

# PALM BEACH GARDENS FIRE RESCUE

## 2016 First Quarter Report



*Station 2 Grand Opening*

2016

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY



FIRST QUARTER

**Total calls for service: 2,876**

**Annual Inspections: 1,074**

**Plan Review: 247**

**New Construction: 251**

**Fire Investigations: 5**

*Total Dollar loss: \$16,131*

*Potential Loss: \$8,993,720*

**Public Education Events: 19**

*Attendees: 531*

During the first quarter of 2016, Fire Rescue responded to 2,876 emergency calls, 83% of which were medical calls. These numbers were comparable to the previous quarter and 1QTR 2015. The percentage of medical call remains consistent.

Station 4 was “either/or” 65% of the time, which is consistent with the previous year.

The Honda Classic detail was staffed from February 22<sup>nd</sup>-28<sup>th</sup>. Fire Rescue responded to 52 medical emergencies during the event, which resulted in 16 transports to the hospital. Unified Command between the police department and fire rescue was established for the entire event, and went extremely well. Total overtime cost was \$39,308.75, which was \$4000.00 under the proposed budget.

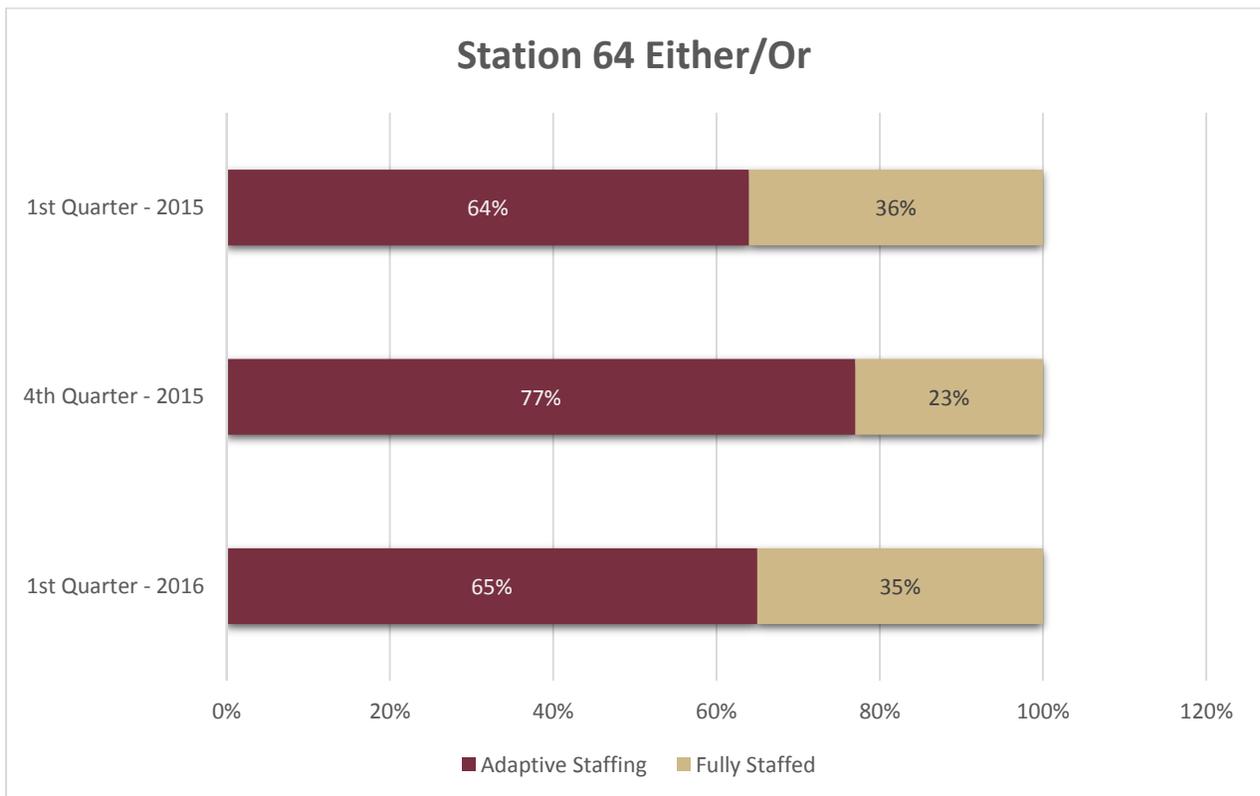
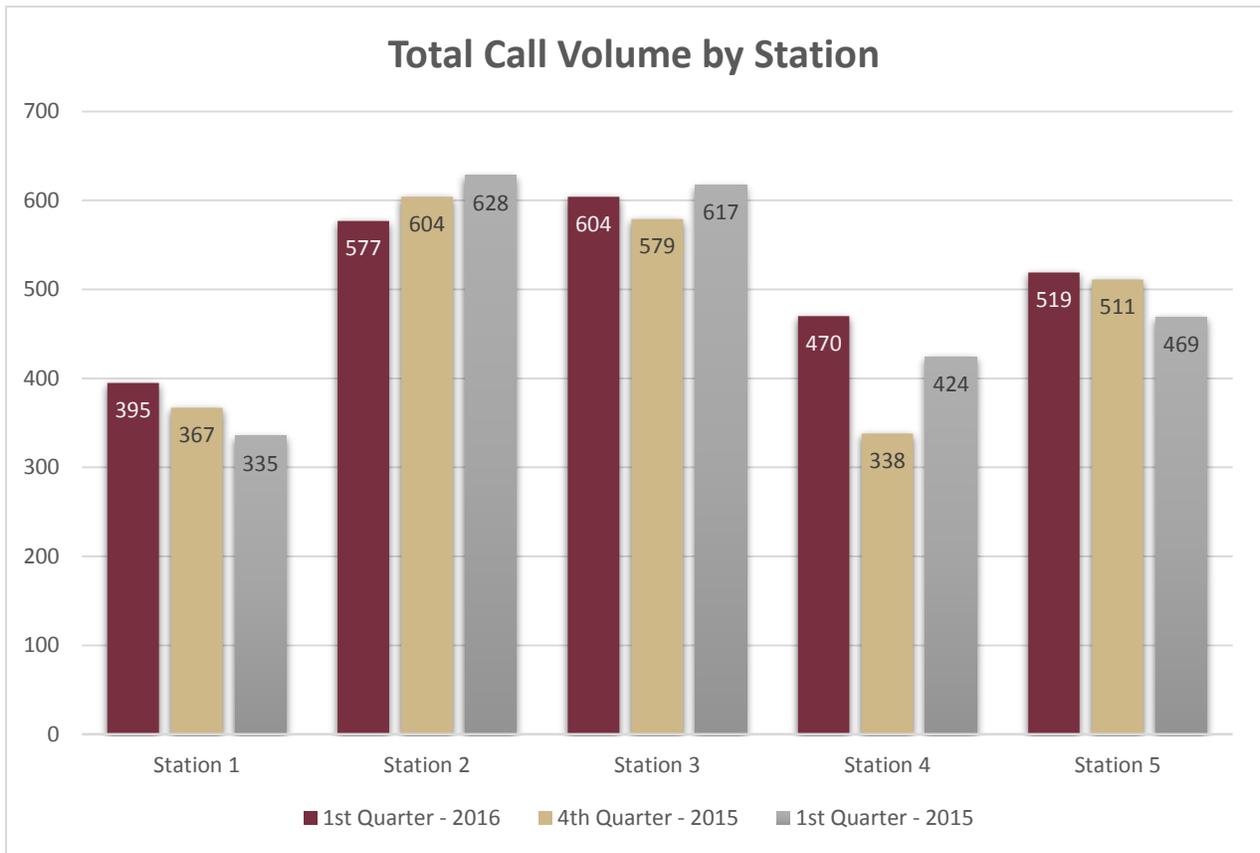
The new Station 2 was staffed and fully operational as of March 22. This state of the art station features a category 5 hurricane rating, air curtains to keep exhaust from entering the living quarters and a Locution system (an automated voice & visual alerting system). Locution speeds response time and reduces stress. Additionally, the building is LEED certified (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design).

Chief Broedell was awarded the “Outstanding Service Award” by the Florida Department of Transportation for his work with the Regional Traffic Incident Management Team.

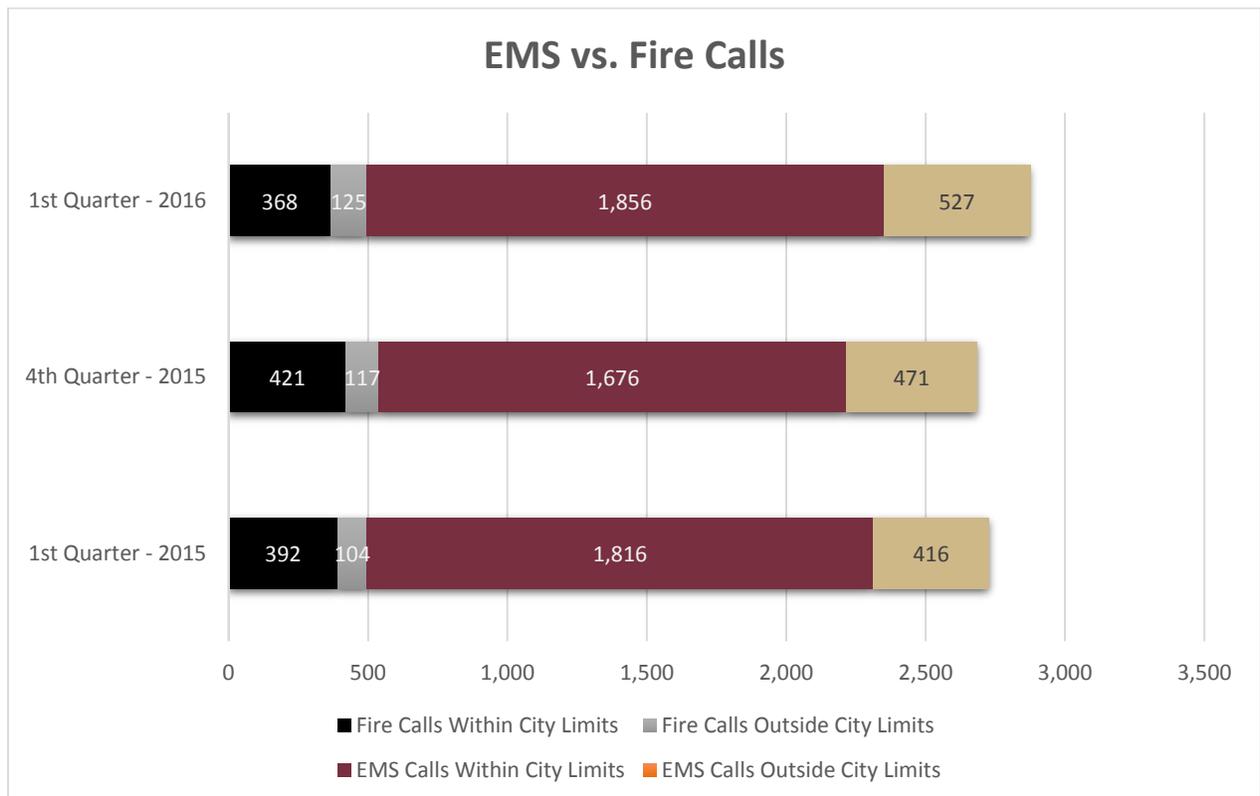
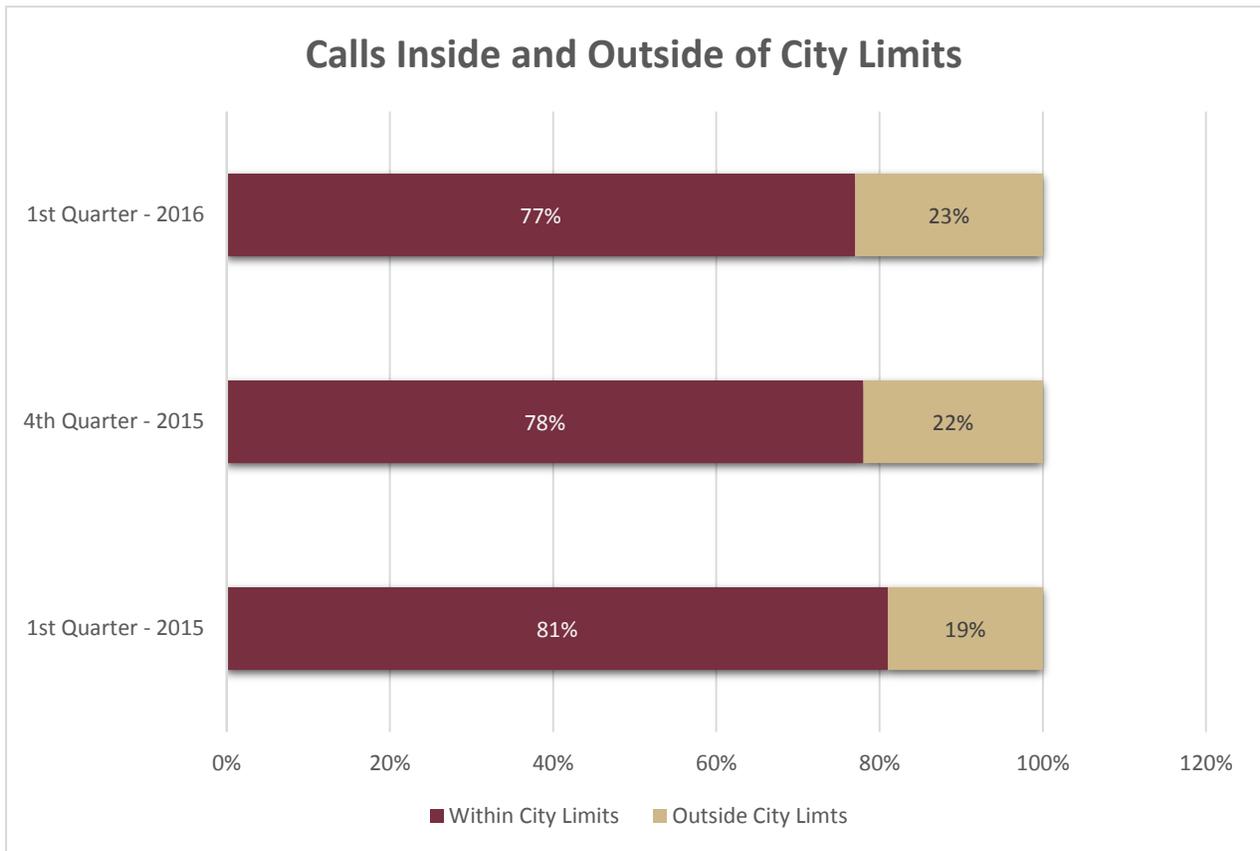
Chief Ippolito attended the 2016 Gathering of the Eagles Conference. Faculty for this worldwide conference consisted of EMS Medical Directors from 40 of the largest cities in the United States, as well as Medical Directors from the United Kingdom and Australia. The purpose of the conference is to share the most cutting-edge information and advances in EMS patient care, research and management issues. Our Medical Director, Dr. Kenneth Schepcke M.D., had the distinct honor as serving as a panelist for the conference.

The following pages contain data, charts and highlights from the operations, training and life safety divisions. The data consists of Q1 2016 as well as comparative data from the previous QTR and year.

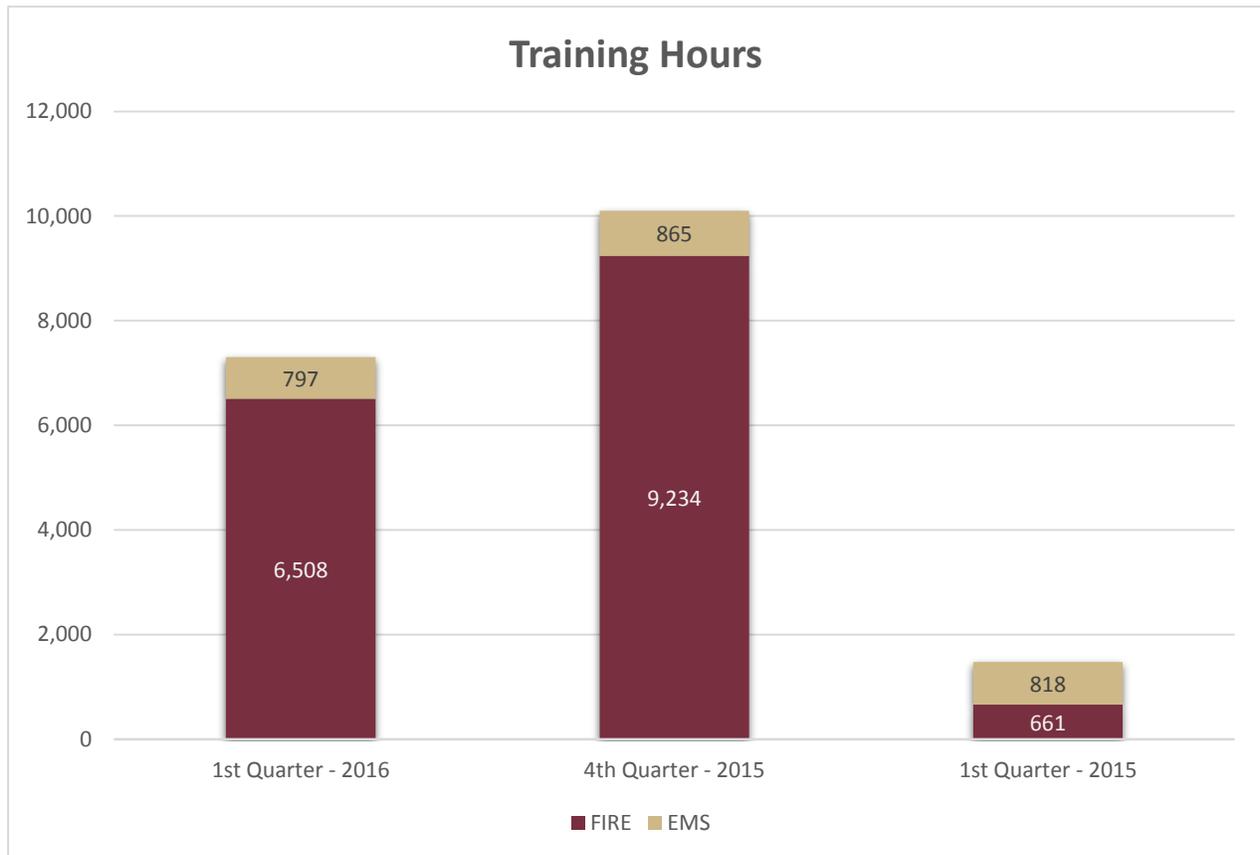
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## TRAINING DIVISION

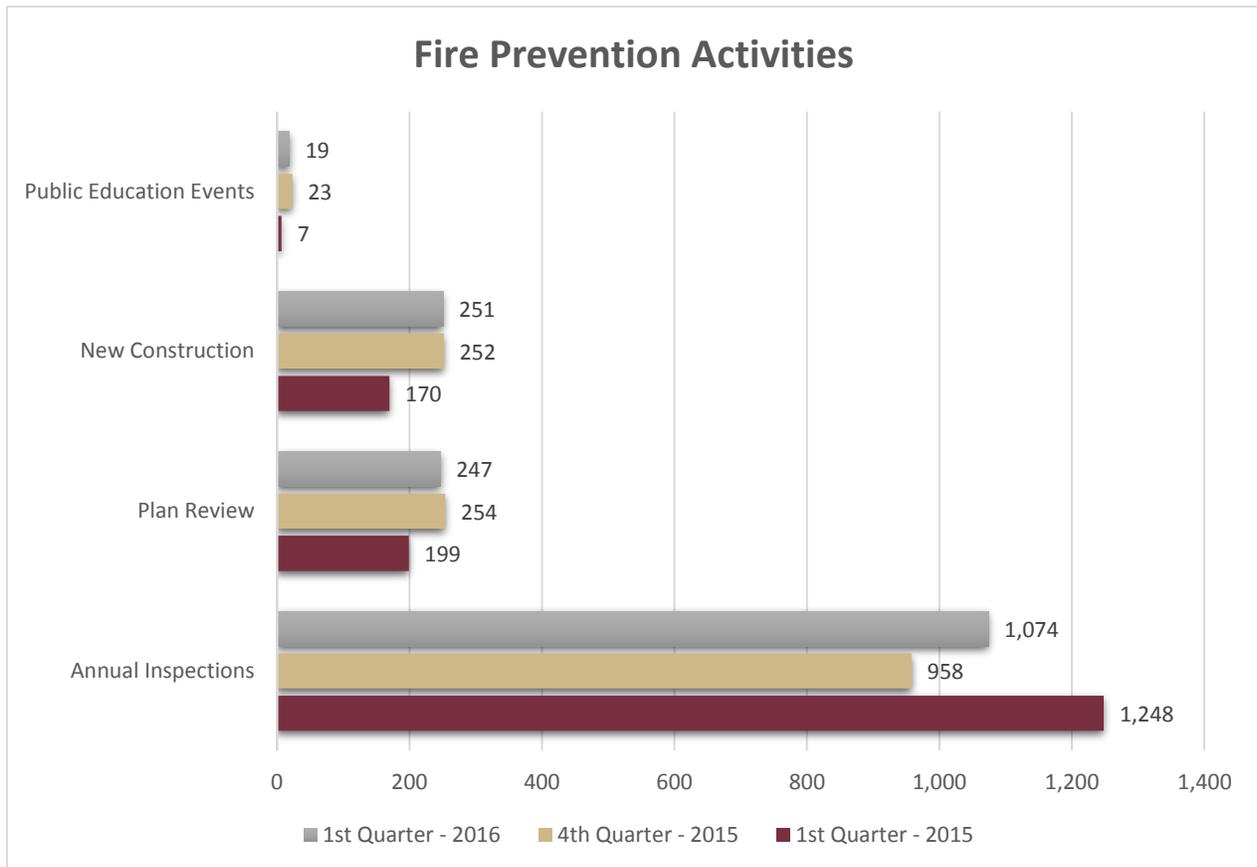


Palm Beach Gardens Fire Rescue requires more EMS certifications for our personnel than any other fire rescue agency in Palm Beach County. Additionally, cutting edge medical simulation training at the EMS Simulation Lab, ensures that crews keep up with the latest in evidence based medicine, as well as retain the skills necessary to maintain our high standards.

Fire training hours are based on ISO (Insurance Service Office) requirements. These training hours include both daily activities (vehicle checks, area familiarization and physical fitness) and formal training (hose evolutions, ladder drills and search & rescue). ISO requires each firefighter to have 196 hours of fire training each year in order to receive full credit for training.

*Note: EMS Training Q12016 was limited, as our EMS Continuous Quality Improvement program was revised.*

## LIFE SAFETY SERVICES



The Life Safety Services Division works closely with the City's Building Department, Planning and Zoning Department, Building Inspectors, and Code Enforcement Officers to ensure that both residential and commercial structures are safe and meet the City's requirements for fire protection.

## ***FIRE INVESTIGATIONS***



***1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2016***

***Total Dollar Loss - \$16,131***

***Potential Dollar Loss – \$8,993,720***

***Total Dollar Loss*** indicates the estimated dollar amount needed to repair the structure and replace contents damaged by fire.

***Potential Dollar Loss*** is the actual dollar value of the structure as per the Property Appraiser's Office. It indicates what the dollar loss would be if the structure were completely destroyed by fire. This dollar amount includes the contents of the structure, which is generally considered to be 30% of the structures value.