2021 Annual Report

Fridley Public Safety Department











To the Citizens of Fridley

On behalf of the City of Fridley, I am pleased to present the Fridley Public Safety Department's 2021 Annual Report.

In 2021, our department's theme was "keep our community's trust, one call at a time." It's no secret that the past few years have been difficult for public safety as a whole. We are thankful that our Public Safety department has continued to receive great support from the Fridley community. Our team will keep cultivating these relationships within the city to continue that support.

The department collaboration between the police and fire divisions has had outstanding success in its third year. We have spent a significant amount of time preparing for possible situations of civil unrest through thoughtful planning, acquiring proper safety equipment, and staffing. We have also added a number of great officers and firefighter candidates through our recruitment process.

We experienced a few different staffing changes in both divisions. Long-time police Lt. Jeff Guest retired after more than 20 years of service, and Sgt. Kevin Titus was promoted to the lieutenant position. Seven new police officers and a general detective were also hired. Our special operations detective team was suspended in order to better support our patrol division.

Early in January, the Fire Division welcomed its new Fire Chief/Deputy Director, Maddison Zikmund. He spent the previous eight years with the SBM Fire Department as Assistant Fire Chief, Public Information Officer and HR Director. His previous fire service along with his bachelor's degree in organizational leadership made him a great candidate for the job. The team also hired on three new, paid, on-call firefighters. Russ Berner and Jeremy Grandstrand were promoted to lieutenants following a handful of retirements.

Throughout the year, we provided community education, such as elementary classroom presentation, child car seat installations, EMS education at Fridley HS, carbon monoxide prevention initiatives, smoke alarm installations and

station tours for daycare, scout groups and more. A large component of our community risk reduction efforts focuses on fire inspections. Together, staff completed over 600 inspections in 2021 including new construction, commercial, and common area inspections.

Our wellness plan was completed this year by offering an exercise room, annual mental health check-up and the opportunity to attend spiritual events focused on public safety. All of these resources will help our Public Safety staff continue to do their jobs safely and effectively.

As we look to 2022, our team has talked much about our "Why" statements. We use these to remind ourselves why we pursued a career in public safety and remember those statements as we continue to be the guardians of our community.

No public safety department is effective without the supportive partnerships with its citizens. Our department is fortunate enough to have that commitment and our staff is committed to constantly improving the quality of service provided to the residents, business owners and guests of Fridley.

It is an honor and a privilege to serve as Director of Public Safety to the City of Fridley, and I look forward to another great year.

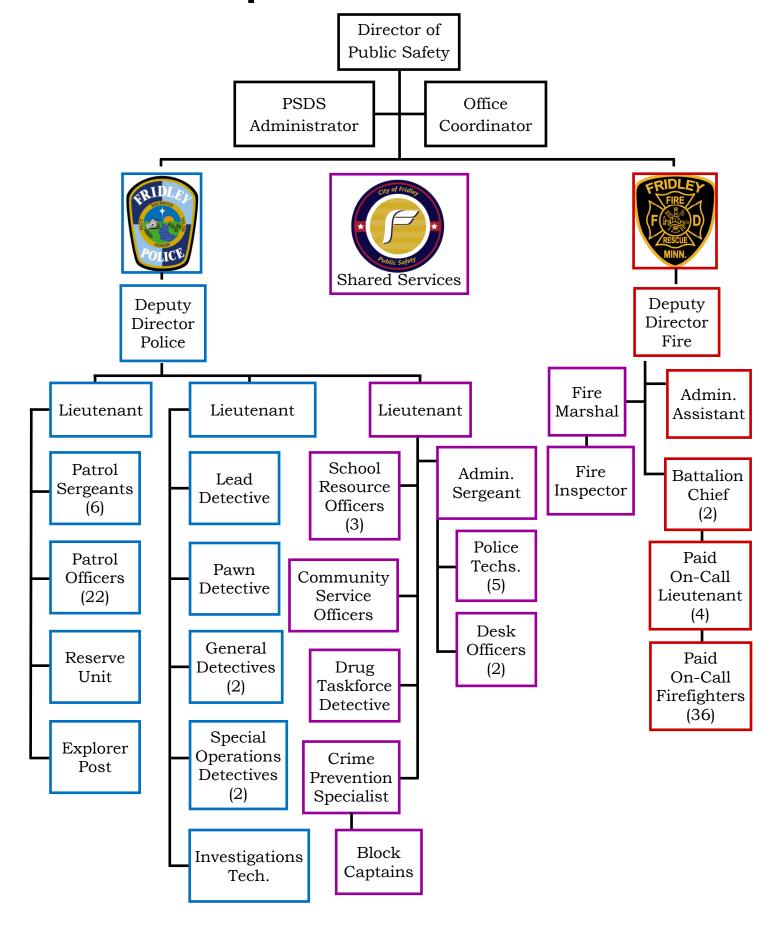
Brian Weierke, Director of Public Safety

Public Safety Department Mission

We are committed to serving our residents and visitors by partnering with them to provide professional and impartial service while promoting a sense of peace and safety in our community.



Department Structure





Police Division Seniority

1. Zwicky, Michelle	04-27-81	32. Elasky, Jason	08-31-15
2. Johnson, Julie	08-27-84	33. Wallat, Nico	10-05-15
3. Fischer, Karen	01-20-86	34. Vatres, Enis	01-19-16
4. Salo, Jill	08-19-87	36. Desjardins, Brian	06-07-16
5. Monsrud, Steve	12-12-95	37. Kostuch, David	09-26-16
6. Weierke, Brian	12-28-95	38. Miller, Courtney	10-17-16
7. Stevens, Bob	05-03-99	39. Kuefler, Jason	06-06-17
8. Braaten, Deb	12-04-00	40. Norgaard, Josh	06-06-17
9. Williams, Michael	06-18-01	41. Hendrickson, Tyler	10-02-17
10. McClish, Chris	01-25-05	42. Pinotti, Matt	10-02-17
11. Todd, Andrew	01-25-05	43. Nelsen, Nicole	10-23-17
12. Chlebeck, Zak	01-25-05	44. Teetzel, Chelsie	01-22-19
13. George, Ryan	07-26-05	45. Kostreba, Chance	07-17-19
14. Knaeble, Nicholas	11-14-05	30. Schroeder, Laura	12-09-19
15. Volk, Travis	02-13-06	30. Lueck, Thomas	12-09-19
16. Works, Benjamin	10-16-06	47. Stephens, Melissa	02-29-20
17. Titus, Kevin	07-24-07	49. London, Marcus	07-18-20
18. Roddy, Tom	09-11-07	49. Spaulding, Christopher	09-28-20
19. Mickelson, Mark	03-09-09	50. Wangen, Emma	09-28-20
20. Keeley, Michael	03-09-09	51. Wegner, Alex	01-25-21
21. Kotchen, John	04-10-12	55. Johnson, Scott	02-01-21
22. Lanebrecht, Jeff	08-31-12	52. Valento, Joseph	03-02-21
23. Steiger, Nicholas	06-24-13	53. Blilie, Andrew	05-10-21
24. Smith, Michael	06-30-14	54. Massey, Quinn	06-08-21
26. Lusignan, Kyle	06-30-14	55. Tirevold, Kurtis	07-19-21
27. Murphy, Shawn	08-26-14	56. McNair, Evan	11-30-21
28. Mueller, Peter	02-09-15	57. Montenegro, Carlos	11-30-21
29. Abrahamson, Tyler	02-09-15	58. Soller, Mathew	11-30-21
30. George Jensen	07-16-15	59. Valencia, Samantha	11-30-21
30. Johnson, Erik	04-06-15		
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31. Faber, Patrick

07-20-15

Police Command Staff



Ryan George Deputy Director



Nicholas Knaeble Lieutenant—Support Division



Steven MonsrudLieutenant—Patrol Division



Kevin TitusLieutenant—Investigations
Division

Patrol Sergeants



Christopher McClish



Zachary Chlebeck



Michael Keeley



Nicholas Steiger



Patrick Faber

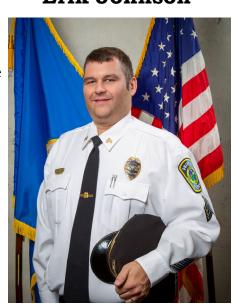


Erik Johnson



Administrative Sergeant

Andrew Todd (pictured right)



Police New Hires



Emma Wangen



Alexander Wegner



Scott Johnson



Joseph Valento



Quinn Massey



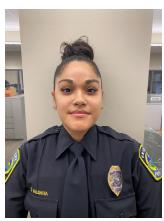
Kurtis Tirevold



Carlos Montenegro



Matthew Soller



Samantha Valencia



Jeff Guest

Police Retirements



Todd Desjardin



Fire Division Seniority

1. Smith, Sherree	02/11/1985	23. Barrera, Gabriel	07/23/2019
2. Blake, Mark	06/06/1994	24. Drost, Steven	07/23/2019
3. Messer, Walter	09/01/1999	25. Wright, Christopher	07/23/2019
4. Knowles, Dean	09/01/1999	26. Foltynski, Jason	02/01/2020
5. Spiering, Wayne	09/01/1999	27. Grandstrand, Jeremy	02/01/2020
6. McKusick, Corey	03/01/2003	28. Knott, Aaron	02/01/2020
7. Allard, Matthew	02/01/2006	29. Schoen, Calvin	02/01/2020
8. Pribyl, Jeffrey	07/20/2009	30. Stallings, Matthew	02/01/2020
9. Arvidson, Eric	01/01/2011	31. Kruse, Jarod	02/07/2020
10. Schroeder, Matt	07/25/2011	32. Lucht, Mark	02/24/2020
11. Lange, James	07/30/2012	33. Evans, Jared	09/01/2020
12. Williams, Brian	02/04/2013	34. Kruc, Matthew	09/01/2020
13. Bauer, Patrick	01/21/2014	35. O'Keefe, Reice	11/17/2020
14. Belmore, Robert	01/21/2014	36. Lee, Jacob	12/02/2020
15. Jude, Jamie	09/01/2014	37. Weidenbach, Steffan	11/17/2020
16. Hopp, Adam	06/02/2015	38. Wetterhahn, Royce	11/17/2020
17. Brakic, Alisa	03/01/2016	39. Zikmund, Maddison	01/04/2021
18. Wickstrom, Ryan	03/01/2016	40. Meinke, Kyle	07/01/2021
19. Berner, Russ	02/05/2018	41. Cayer, Casey	09/01/2021
20. Buganski, Joshua	02/05/2018	42. Osborn, Joshua	12/01/2021
21. Hanley, Corey	02/05/2018		
22. Kramme, Grant	02/05/2018		

Fire Command Staff



Maddison ZikmundDeputy Director/
Fire Chief



James Lange Fire Marshal



Brian WilliamsFire Inspector



Walt MesserBattalion Chief





Matt AllardBattalion Chief

Fire Promotions

Russ Berner was promoted to Lieutenant

Jeremy Grandstrand was promoted to Lieutenant

Fire New Hires

Casey Cayer, Experienced Shift Firefighter
Kyle Meinke, Community Paid, on-call Firefighter
Joshua Osborn, Community Paid, on-call Firefighter
Maddison Zikmund, Fire Chief/Public Safety Deputy Director

Retirements

Ryan Wickstrom (7/31/21, 5 years)

Matthew Schroeder (9/20/21, 10 years)

Mark Blake (12/31/21, 27 years)

David Larson (1/5/2021, 30 Years)



Public Safety Milestones

40 Years

Michelle Zwicky, Police Technician

35 Years

Karen Fischer, Police Technician

20 Years

Michael Williams, Police Officer

15 Years

Matt Allard, Battalion Chief
Travis Volk, Detective

10 Years

Eric Arvidson, Paid, on-call Firefighter
Matthew Schroeder, Paid, on-call Firefighter

5 Years

Alisa Brakic, Paid, on-call Firefighter
Ryan Wickstrom, Paid, on-call Firefighter
David Kostuch, Police Officer
Brian Desjardins, Detective

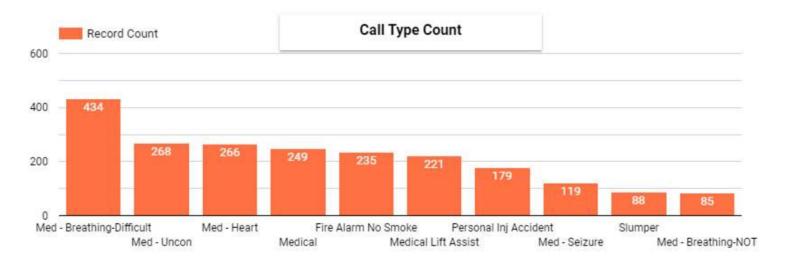
Fire Division Statistics

- 13 carbon monoxide detectors installed
- **57** smoke alarms installed
- **68** public event appearances
- **664** commercial and common area inspections

Alarm Summary Report



Call Type Report



Fire Code Permits Issued

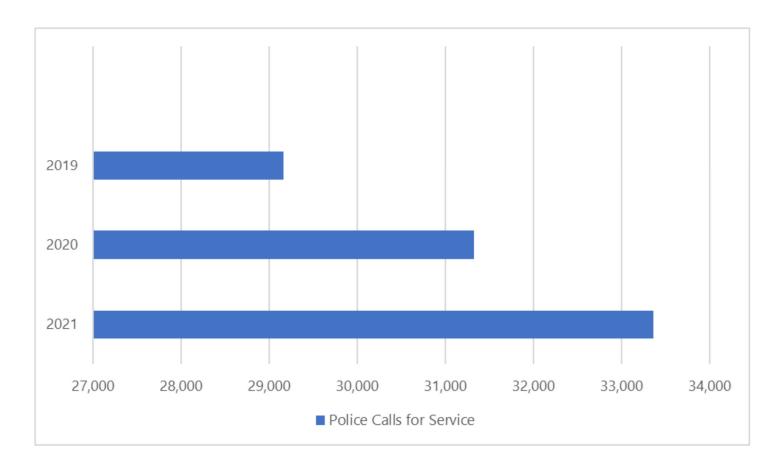
Permits Issued	Permit Fees	Plan Review Fees
94	\$23,049	\$9,986

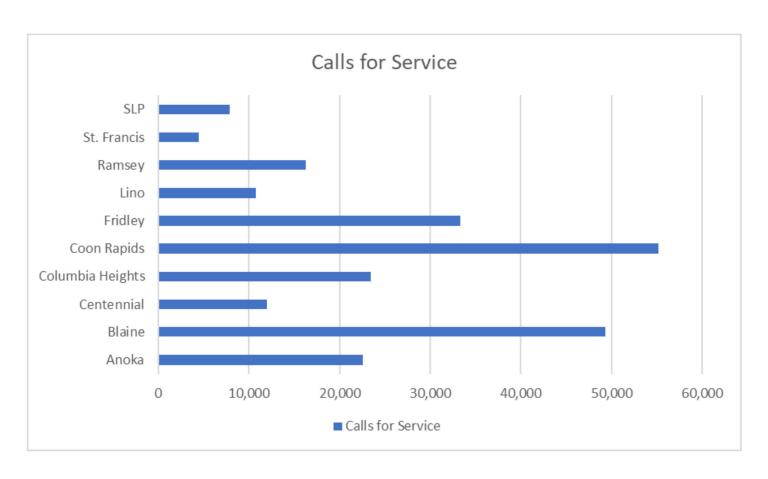


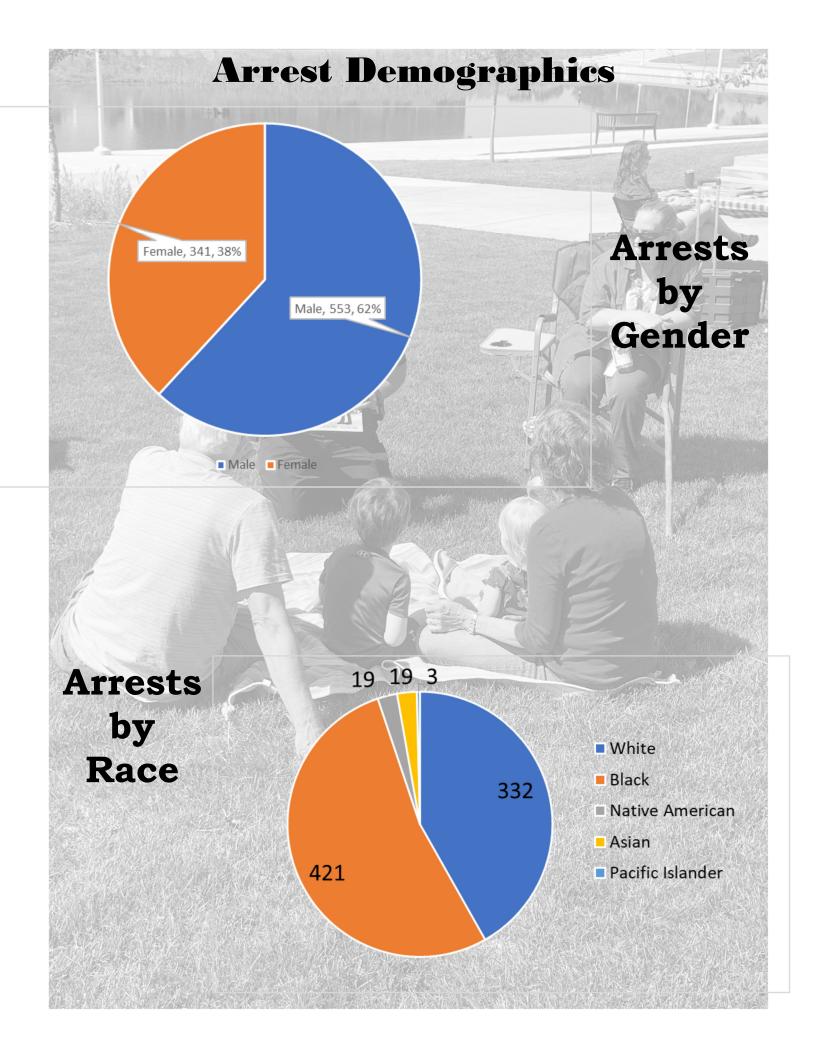
Crime Statistics

Calls for Service	33,366	
Part 1 Crimes More serious crimes: murder, rape, Robbery, aggravated assault, burglary, auto theft and arson	1,295	
Part 2 Crimes Less serious crimes: narcotics, DWI, simple assault, disorderly conduct and vandalism	830	
Arrests	Adults: 855 Juveniles: 39	
Warrant Arrests	196	
Narcotics Incidents	60	
DWI's	90	
Crisis/Mental Health	327	
Traffic/Parking Citations	1,395/841	
Detective Unit Clearance Rate	49.1%	
K9 Deployment/Apprehension/ Narcotics Alerts D- Deployment, A- Apprehension, NA- Narcotics Alerts	Finn: D-40, A-9, NA-4 Jager: D-43, A-19, NA-2	
Rental Housing Taskforce Letters W– Warning, 1st Violation, 2nd Violation, 3rd Violation	W = 14 1st = 11 2nd = 1 3rd = 0	

Police Calls for Service







Use of Force

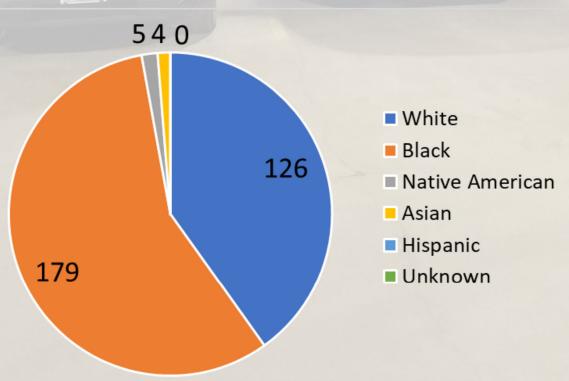
Use of force incidents: 177

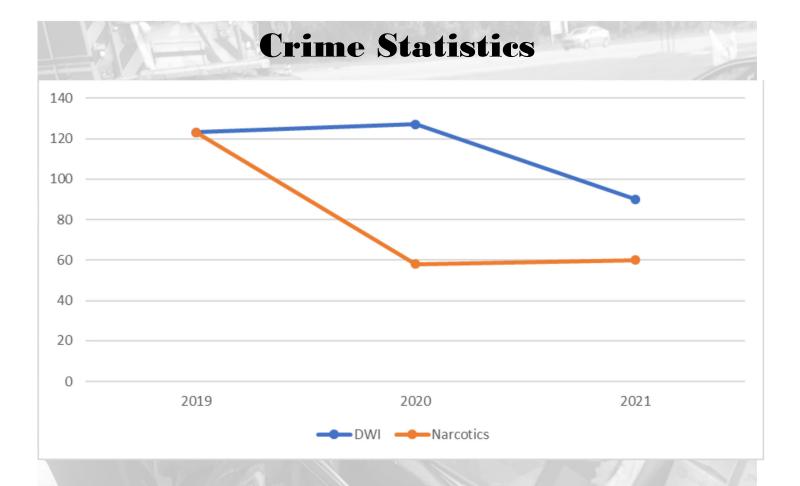
Use of force occurrence rate: .005% of all calls for service

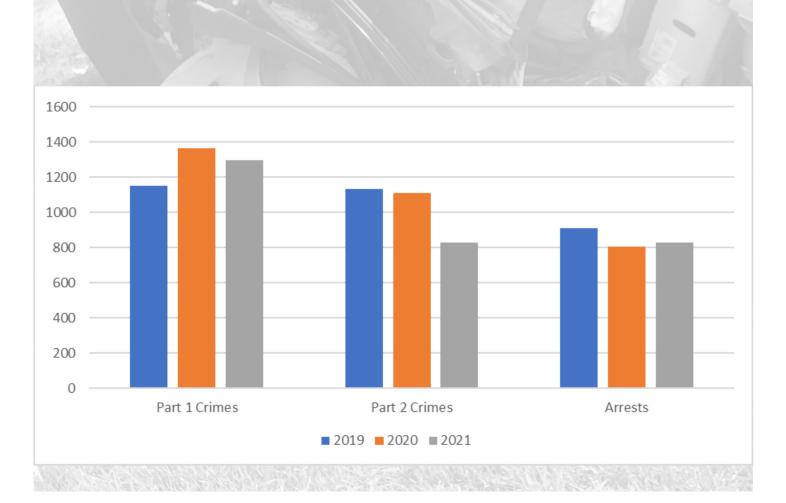
Taser deployed by 16 officers

Taser deployed in .09% of all use of force incidents

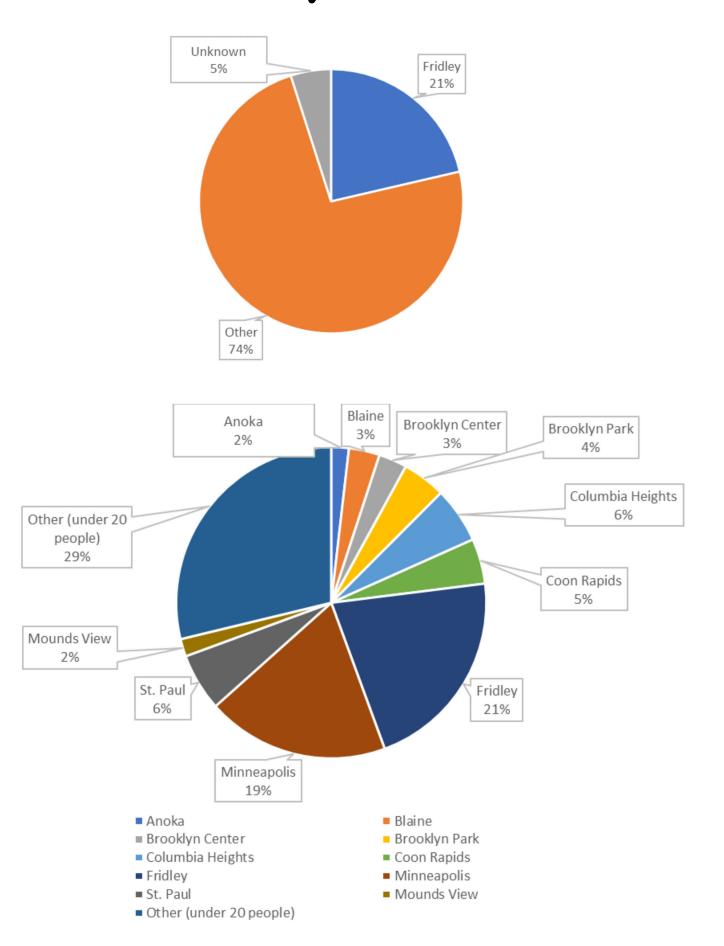
Use of Force by Race



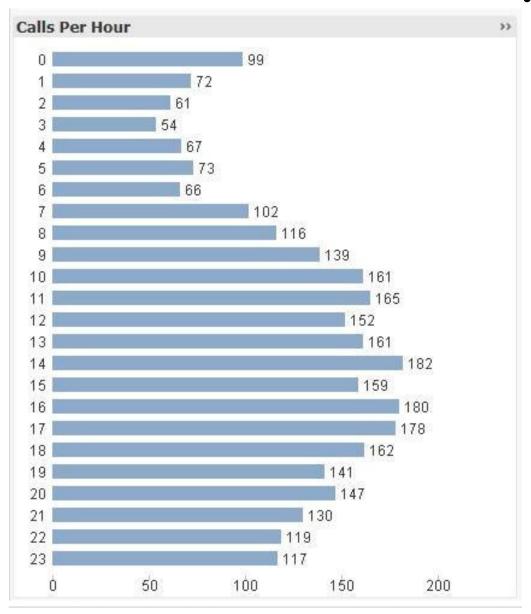




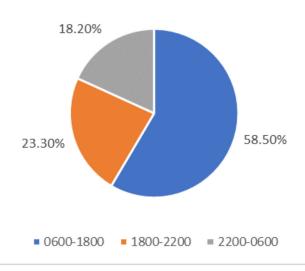
Arrestee City of Residence



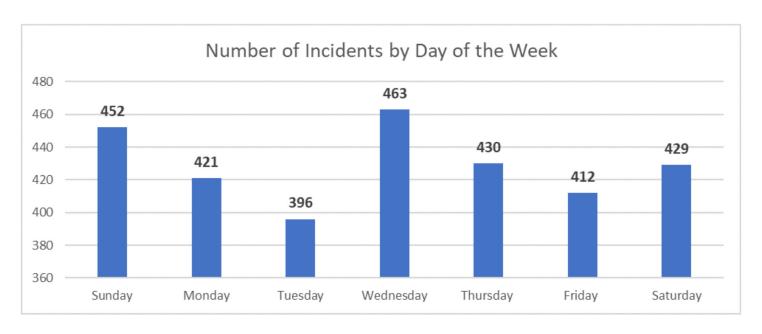
Fire Calls for Service by Type



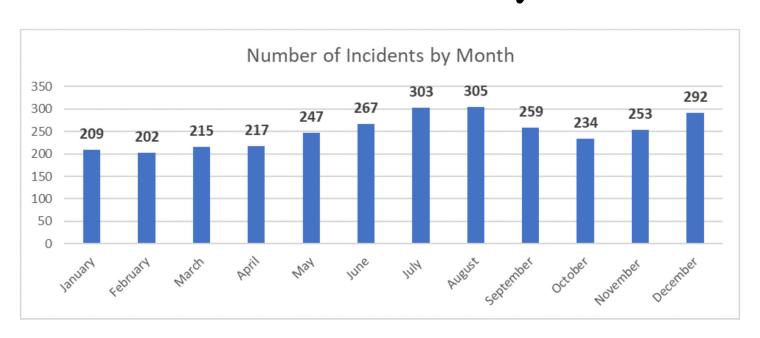
Percentage of Calls by Shift Group



Fire Calls for Service by Day



Fire Calls for Service by Month



Night to Unite

65 neighborhood block parties were hosted throughout Fridley during this year's Night to Unite celebration on Tuesday, August 6. This year, the night included a theme: Park Safety. Police shared information about common crimes in parks, and Fire provided information around recreational fires.















Public Safety by the Numbers

2,564 Calls for service for the Fire Division as of mid-November

24,874 Police calls for service as of mid-November

5,986 Traffic stops

\$1,200 Raised during the Coffee for Champions fundraiser

30+ Bikes donated to Bikes 4 Kids















Successful Coats from Cops

The 2021 Coats from Cops event occurred last Wednesday, November 10, 2021 and was a HUGE success. The event was held as a drive-through event where attendees filled out a clothing request form which Police staff, Explorers, Fire staff and Omnetics volunteers filled to the best of their ability.

Thank you to all of you that donated items or time at the event as your dedication t played a big part in its success. This event is an excellent way to make sure that area families have the means to keep safe, warm, and dry this winter season.

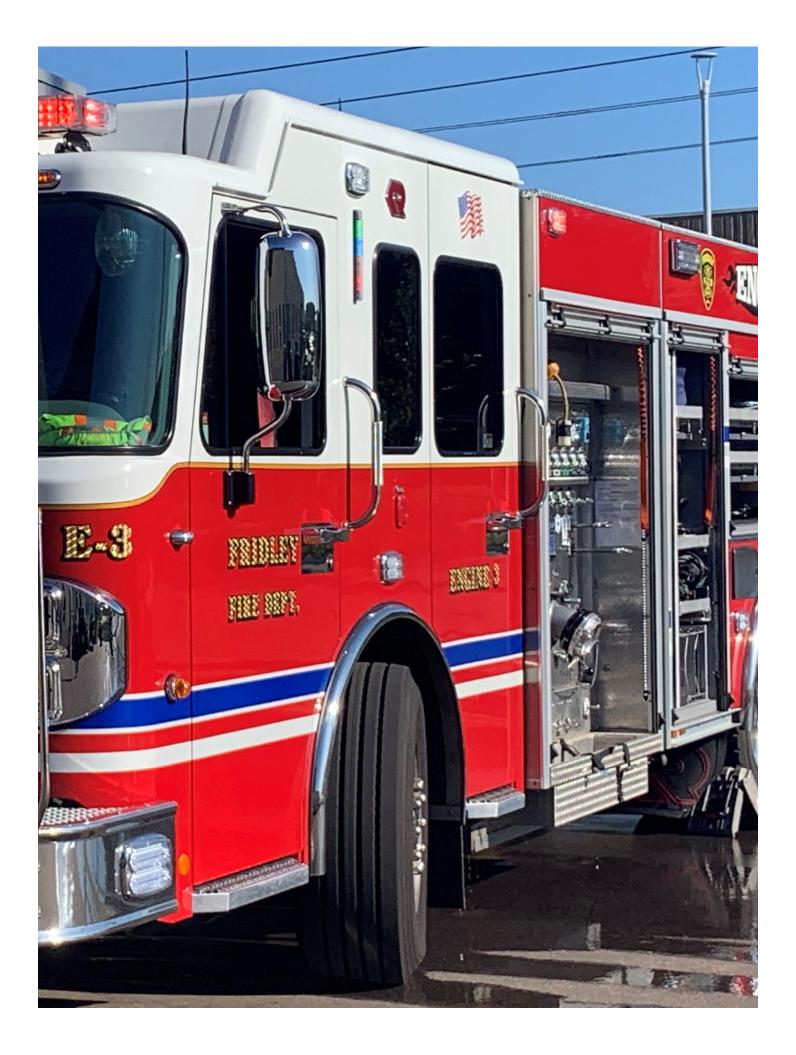
There were approximately 270 coats, 100 snowpants, 100 pairs of boots and countless hats/mittens distributed to families. LED Energy-Saving Lightbulb sets were also available to families to bring home. Families came from all over the north metro. A set of 30 coats was also donated to the Alexandra House, which provides services to individuals and families who have experienced domestic, sexual or relationship violence.











Fridley Fire and Home Depot Worked Together to Keep Residents Safe

As part the 2021 fire prevention program, Home Depot has donated carbon monoxide (CO) alarms to Fridley Fire Division to install in residents' homes. CO is an odorless, colorless gas formed by the incomplete combustion of fuels.

Household appliances, such as gas fireplaces, boilers, central heating systems, water heaters, cookers, and open fires which use gas, oil, and wood may be possible sources of CO gas. Dangerous levels of CO can emit from these appliances if they are not working properly. Running a car engine in an enclosed space can also cause CO poisoning. CO is harmful when inhaled, and large amounts of CO can cause loss of consciousness and suffocation in minutes and without warning.

Fridley Fire Division will also continue to offer smoke alarms to residents. Smoke alarms are critical for the early detection of a fire in your home. In a fire, smoke and deadly gases will activate the smoke alarm giving residents time to get out of the building.



Just Another Day on the











Job at Fridley Public Safety









Police Thank You

In the fall, Sgt. Faber was interviewed by WCCO about a recent interaction with a young man from Champlin named Matthew. When Sgt. Faber was clearing the scene of an incident, Mathew approached him and gave him a thank you card. This is part of Matthew's greater goal of sending letters to 85,000 police officers across the country.



Towards Zero Deaths

Officer Shawn Murphy was recognized at the Minnesota Twins game on June 11, 2021 for his continued dedication to Toward Zero Deaths (TZD) program. Minnesota TZD is the state's cornerstone traffic safety program, employing an interdisciplinary approach to reducing traffic crashes, injuries and deaths on Minnesota roads.

Citizen Advisory Group



The Citizen Advisory Group has continued to be a highlight for Chief Weierke and the Public Safety Department. A diverse group of community members have served on this advisory group since 2017 and have provided invaluable feedback, conversations and questions to Chief Weierke and the others in the group. They meet monthly, and guest speakers and presenters are invited.

K9 Narcotics Trial Completion

Officer Tom Roddy and K9 Finn completed the K9 Narcotics trial in January. They both did so well that they earned first place as a regional team and second place in Room Search. K9 Finn was also able to search all five vehicles in two minutes and forty-four seconds!

Community Programming

The Public Safety Department, including the Fire division, not only answered a high volume of calls in 2021, but they also made time to continue their commitment to the community by participating in as much community wide programming as possible. Fridley Firefighters held or attended over 50 events throughout the year, including their Annual Fire Prevention Week Open House, firefighter recruiting session, fire safety presentations to schools and businesses, fire station tours and fire truck visits, city events, 9-11 Memorial and many other activities.



Fire Awards

Chief Zikmund awarded the 2020 Chief's Award to James Lange, Walt Messer and Matt Allard for their efforts and dedication to Fridley Fire after the passing of former Fire Chief Mike Spencer. Firefighter of the Year honors were awarded to Corey McKusick.

New Fire Chief Welcomed



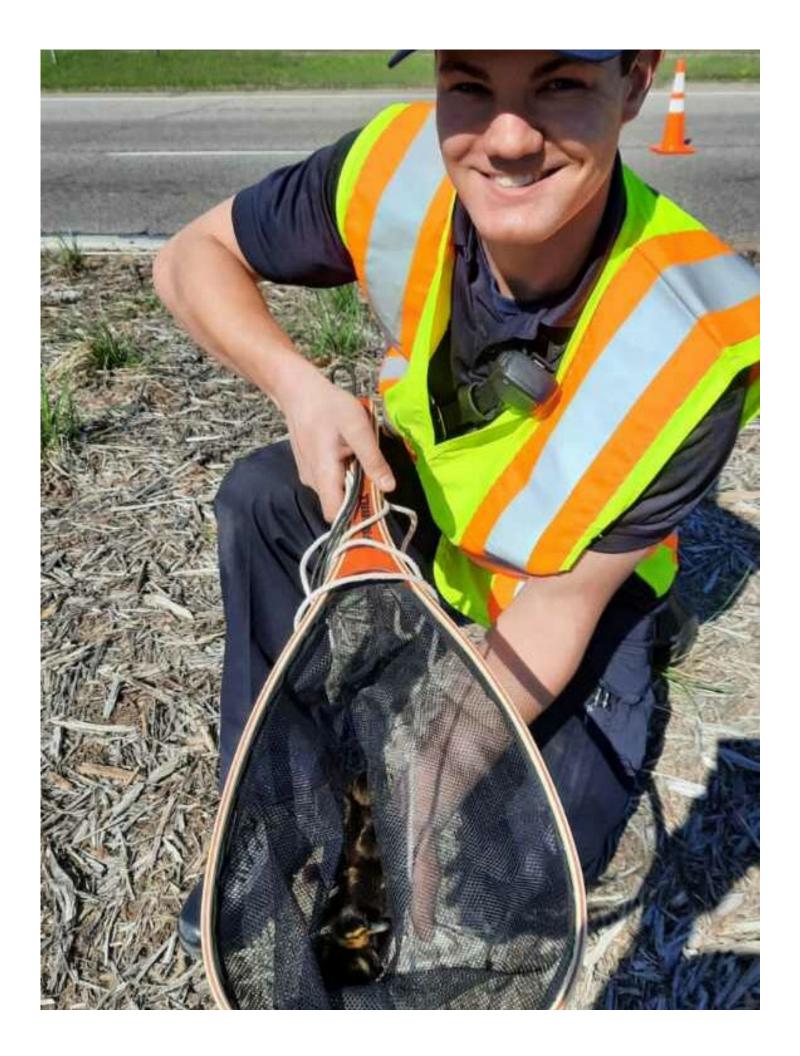
Maddison Zikmund joined the City of Fridley as the new Deputy Director/Fire Chief of Public Safety in January 2021. Zikmund spent the previous eight years with SBM Fire Department, which serves Spring Lake Park, Blaine and Mounds View. While at SBM, he served as Assistant Fire Chief and acted as the organization's Public Information Officer, and HR Director, as well as responded to emergency incidents as Chief Fire Officer. He has a bachelor's degree in Organizational Leadership from Bethel University and is currently pursuing an MBA.

Through the years, Zikmund has worked closely with Fridley Fire and knows Fridley's three previous Fire Chiefs very well.

Zikmund is involved in many philanthropic organizations and serves on the board of directors for the Minnesota Dakota Region of the American Red Cross, is Chairman of the Minnesota Fire Exploring Association, is Chairman of Spring Lake Park's Opportunities in Emergency Care (OEC) Program and is active in Boy Scouts of America. In 2019 he was the recipient of the Spurgeon Award, which honored his outstanding service to the Boy Scouts organization.

Zikmund lives in Blaine with his wife Dani and two sons. Both of his parents are actively involved in the MN Fire Service and his father is a former SBM Fire Chief.





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