

# **Brock Township Fire Department**



**2017  
Annual Report**

# Dedicated in Memory



**1<sup>st</sup> Class Firefighter Ron Mason**  
**June 26, 1961 – January 21, 2017**

### **Mission Statement**

The Brock Township Fire Department is a team of highly trained and dedicated firefighters; it is our mission to provide the highest standard of service to all those who may seek our help. Through public fire safety education, fire safety standards, enforcement and emergency response, the department is committed to safely protecting the lives, property and environment of Brock Township.

### **Vision Statement**

To provide the citizens of Brock Township with a safe, progressive, innovative and proactive Fire Department. Through a unified forward-thinking organization, we will create a commitment to excellence through professionalism, honesty, integrity and respect for our customers and each other.

### **Slogan**

Caring for the Community with Pride, Professionalism and Prevention

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# Pride Professionalism Prevention



## Building A Fire Safe Community



## Message from the Fire Chief

Your Worship Mayor John Grant and Members of Council, it brings me great pleasure to provide you with the 2017 Brock Township Fire Department Annual Report. As I look back on our accomplishments in 2017, I am extremely proud of the commitment to the citizens of this Township that is demonstrated every day by all fire department personnel. The pride, dedication and commitment are so evident when we are called upon to perform the multitude of emergency and non-emergency services that we deliver to the citizens of our great Township.

In 2017 Brock Township Fire Department responded to 270 incidents, a decrease of approximately 14% from 2016. Fire responses totaled 23, approximately 8.5% of the total responses, with an estimated fire loss of \$ 1,640,900. The women & men of this department responded to 77 motor vehicle accidents, approximately 29% of the total responses, with 47% occurring on our major highways.

In 2017, we bid a fond farewell to retirees, Captain Ray Milton (45 yrs.), Captain Scott Granahan (11yrs), FF Tony Laundrie (19 yrs.), FF Jackie Mussel (6 yrs.), FF Teresa Dalton (2 yrs.), FF Matt Campanile (2yrs).

It is with the deepest sincere sadness to say that we lost FF Ron Mason (19 yrs) who suddenly passed away on January 27, 2017.

On behalf of all personnel, I sincerely thank them for their dedication and commitment in serving the residents of Brock Township.

2017 proved to be another year of progression, with the addition of new equipment, including auto extrication equipment, P25 firefighter pagers, station air compressor and the ordering of our second 2500-gallon tanker, to be delivered in 2018.

The continued support of Council is appreciated and acknowledged as we continue our quest to deliver the very best emergency service and public fire prevention/education programs to the great residents we serve.

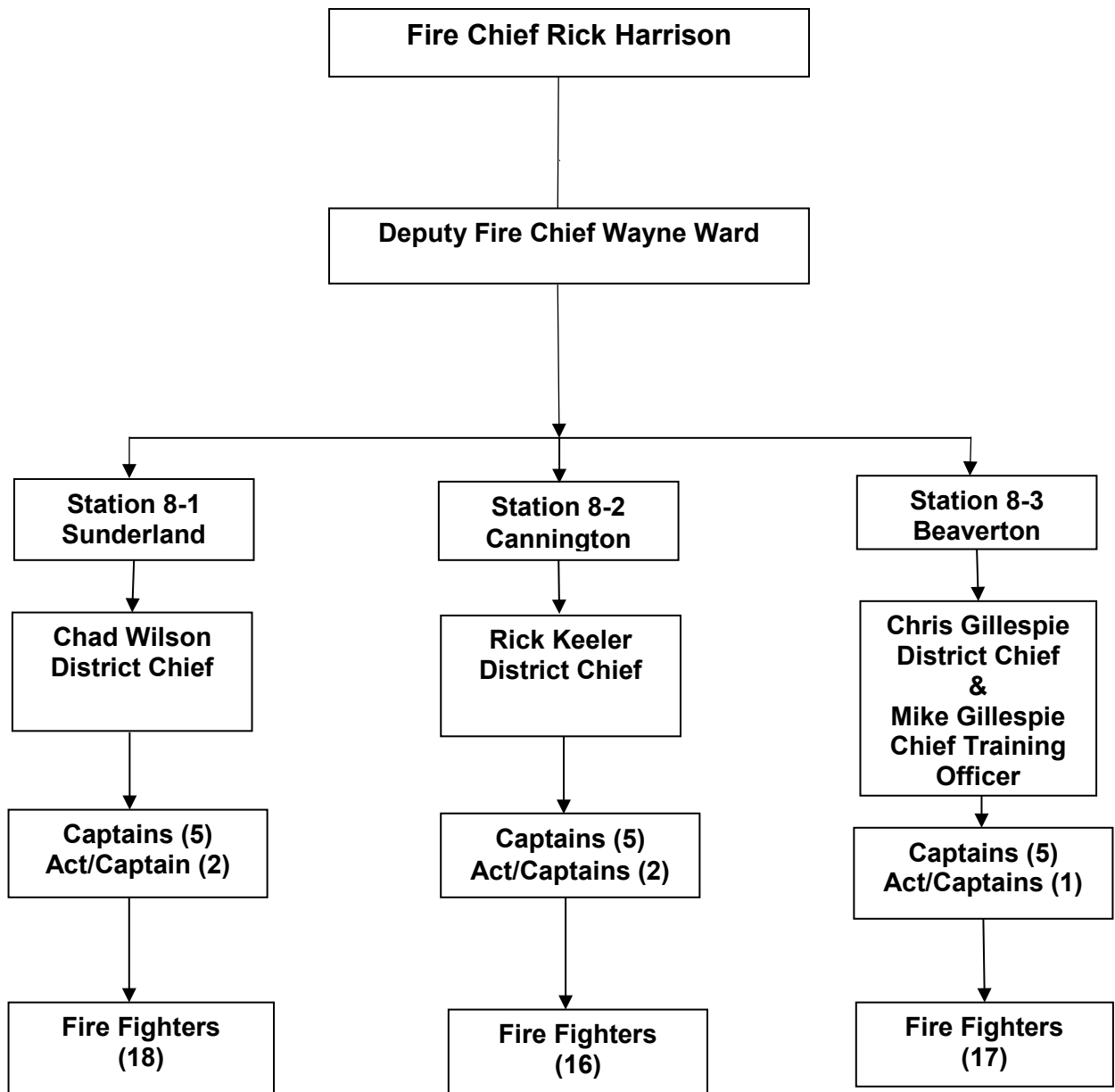
In closing, I say, "Thank You" and ask that the Mayor and Members of Council continue to be proactive in delivering all aspects of the Fire Protection and Prevention Act.

Rick Harrison  
Fire Chief, CEMC  
Brock Township Fire Department

In 2017, Members of Council approved the Brock Township Fire Department 10 and 20-year forecast for the replacement of capital equipment. The forecast will assist in assuring the firefighters have the safest equipment available in their continued commitment to protect the residents of Brock Township.

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# Fire Department Organizational Chart



# Response Types

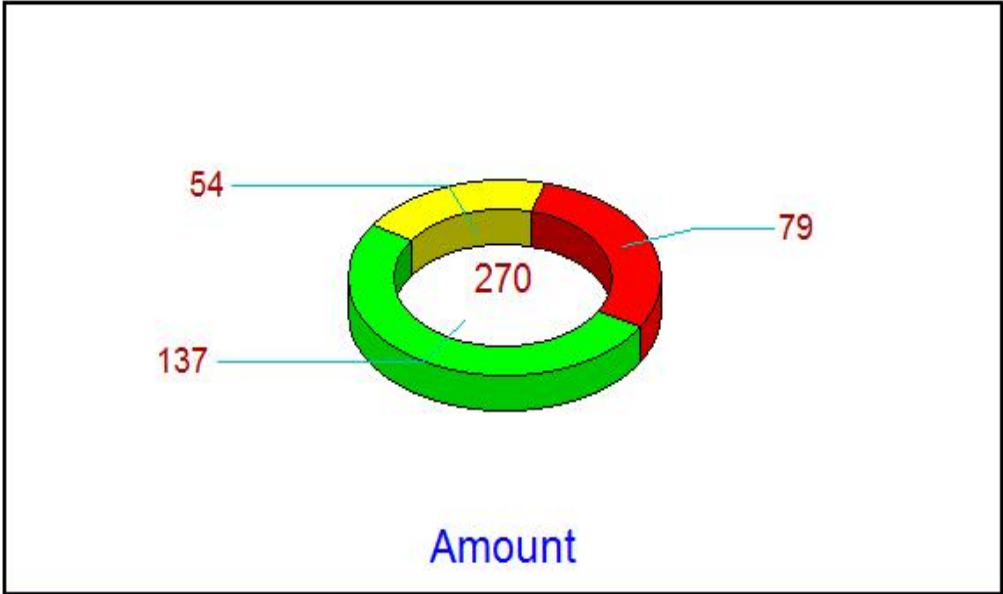
Suppression personnel respond to a variety of calls, the calls are reported to Council on a quarterly basis, under the following Response Type headings:

<b>Fires and Explosions:</b>	Instance of destructive and uncontrolled burning involving structures, vehicles and open area fires, including explosion of combustible solids, liquids or gases which may or may not have resulted in a dollar loss.
<b>Pre-fire Conditions:</b>	Incidents with no fire that involve heat or potential pre-fire conditions e.g. pot on stove, cooking – smoke or steam, lightning, fireworks.
<b>Burning (Controlled):</b>	Complaint call related to outdoor controlled burning, authorized or unauthorized.
<b>False Fire Calls:</b>	Alarm activation or fire call that when investigated, is determined to be because of equipment failure, malicious/prank, perceived emergency, accidental activation of alarm by person.
<b>CO (Carbon Monoxide) False Alarm:</b>	A call where it is determined that the detection equipment malfunctioned or there was a perceived emergency – no CO leak.
<b>Public Hazard Calls:</b>	Includes a response for spills and leaks of a hazardous product such as Natural Gas, Propane, Refrigerant, Miscellaneous/Unknown, Gasoline or Fuel, Toxic Chemical, Radio-Active Material, Power Lines Down.
<b>Rescue Calls:</b>	A call for a person in danger due to their proximity to the occurrence and who is unable to self-evacuate and is assisted by Fire Department personnel i.e. Vehicle Accident, Building Collapse, Commercial/Industrial Accident, Home/Residential Accident, Person's Trapped in Elevator, Water Rescue or Water/Ice Rescue.
<b>Medical Call:</b>	Includes a response to assist and/or administered CPR, Defibrillation.
<b>Other Responses:</b>	Assistance to other Fire Departments, call cancelled on route, non-fire incidents where an illegal grow operation or drug operation was discovered.



The 2017 audit of responses reveals the following graph.

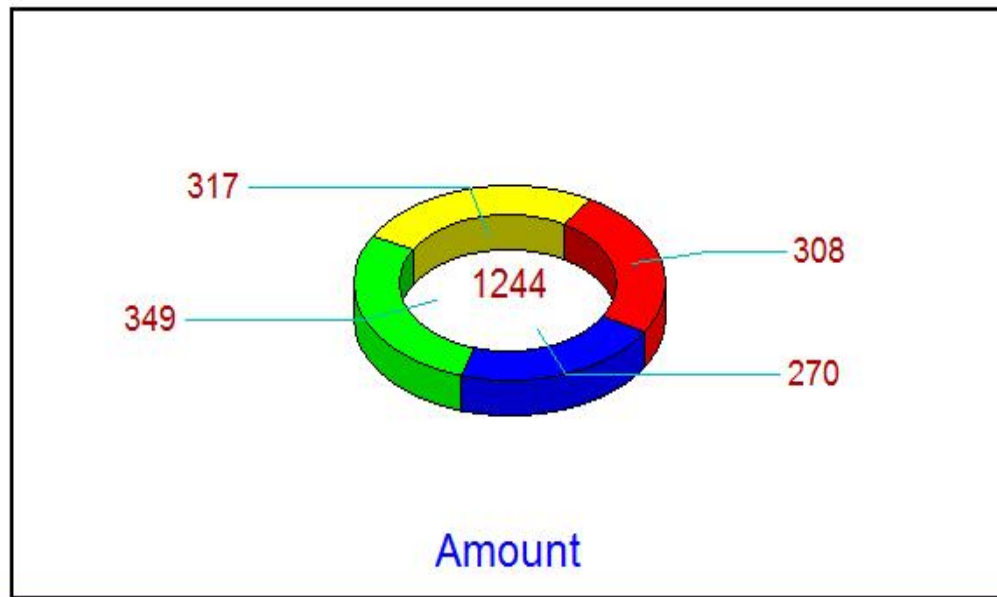
**Totals by Station**  
*From Jan 1 17 to Dec 31 17*



The following graph illustrates the 4-year trend in responses.

## Totals by Year

*From Jan 1 14 to Dec 31 17*

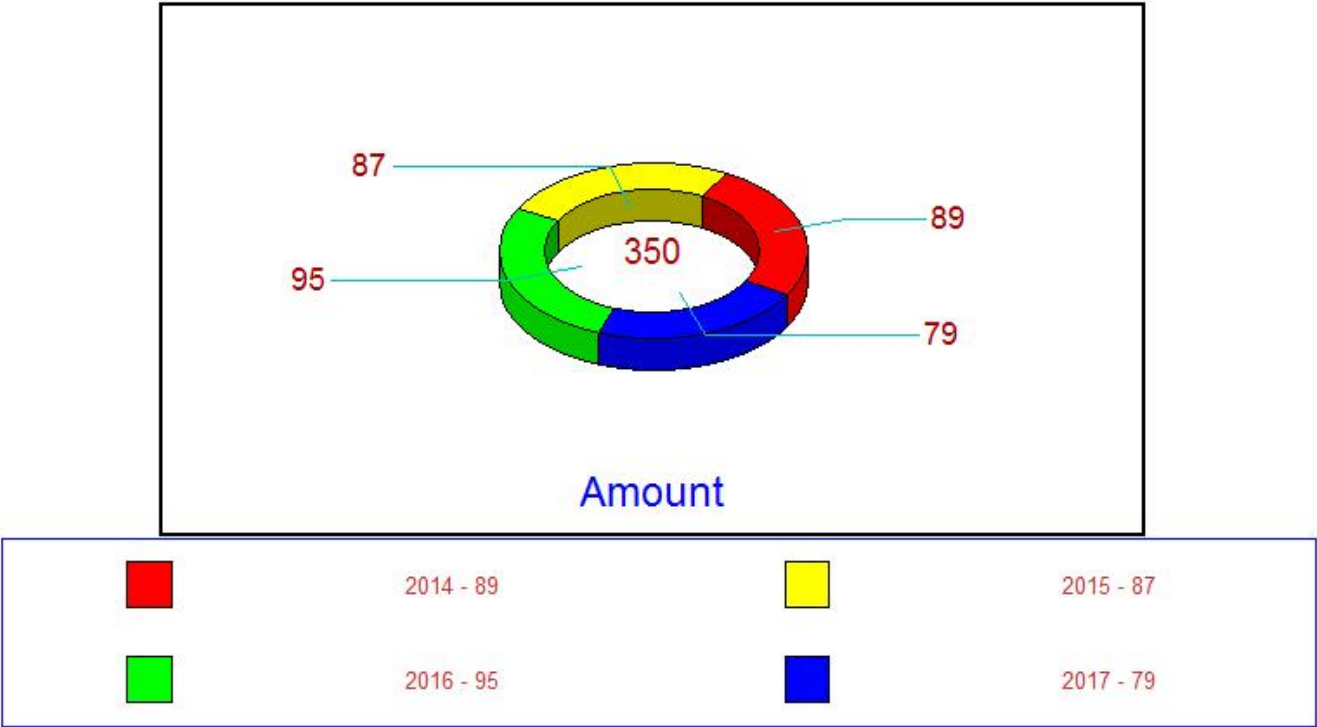


	2014 - 308		2015 - 317
	2016 - 349		2017 - 270



The following graph illustrates the 4-year trend in responses for Station 8-1.

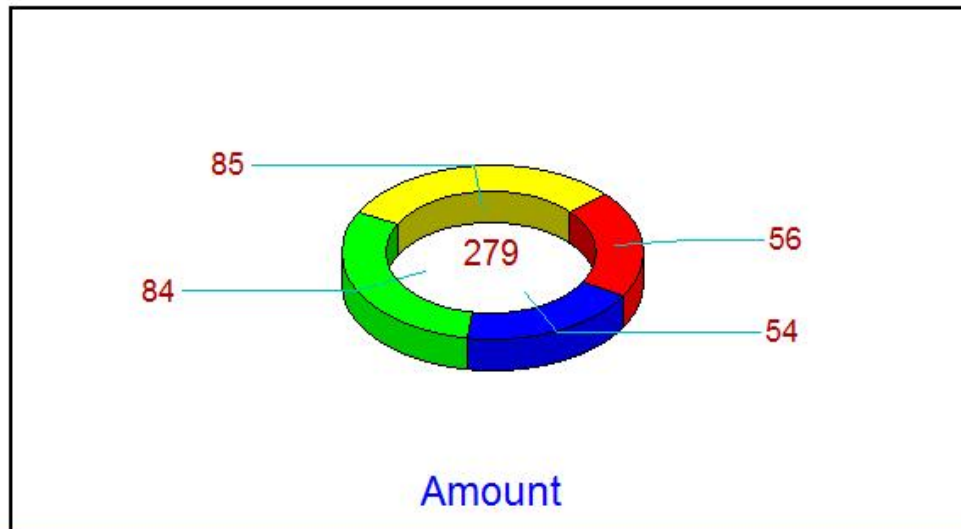
**Totals by Year**  
*From Jan 1 14 to Dec 31 17*



The following graph illustrates the 4-year trend in responses for Station 8-2.

### Totals by Year

*From Jan 1 14 to Dec 31 17*



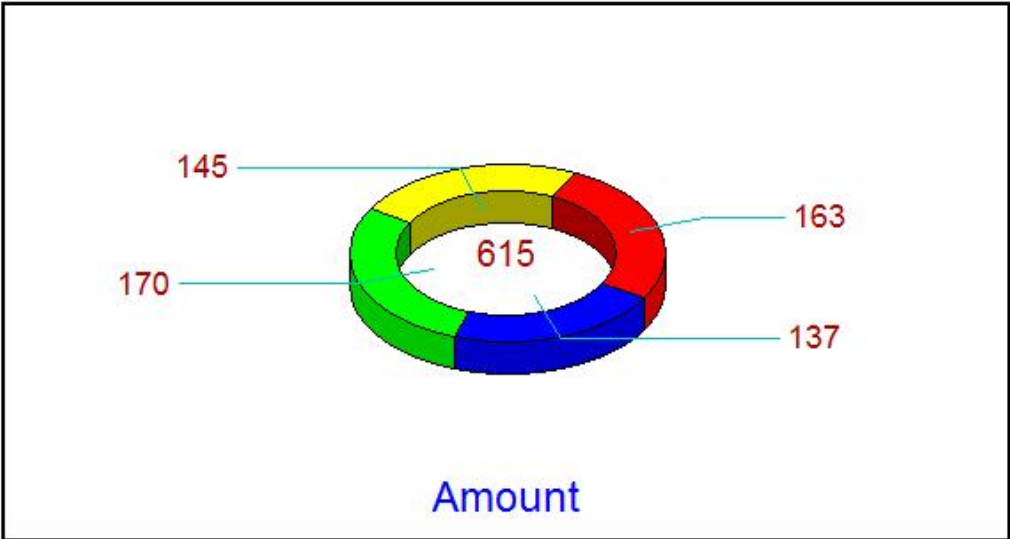
	2014 - 56		2015 - 85
	2016 - 84		2017 - 54





The following graph illustrates the 4-year trend in responses for Station 8-3.

**Totals by Year**  
*From Jan 1 14 to Dec 31 17*



	2014 - 163		2015 - 145
	2016 - 170		2017 - 137



## Deputy Chief Wayne Ward

Deputy Chief Wayne Ward began his career as a volunteer firefighter with Brock Township in 1995 and was hired as the full-time fire prevention officer in 2006. Working his way up through the ranks he was promoted to Deputy in 2016.

Reporting directly to the Fire Chief, Deputy Ward is responsible for Fire Prevention, Public Education, Fire Investigations, Burn Permits, and Fireworks operation in the Township of Brock.

The Deputy also works collaboratively with the Chief Training Officer in administering all aspects of training, specifically, First Aid, CPR and Defibrillation training.

The continuing goal of Deputy Ward is to support the first and second lines of defence: Fire Safety through Public Education, Fire Safety Standards and Enforcement.

In 2017 Deputy Ward completed 99% of the primary inspections involving commercial, mercantile, business & assembly occupancies and this process will continue throughout 2018.



**Pride Professionalism Prevention**

## **The Process of Fire Prevention Inspection Duties**

The Fire Prevention Division inspects properties as per the following requirements:

- Regularly scheduled inspections of properties
- Regularly scheduled inspection of “At Risk” properties
- Complaint request
- As a follow-up to a Fire Department response to a location
- Changes to property occupancy, ownership and/or designation
- Required inspections of “Vulnerable Occupancy” properties
- Request by an owner, operator, tenant and/or an outside entity

The inspection of a property consists of eight (8) steps

- Contact the owner/tenant;
- File search for previous inspections and/or fire code violations;
- Review applicable fire safety plan;
- Inspection of the specific building;
- Note-taking of all findings;
- Research/review of any contraventions;
- Creating inspection orders, when necessary;
- Subsequent re-inspections.

## **At Risk/Vulnerable Occupancy Properties**

As per the requirements of The Office of the Fire Marshal and Emergency Management regular inspections are required of properties that involve:

- Large combustible/chemical/hazardous storage capacities;
- Major employer in the municipality;
- Large occupant load

In addition, the Ontario Fire Code requires annual inspections and annual fire drills to be observed by the Fire Prevention Division at all “Vulnerable Occupancy” properties, specifically:

- Care Facilities
- Care and Treatment Facilities
- Retirement Homes

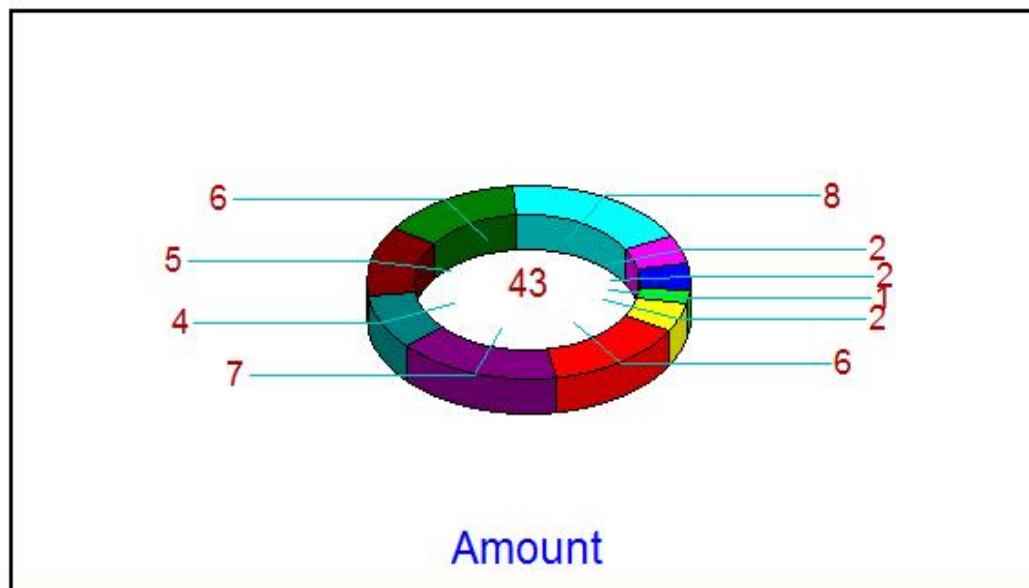
In 2017 six (6) "Vulnerable Occupancies" within Brock Township completed all requirements.

In 2017 the Fire Prevention Division completed 43 inspections and/or re-inspections, 82 fire safety plans were reviewed and 22 required to be updated.

The following graph illustrates the 2017 inspection totals as per the class of building.

## Totals by Bld. Code Class

*From Jan 1 17 to Dec 31 17*



<div></div>	- 0	<div></div>	Business and Personal Service - 2
<div></div>	Club - Fraternal - 1	<div></div>	Industrial - 2
<div></div>	Mercantile - 2	<div></div>	Multi Unit Residential - 8
<div></div>	Restaurants - 6	<div></div>	Schools & Colleges - 5
<div></div>	Single/Duplex Family Residences - 4	<div></div>	Theatres / Assemblies - 7
<div></div>	Vulnerable Ontario Occupancy - 6		





## Public Education

Public Fire Safety education is an important component of the Fire Department to increase awareness of the need for smoke alarms, carbon monoxide alarms and home escape planning, thus reducing the risk and impact of fires in our municipality.

## Smoke Alarm Program

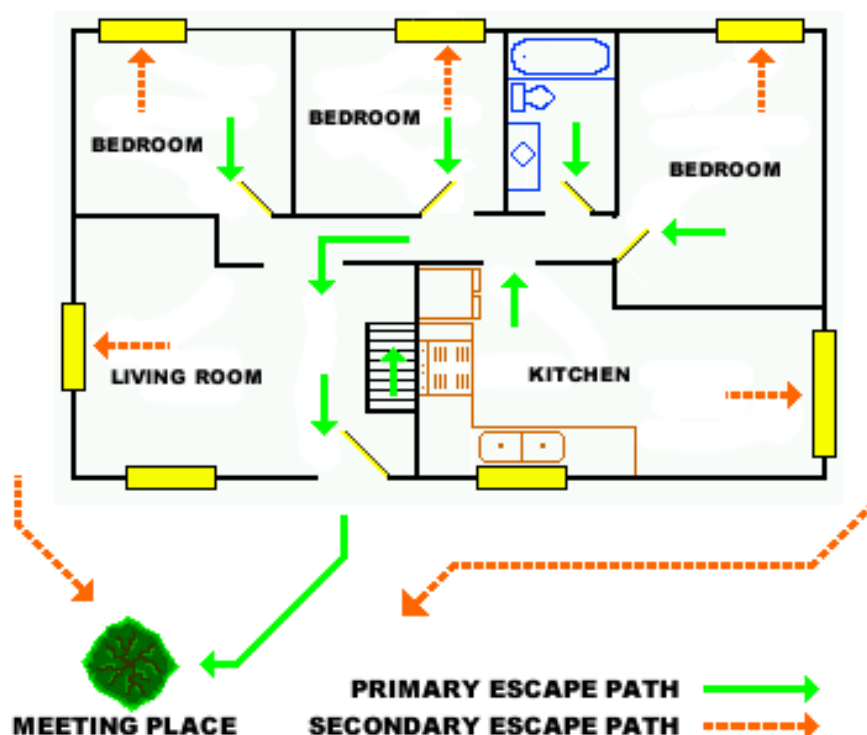
The purpose of our smoke alarm program is to distribute fire safety and emergency planning literature to the residents of our municipality.

Ontario Fire Marshal requires that each municipal fire department conducts a smoke alarm program, including home fire escape planning and distributes fire safety education materials.

## Get Real Durham Program

Get Real Durham Program was established in 2015 through the Public Educators Committee of the Durham Regional Fire Prevention Officers Association. The program provides basic fire safety information for placement of Smoke Alarms, Carbon Monoxide Alarms and Home Escape Planning.

This program continued throughout 2017, direct mail to several residences within selected communities in each municipality together with social media and websites, consistent messaging was provided throughout the Region. This program will continue in 2018 showing that the Brock Township Fire Department is committed to education our residents in fire safety.





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FOUNDATION FOR CO EDUCATION  
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**Ontario's New  
Carbon Monoxide  
Alarm Law**

***What Every Homeowner  
Needs to Know***



**endthesilence.ca**

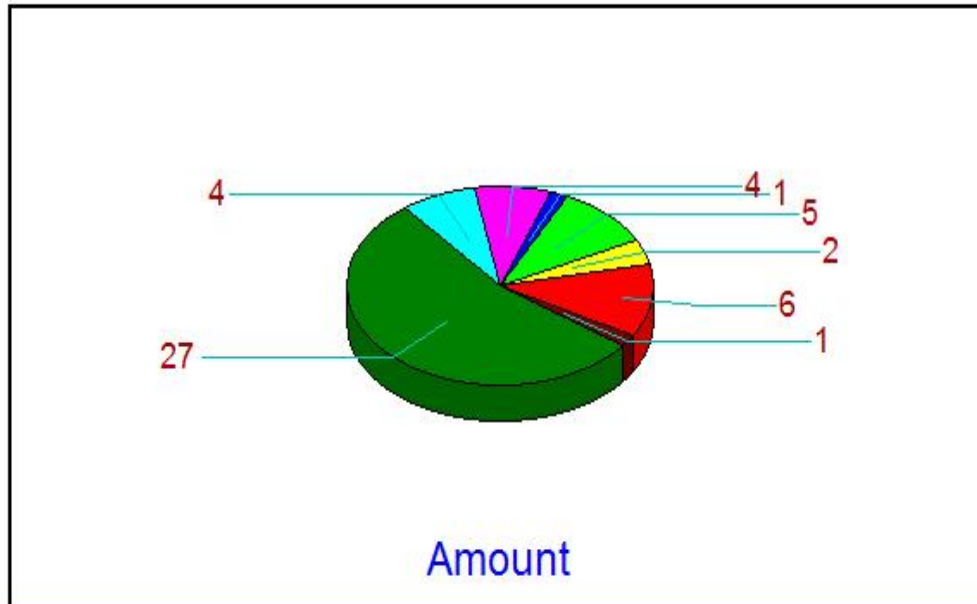
## CO Safety Tips to Protect Your Family

- It is law in Ontario to install CSA-approved CO alarms outside sleeping areas.
- CO alarms are required by law to be replaced within the time frame indicated in the manufacturer's instructions and/or on the label on the unit. Some new CO alarms offer sealed lithium batteries that last 10 years from activation.
- For optimal protection, install additional CO alarms on every floor of the home.
- Have a licensed technician inspect your fuel burning appliances annually, (e.g. furnace, range, fireplace, water heater) to ensure they are in proper working order and vented correctly.
- For families with elderly parents or relatives, it is wise to help them inspect their CO alarms.
- CO alarms don't last forever. They need to be replaced every 7-10 years, depending on the brand.
- If your alarm goes off get everyone out of the house, stay out and call 911! Exposure to CO reduces your ability to think clearly, so never delay if your alarm goes off and you sense a problem.

Graph illustrates the 2017 inspection totals as per the reason for inspection.

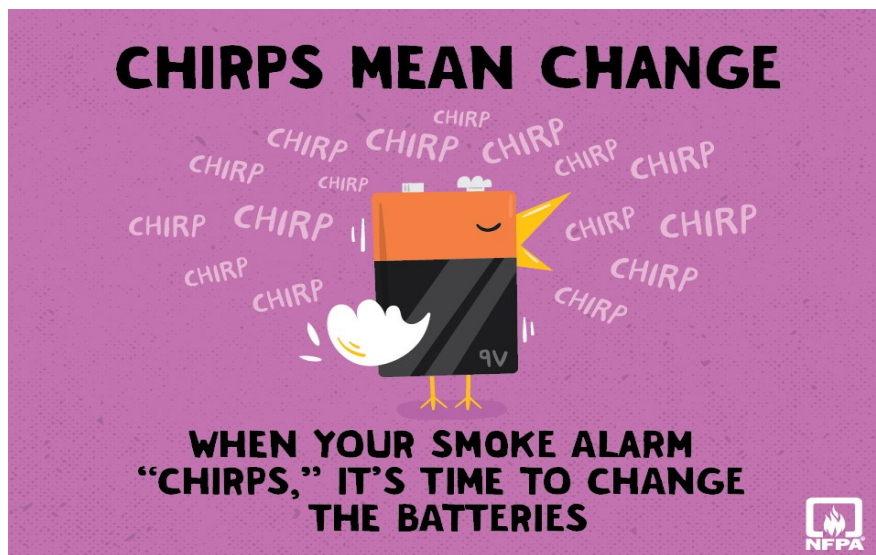
## Totals by Reason

From Jan 1 17 to Dec 31 17



	Complaint - 6		FD Response - 2
	Fire Safety Plan - 5		Licensing - 1
	Request - 4		Required by Occupancy Type - 4
	Routine - 27		Safety Concern - 1







**District Chief Chad Wilson**  
**Station 8-1 Sunderland**



**District Chief Rick Keeler**  
**Station 8-2 Cannington**



**District Chief Gillespie**  
**Station 8-3 Beaverton**



**Chief Training Officer Gillespie**  
**Station 8-3 Beaverton**



# Station 8-1 Sunderland

***DISTRICT CHIEF CHAD WILSON***

***CAPTAIN JOHNSON***

***CAPTAIN LINDENSMITH***

***CAPTAIN TEEFY***

***CAPTAIN THOMPSON***

***CAPTAIN SNOOKS***

***ACTING CAPTAIN DUNFORD***

***ACTING CAPTAIN HARGREAVES***



**BRENT ABELL**

**TYLER CARTER**

**JAMES DOLAMORE**

**RICHARD DELAHUNT**

**KRIS FLINDALL**

**JEFF HAYWARD**

**CRYSTAL JODOUIN**

**BRANDON LOWE**

**CLARK LOWE**

**MICHAEL MCCRISKIN**

**LEWIS PARKER**

**IAN ROBERTSON**

**JOSHUA SMITH**

**LES SMITH**

**JIM ST. JOHN**

**RYAN SYMES**

**COLIN THOMPSON**

**GORD WEATHERUP**







# Station 8-2 Cannington

**DISTRICT CHIEF RICK KEELER**

**CAPTAIN GEORGE**

**CAPTAIN KEELER**

**CAPTAIN O'GRADY**

**CAPTAIN RICHARD**

**ACTING CAPTAIN HEISE**

**ACTING CAPTAIN SMITH**



**MICHAEL BASSETT**

**DARREN CAMPBELL**

**WARREN CAMPBELL**

**GARTH CASSELMAN**

**RODNEY DEGEER**

**EARL FAIRWEATHER**

**KEVIN FASOLINO**

**DAVID FLOOD**

**JEFF GRAY**

**BRIAN NICHOLSON**

**CHRIS PAYNE**

**PAUL SHRIGLEY**

**KRIS STEWART**

**CARL SWEENEY**

**DARYL YEOMANSON**







## Station 8-3 Beaverton

**DISTRICT CHIEF CHRIS GILLESPIE   CHIEF TRAINING OFFICER MIKE GILLESPIE**  
**CAPTAIN CLARK   CAPTAIN CREIGHTON   CAPTAIN DANE   CAPTAIN FISHER**  
**CAPTAIN SCHAFRANEK   ACTING CAPTAIN KOUBA**



**KATIE BURLEY   BRAD CHENNIE   MIKE DAVIDSON   RICHARD DELAHUNT**  
**TRAVIS DOBLE   BRAYDON GARDNER   RYAN GILLARD   BRAD GREGSON**  
**BEN HANSON   DAN HANSON   RYAN HUTCHINSON   MIKE JUBB**  
**SCOTT SAMSON   BREYAN SINNOTT   DEREK SMITH   ROB WESLEY**  
**JIM VESSEL**





# Training and Professional Development

Continuous training ensures that firefighters and officers operate effectively and as safely as possible. The women and men of Brock Township Fire Department participate in several hours of training to ensure their readiness to serve the public when called upon.

Developing fire department personnel to the standards of the national fire protection association, best practice, Occupational Health & Safety Regulations, and the expectations of Council requires a great amount of dedication and commitment.

Chief Training Officer Mike Gillespie is responsible for developing, organizing, assigning and maintaining the fire department training program.

The Chief Training Officer is also responsible for the training and evaluating all new firefighter recruits before they respond to fire calls.

The ongoing training consist of:

- Auto Extrication Skills
- Driver Obstacle Course
- Emergency Medical Responder Training
- Fire Fighting Skills
- Pumper Operations
- Rapid Intervention
- Radio Communications
- Water/Ice Rescue
- Ropes & Knots
- Firefighter Survival
- Search & Rescue
- Fire Attack
- Ventilation
- Command
- Accountability & Entry Control





## Training for Excellence



















## Protecting the Public











Change your clock,



**CHANGE** your batteries