore County Fire Department, stationed at Pikesville Station #2.

A Westminster resident, he volunteered for more than 30 years at the Pleasant Valley Community Fire Company. He was a past member of the Taneytown Volunteer Fire Company.

Fogle also was a fire/rescue instructor with the Maryland Fire and Rescue Institute.



FADO Robert Fogle III



June 19, 2014: “Heads Up! Walk Safe” Pedestrian Safety Campaign



Baltimore County Executive Kevin Kamenetz, Fire Chief John Hohman, and Police Chief Jim Johnson announced “Heads Up! Walk Safe,” a pedestrian safety awareness campaign, at a press event at the Randallstown Fire Station, 3610 Brenbrook Road.

The “Heads Up! Walk Safe” campaign educates citizens on traffic laws that apply to pedestrians and the dangers associated with crossing illegally or while distracted.

The Baltimore County Fire and Police Departments respond to more than 400 pedestrian-vehicle crashes each year. In 2013, the number of fatal pedestrian crashes reached a five-year high. About 80 percent of the time, pedestrian error is the cause.



Fire Chief John Hohman at the podium with County Executive Kevin Kamenetz and Police Chief Jim Johnson

The campaign emphasizes:

- Laws requiring pedestrians to cross at crosswalks or intersections.
- Not being distracted by cell phones and other electronic devices while crossing.
- Visibility
- Awareness of one’s surroundings.



Pedestrian safety volunteers



Battalion Chief Jennifer Aubert-Utz and Assistant Chief Kyrle Preis

June 25, 2014: 103rd Recruit Class Graduation, Loch Raven High School

The 103rd Recruit Class graduated from the Fire-Rescue Academy on June 25, 2014. The ceremony for this class of Paramedics and Probationary Emergency Medical Technicians was held at Loch Raven High School.

103rd Recruit Class

Scott Albrecht
Brittany Baker
Dongsu Bell
Enrique Castro
Stacy Conway
Rebecca Earley
Ryan Everson
Amanda Henning
Keisha Jones
Jesse Knox
Karin McGillin
Casey O'Brien
Jaimie Philpott
William Ratcliffe
Michael Schultz
Thomas Washington
Jessica Weber
Jarron Wormley

Heather Alexander
Brian Barnes
Daniel Besseck III
Douglas Chin
Kenneth David Jr.
Matthew Eurice
Cynthia Gee
Traci Jackson
Amber Kelly
John McCormack
Ryan Miller
Travis Over
Michael Podles
Chadd Schlossnagle
Xavier Warner
Emily Wasil
Drew Williams
Diana Yon



**Valedictorian John McCormack
with Fire Chief John Hohman**



The 103rd Recruit Class

July 3, 2014: Mikulski Announces Federal Grants for Firefighting

U.S. Senator Barbara Mikulski visited the Rosedale Volunteer Fire Company to announce two federal grants totaling \$4.6 million that will address equipment and staffing needs for first responders in Baltimore County.

The money comes through the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) Program. AFG helps fire departments and EMS organizations meet firefighting and emergency response needs.



**County Executive Kevin Kamenetz
and Chief John Hohman with
Senator Barbara Mikulski**

Firefighting Equipment

The Baltimore County Fire Department will use \$2.3 million of the grant to help pay for new self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) for career and volunteer stations. The existing inventory is nearing the end of its life cycle.

Recruitment and Retention

Senator Mikulski also announced a federal SAFER (Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response) grant to the Baltimore County Volunteer Firemen's Association. The \$2.3 million grant helps volunteer fire companies recruit and retain well-trained responders.

Since 2001, Maryland fire departments and Emergency Medical Services units have received more than \$142 million in fire grant funding, over \$16 million of which has gone to fire departments and EMS units in Baltimore County.

September 27, 2014: Public Safety Day



Baltimore County Fire and Police celebrated the 10th Annual Public Safety Day at North Plaza Mall, 8966 Waltham Woods Road in Parkville.

Visitors were treated to an “up-close” look at fire and police equipment as well as entertaining and educational demonstrations given by Fire and Police personnel.

The Baltimore County Police and Community Relations Councils, Inc. sponsors this free annual event.



October 15, 2014: BCoFD Unveils New Medic Equipment

The Fire Department unveiled \$6.8 million worth of new medic equipment, consisting of 21 units, at a dedication ceremony held at the Woodlawn Fire Station.

Also unveiled were \$544,000 worth of Suburbans for use by field EMS supervisors, division chiefs and battalion chiefs.

The new medic units and Suburbans replaced older models and are assigned to career fire stations. The older models became part of the reserve fleet.

Medic Units

The medic units are 2014 ambulances manufactured by PL Custom with a Freightliner chassis. A Baltimore County Fire Department committee participated in the design process.

Features include:

- Stryker power stretcher and power load system. The system has a 700-pound capacity and is designed to increase patient safety when loading and unloading.
- Ferno power stair chair with a 500-pound capacity gives providers greater ability to ascend and descend steps.
- Increased wheel base and specialized braking system provide a safer and more comfortable ride.
- Safety lighting has been improved.

Suburbans

The weight of these vehicles has been reduced from $\frac{3}{4}$ ton to $\frac{1}{2}$ ton, making them more fuel efficient than previous models.



One of the new medic units.
(Photo provided by Michael Schwartzberg.)



The new EMS 8.

October 23, 2014: CPR/AED Event, Parkville Fire Station

Cardiac event survivors joined Fire, EMS and elected officials at the Parkville Fire Station to raise awareness of the dangers of sudden cardiac arrest and the importance of cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and defibrillation.

Elise Fellner, 16, of Forest Hill and her family shared her survival story. Elise was trying out for volleyball at a school in Kingsville when she collapsed. Her coach and the athletic director immediately began CPR. BCoFD EMS crews followed up with defibrillation, using an automatic external defibrillator (AED). Elise made a full recovery.

Other local survivors of cardiac arrest who shared their stories at the event:

- Richard Beverage, 61, of Parkville;
- Chris Malczewski, 32, of Parkville;
- Bob Pollack, 53, of Middle River;
- Ann January, 44, of Parkville; and
- Kim Barranco, 48, of Towson.



**Past and Present Cardiac Survivors with
Baltimore County Fire Chief John Hohman and
County Executive Kevin Kamenetz**

December 3, 2014: Fire Prevention Week Poster Contest Ceremony

The Fire Department’s annual Fire Prevention Week Poster Contest Ceremony recognized public and private school third-graders who designed posters that focused on home fire detection and illustrated the theme, “Smoke Alarms Save Lives – Test Yours Every Month.”

The ceremony was held at Loch Raven High School.

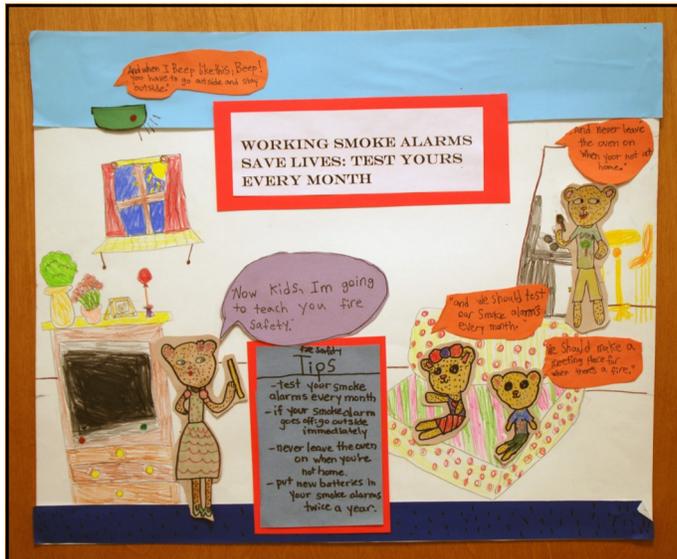
The winners:

- First place: Christina Schaeffer from Catonsville Elementary won \$100, plus other prizes
- Second place: Avery DeBorde from Jacksonville Elementary won \$50
- Third place: Hannah Harris from Sparks Elementary won \$50
- Fourth place: Rebecca Liao from Jacksonville Elementary won \$35
- Fifth place: Mia Cucuzzella from Cromwell Valley Elementary won \$35
- Honorable Mention: 37 winners received \$25 each



**First Place: Christina Schaeffer,
Catonsville Elementary School**

The Baltimore County Professional Fire Fighters Association, Local 1311 and the Baltimore County Volunteer Firemen’s Association provided the monetary awards.



**Second Place: Avery DeBorde,
Jacksonville Elementary School**



**Third Place: Hannah Harris,
Sparks Elementary School**

December 15, 2014: 104th Recruit Class Graduation, Loch Raven High School

The 104th Recruit Class graduated from the Fire-Rescue Academy on December 15, 2014. Ceremonies for this class of Paramedics and Probationary Emergency Medical Technicians were held at Loch Raven High School.

104th Recruit Class

Kevin Abendschoen
Cara Attanasio
Tyler Bowers
Joseph Brush II
Jessica Burkins
Ronald Cardwell Jr.
Mario Chauvin
Emily Dilworth
Ashley Downer
Lindsay Goff
Shanna Hamlin
Robin Johnson
Ericka McKoy
Joshua Montague
Audrey Puleio
Thomas Rice Jr.
Jesse Sanders
Sandra Scott
John Sibiga III
Caleb Spriggs

Tyler Armstrong
Andrew Barrows
Charles Brian
Joshua Burkins
Rebecca Cantera
Joel Carr
Matthew Chesney
William Doetzer
Christopher Evans
Sasha Hamlet
Kevin Hudson
NaKeesha King
Morgan McLennan
Michael Morris
Amanda Reitz
Taylor Russell
Teresa Santos
Whitney Sharpe
Damon Smith



The 104th Recruit Class,
taking the
Oath of Office.



Fire Captain
Scott Russell returns
from Afghanistan and
surprises his son,
PEMT Taylor Russell,
at his graduation
ceremony.



The 104th Recruit Class

March 10, 2015: 2014 Commendations and Promotional Ceremony

The Fire Department recognized personnel who were promoted and who performed exceptionally in 2014 at its annual Promotional and Commendations Ceremony, held March 10, 2015 at Goucher College.

Promotions

Battalion Fire Chief

Timothy Lowman

David Bycoffe

Fire Captain

Michael Berna
Frederick Koch III

Michael Curtis
Edmund Schwartz Jr.

Gregg Deitz

Fire Lieutenant

Jason Baldwin
Jeffrey Coleman
William Lutostanski Jr.
Richard Snyder

Richard Brooks IV
Jason Cromer
Steven Mooney
Philip Stuart

David Buckingham
Michael DeLuca
Kevin Nagy
Brandon Warren

Fire Apparatus Driver/Operator (FADO)

John Cannon Jr.
Jerry Ertwine
John Simone
Scott Wittbecker

Jeremiah Cole
Leslie O'Neal
Travis Swonger
Patrick Zoltowski

Julius DeMans II
Edmund Saunders
Samuel Valencia

EMS Lieutenant

Scott Davidson

Kevin Palmer

Paramedic

Heather Alexander
Brittany Baker
Tyler Bowers
Rebecca Cantera
Christopher Evans
Jessica Hayes
Charles Kolkin
Karin McGillin
Travis Over
Jesse Sanders
Drew Williams

Tyler Armstrong
Daniel Besseck III
Joseph Brush
Emily Dilworth
Ryan Everson
Lish Hogan
Brandon Krick
Morgan McLennan
Jaimie Philpott
Monica Simpkins

Cara Attanasio
Jason Bosley
Jessica Burkins
Rebecca Earley
Lindsay Goff
Amber Kelly
Amanda Magaro
Casey O'Brien
Audrey Puleio
Emily Wasil

Fire Specialist

Keith Blackmon
Lamont Garris
Darnell Harrison
William Steward

Gregory Cook
Carl Gentile Sr.
Ronald Imbragulio
Andrew West Jr.

Anthony Demory
Jessica Greaver
John Krause II

Office Coordinator

Deborah Blades

March 10, 2015: 2014 Commendations and Promotional Ceremony

Commendation Awards

Departmental Commendation

Fire Lt. Jeff Coleman
FS Christopher Hale
FADO Jason Porrovcchio

FS Evan Dayhoff
Fire Lt. Kurt Holloway
FADO Robert Tracey

Fire Lt. Paul Fenush
FF Joseph Murphy III

Departmental Distinguished Service Award

EMS Lt. Jeanette Barshinger

BC Thomas Kimbel

Departmental Unit Citation

FF Ryan Ayres
Fire Capt. Timothy Berkeridge
EMT Terrilyn Brown
Fire Capt. Jeff Coleman
FS Evan Dayhoff
PM Latina Dorsey
FADO Jerome Gilmore Jr.
FADO Jeff Hale
FADO Rodney Hyde
EMS Lt. Tasha Kearney
FF Dennis Krebs
FADO Kenneth McLaughlin Jr.
PEMT Travis Over
PFF Justin Parker
EMT/FF Ryann Ratcliffe
PM/FF Houston Reynolds
EMT/FF Michael Robinson Jr.
PM Jason Russell
Fire Lt. Stephen Sindler
EMT Brandon Thomas
PM/FF James Vincent
PM Pamela Westfall
FADO Richard Yingling Jr.

Fire Lt. Jason Baldwin
EMS Lt. Reynold Blubaugh III
FF James Cahn
EMT/FF Melissa Coroneos
FS Timothy DeCoursey
FADO Henry Eckhardt
EMS Capt. Kimberly Glaze
FF James Handy
EMT/FF Katarion Jackson
EMT/FF Kevin Klauza
FADO Ira Lapps Jr.
FF Mark Mechlin
PFF Johnny Owens
PM/FF Veronica Paugh
EMT Candy Reinhardt
EMT/FF Gayron Rigby
Fire Lt. Louis Roody
Lt. Joshua Schumer
PM/FF Larry Smart
FF Ian Timpson
David A. Vitberg, MD
FF David Wilmot
EMT/FF Joshua Young

EMT/FF Bryan Barnes
Lt. Sean Borgmann
FADO James Carter
PEMT Kenneth David
Fire Capt. Julia Dillard
FADO Michael Fox
Fire Capt. Adam Goodman
FF Thomas Heaver
EMT Jennifer Johnson
PM Jesse Knox
Lt. Scott Mabry
Officer Vincent E. Moore
Lt. William Packo
EMT/FF Stephen Pearce
FF Glenn Resnick
DC Michael Robinson
FADO Thomas Ruhl
EMT Craig Serrin
FF Kenneth Tawney
FS Mark Trump
FS Eric Wentworth
FF Lewis Woolf
FADO Patrick Zoltowski

Departmental Meritorious Service Award

FS Terry Curlee

Captain Blaine Kurrle

Citizen's Medal of Honor

Mr. Melvin Bey
Mr. Craig Coleman

Mr. Joshua Burns
Mr. Bryan Rose

Mr. Chad Foster

Citizen's Certificate of Merit

Miss McKinley Curry

Ms. Lory Sembly

Mr. Bradley Weatherby

March 10, 2015: 2014 Commendations and Promotional Ceremony



Fire Chief John J. Hohman with promoted Paramedic Rebecca Cantera



Fire Chief John J. Hohman, awarding Fire Lt. Jeff Coleman the Departmental Commendation Award



Citizen's Medal of Honor recipient Chad Foster, with his family and Chief Hohman



Fire Lt. Dave Buckingham, being sworn in



The Fire Department Honor Guard

Noteworthy Fire & EMS Incidents

January 30: 3-Alarm Fire with Rescue in Pikesville



**Apartment fire on Tentmill Lane in Pikesville.
(Box 18-13)**

At 3:01 a.m., Baltimore County received a call for an apartment fire at 37 Tentmill Lane in Pikesville. Crews found fire in a second floor apartment and were faced with multiple rescues.

The fire displaced about 20 residents and injured two. Salt trucks assisted since cold weather and icing conditions complicated operations.

February 4: Essex House Fire with Rescue

Baltimore County firefighters responded at 9:02 a.m. to 735 North Essex Avenue in Essex for a dwelling fire with rescue. The Essex Fire Station's Engine 7 was the first unit on the scene and found a two-story single family home fully involved with fire.

Before the arrival of fire crews, a police officer and a neighbor made forcible entry into the home and rescued a woman from inside.

Police charged a 65-year-old neighbor with burning the house.



**House fire on Essex Avenue in Essex.
(Box 7-5)**

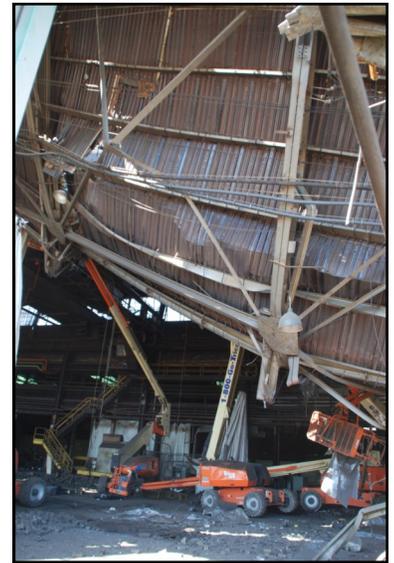
May 5: Building Collapse at Sparrows Point Steel Plant, 1577 Sparrows Point Road

At 10:01 a.m. the Fire Department received a call for a building collapse at the Sparrows Point steel plant.

Workers were in the area of the old tin mill doing demolition work on the Old Cold Strip Mill when the roof collapsed. Nine workers were injured.



**Building collapse at Sparrows Point steel plant.
(Box 57-01)**



June 24: Condominium Fire, 9 Warren Lodge Court, Cockeysville

At 1:02 p.m., Baltimore County Fire and Police personnel responded to 9 Warren Lodge Court at Warren Lodge Condominiums, Box 17-19, for a fire.

Engine 17 from the Texas Station called a second alarm at 1:07 p.m. Residents of the building evacuated. There were no injuries reported.

June 25: Two-Alarm Apartment Fire, 9610 Southall Road, Randallstown

Fire crews responded to a reported apartment fire at 9610 Southall Road in Randallstown, Box 46-03, at approximately 11:40 p.m.

Arriving units found fire showing from the roof and the second floor of the apartment building. Police and fire crews rescued residents.

The fire displaced 30 residents and damaged 16 apartments. One firefighter suffered a minor injury.

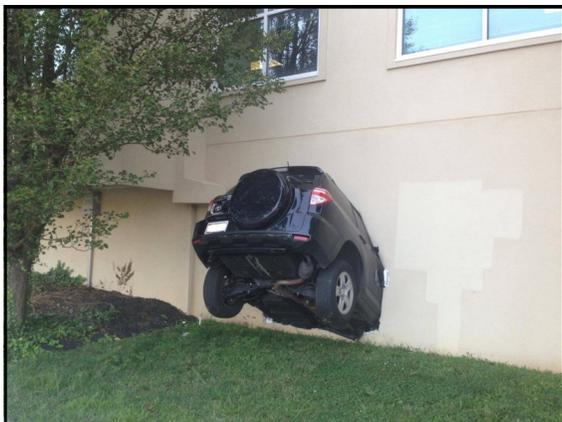


**Two-alarm apartment fire on Southall Road.
Photo by Michael Schwartzberg.
(Box 46-03)**

June 30: Building Fire, Sagamore Farms, Reisterstown

At 11:28 p.m. fire crews responded to the Sagamore Farms property at 3501 Belmont Avenue, Box 40-09, for a building fire. The building was an old barn that had been converted into apartments for farm employees. The apartments were not occupied.

July 31: Vehicle Crash, Drumcastle Center, 6401 York Road, Towson



**Car rams into Drumcastle Center.
(Box #11-12)**

A driver of a Toyota RAV4 was driving through the county-owned Drumcastle Center parking lot at a high rate of speed, when she struck an unoccupied parked vehicle, struck a curb and became airborne before crashing through the building. The crash occurred around 7:40 a.m.

The driver and passenger of the Toyota suffered minor injuries. One woman who was inside the building at the time of the crash – a 45-year-old Baltimore County Social Services worker – suffered non life-threatening injuries.

County building engineers inspected the building and found the damage superficial. About 860 state and county employees work at the Drumcastle Center.

The driver of the SUV was charged with failure to reduce speed to avoid a collision.

December 8: Two-Alarm Fire at Rosedale Roofing

Fire crews were dispatched at 1:36 p.m. to a fire at Rosedale Roofing at 1201 Middle River Road, Box 12-02.

First-arriving crews found heavy fire and smoke coming from the warehouse. There were no rescues. Commanders quickly called for a second alarm and moved to a defensive strategy.

The fire continued to burn inside the warehouse into the evening. Fire commanders dispatched heavy equipment to help them remove a wall to avoid a potentially dangerous collapse.



**Two-alarm fire at Rosedale Roofing.
(Box 12-02)**

December 9: Fatal Two-Alarm Apartment Fire in Owings Mills

At 2 a.m., fire crews responded to 4 Tricount Court, Box 31-02, in the Painters Mill Apartments, for a report of an apartment fire.

Firefighters rescued a man and a woman from an apartment on the second floor. The woman was transported to Johns Hopkins Bayview Burn Center for treatment of serious injuries. The injured man was transported to Northwest Hospital Center, where he later died.

The fire was relatively small and contained to the second floor apartment.

December 20: Barn Fire, Manor Road in Glen Arm

At 6:12 p.m., fire crews responded to a barn fire at 13007 Manor Road, Box 38-09. The fire required a Tanker Strike Team and escalated to two alarms.

A barn, tractor, and large stack of hay fed the fire and kept crews on scene for most of the night. The fire was reported under control at 11:55 p.m. The Air National Guard, and fire crews from Harford County and York County, PA provided mutual aid.



**Barn fire on Manor Road in Glen Arm.
(Box 38-09)
Photo provided by
Providence Volunteer Fire Company, Station 29.**

Retirements

The Fire Department said “goodbye” to 34 sworn and civilian members who retired in 2014.

We wish these friends and colleagues a happy and well-deserved retirement.

FF/EMT George Brooks	February 7, 2014
FADO Gregory Lewis	February 19, 2014
FS Irvin Lewis	February 19, 2014
Fire Lieutenant Timothy Bankard	March 8, 2014
FADO Thomas Fabrizio Jr.	March 21, 2014
Fire Lieutenant George Welkie Jr.	March 21, 2014
Fire Captain Dean Smith	April 18, 2014
FS William Connolly Jr.	April 23, 2014
Fire Lieutenant Vernon Noratel	May 2, 2014
FADO Jan Shenberger	May 3, 2014
Fire Lieutenant Ronald Bursey	May 5, 2014
PM Melissa Spittel	May 16, 2014
FS Burton Smith	May 18, 2014
FADO Robert Fogle III	May 31, 2014 (posthumous)
Fire Captain Steven Biddison	June 1, 2014
FF/EMT Craig Clinton	June 1, 2014
Fire Captain William Gardner Jr.	June 1, 2014
Fire Captain Robert Weis	June 6, 2014
FS Donald Adams	June 7, 2014
FADO Louis Schaller	June 16, 2014
EMS Lieutenant Barbara Greenfeld	June 17, 2014
Fire Captain George Knopp	August 25, 2014
FADO Lester Manis	August 30, 2014
FADO Daniel Bollinger	October 17, 2014
Fire Captain Gilbert Fowble	October 17, 2014
EMT Gary Lay	October 17, 2014
EMT Robert Shiflett	November 16, 2014
Fire Captain John Hoffman Jr.	November 19, 2014
FADO Curtis Brothers	November 28, 2014
Battalion Chief Thomas Kimbel	December 3, 2014
FADO Kevin Banister	December 17, 2014
PM/FF Donald Pickle	December 20, 2014
EMS Lieutenant Henry Chinery	December 22, 2014
FS Gregory Cleveland	December 29, 2014

In Memoriam

Seventeen members, current and retired, passed away in 2014.
They remain in our hearts and prayers.

Richard Schweitzer	d. January 1, 2014
Roy Harman	d. January 6, 2014
Herman Mairose	d. March 4, 2014
Patrick Gibson	d. March 14, 2014
Dora Waddy	d. March 28, 2014
Paul Grogan	d. April 5, 2014
Bernard Klemm	d. April 7, 2014
Wayne Vaughn	d. April 12, 2014
Bobbie Miller	d. May 3, 2014
David Clegg	d. May 24, 2014
William Deitz	d. May 29, 2014
Robert Fogle	d. May 30, 2014
Lonnie Allen	d. July 1, 2014
Thomas O'Connor	d. July 7, 2014
Ralph Basler	d. August 2, 2014
Richard Yannicci	d. October 29, 2014
William Saunders	d. December 1, 2014

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MISSION STATEMENT

THE MISSION OF THE BALTIMORE COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT IS TO PROVIDE THE HIGHEST QUALITY FIRE PROTECTION, EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES, FIRE PREVENTION, SAFETY EDUCATION, COMMUNITY SERVICES, AND MITIGATION OF EMERGENCY AND NON-EMERGENCY INCIDENTS TO THE CITIZENS OF AND VISITORS TO BALTIMORE COUNTY.

OUR SERVICE DELIVERY IS ENHANCED THROUGH TRAINING, EDUCATION, PLANNING, AND TEAMWORK. WE WILL SAFELY ACHIEVE OUR MISSION WHILE REMAINING ECONOMICALLY RESPONSIBLE THROUGH THE EFFECTIVE AND EFFICIENT USE OF ALL RESOURCES.

ORGANIZATIONAL VALUES

**PRIDE
RESPECT
INTEGRITY
DEDICATION
EXCELLENCE**

**CHIEF JOHN J. HOHMAN
BALTIMORE COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT**

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BALTIMORE COUNTY EXECUTIVE**