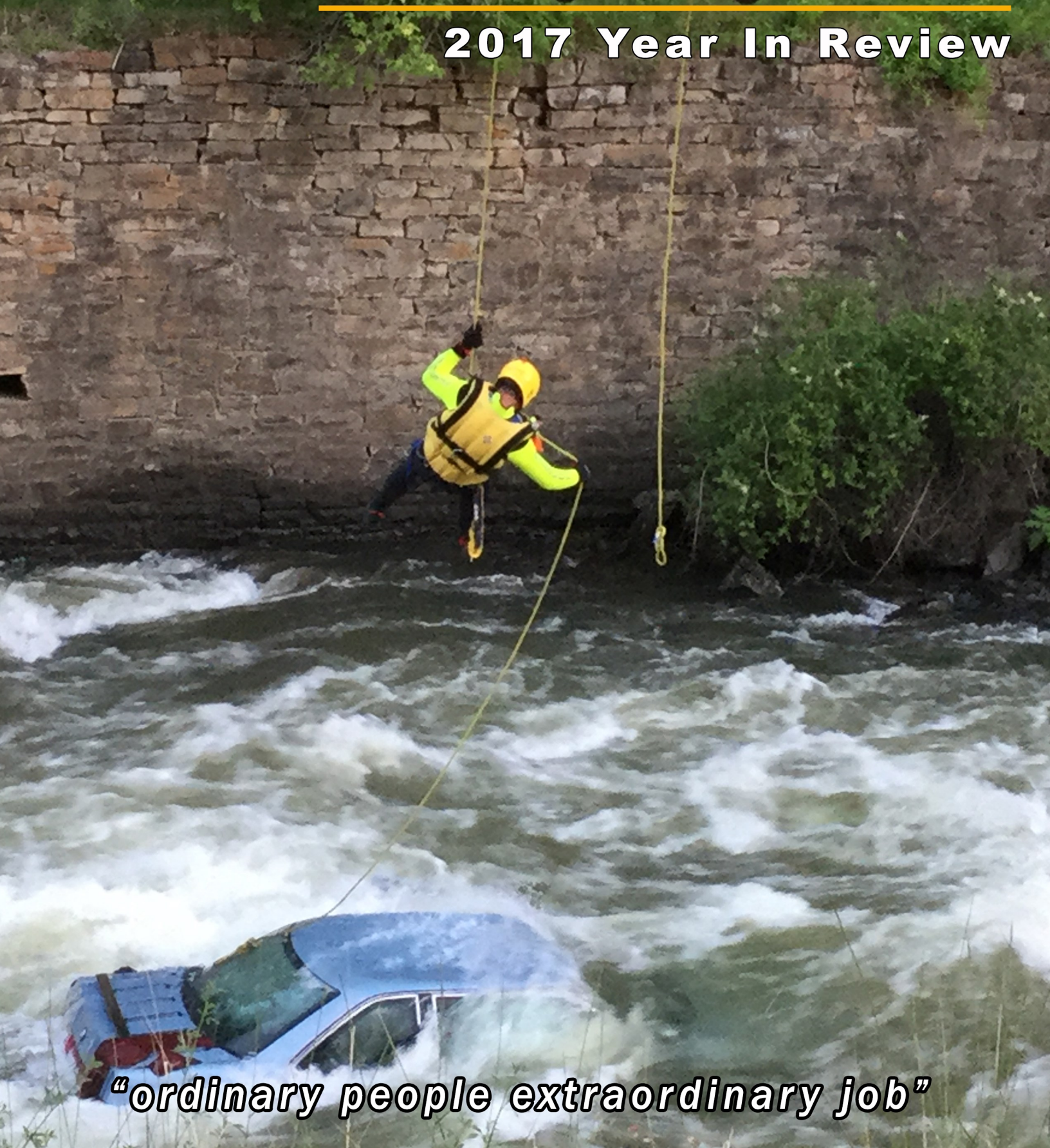


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Fire Department



2017 Year In Review



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Message From Chief Bales

It is my honor to present the 2017 Annual Report summarizing the activities of the Golden Fire Department and its members. This overview reflects the hard work and dedication of the career staff and volunteer members. Our goal is to insure that the citizens, businesses and visitors to the City of Golden receive the highest quality level of service during times of both emergencies and regular department business. 2017 was another year of challenges and successes. The Department received a new 2017 Impel Engine in November after working on specifications and factory inspections for the last 17 months. The Department responded to 1573 emergency responses. We responded to several major technical rescues involving high angle, swift water rescues and an underground confined space rescue. Our fire loss for 2017 was slightly under \$400,000.00. The Training Division provided a recruit academy with 12 new firefighter recruits attending and graduating. A major task in 2017 was the initial phases of preparation to move to the Jefferson County Communications Center in the first quarter of 2017. This will place all fire, EMS, and law enforcement agencies under one common dispatch center known as JEFFCOM. With the advent of this communications center, the department obtained a grant to install a new station alerting system in both Fire Station 21 and 24 to alert on duty firefighters and EMS personnel of a pending emergency. In the 2018 budget, we were approved to hire an Operations Officer that will oversee all career and volunteer shift operations and other related collateral duties. We look forward to an exciting 2018 and hope you enjoy this report outlining our work in 2017.



2017 Grants Received



Jefferson County Emergency Communications Authority:

\$55,000 for the purchase of station alerting system for Station 21 and 24.



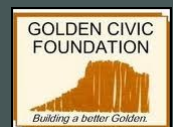
Colorado Gaming Grant:

\$4000 for the replacement of aging Swift water/ice rescue equipment.



Golden Civic Foundation:

\$2,000 for the purchase of upgrading air monitoring equipment.





GFD 2017 at a Glance

Number of Personnel

12

Career Staff

80

Volunteer Staff



Average Response Time

5:32



Total Personnel Training Hours

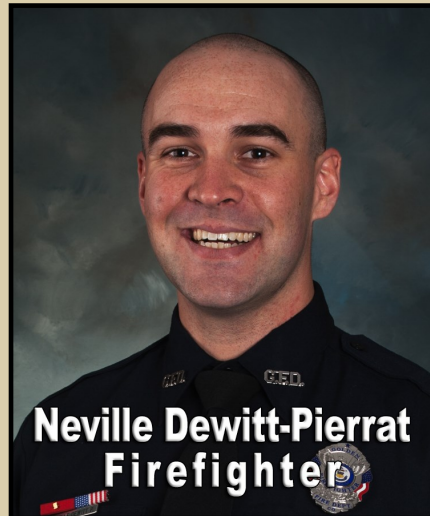
10,615

Total Incidents

1573 Incidents



Firefighter of the Year Neville Dewitt-Pierrat



The Firefighter of the Year, by definition, is awarded to an outstanding firefighter that has demonstrated his/her commitment through call participation in emergencies, meetings, training, fundraising and work detail. The firefighter's actions must have represented the best characteristics of a Golden Firefighter. Providing customer service both internally and externally is one characteristic that best describes this year's 2017 nominee. Chief Bales mentioned a few of the highlights from the nomination letters submitted to him for Firefighter of the Year nominations. Neville Dewitt-Pierrat received the award this year.

RESIDENTS SERVED



18,867

POPULATION

SQUARE MILES COVERED



18.5

Fridays

12:00p.m.-4:00p.m.

Busiest Day & Time of Day

Dollar Amount of Property Saved

\$28,445,925





Fire and Life Safety Division



The Fire and Life Safety Division of the Golden Fire Department is responsible for ensuring that all buildings meet applicable fire codes. This division is responsible for the following activities:

- Building inspections
- Building plan reviews
- Public education & training programs
- Fire protection system inspections
- Fire preplanning
- Fire investigations

	2016	2017
• Division Staff Training Hours	428	308
• Division Staff Emergency Call Response	395	339

Fire & Life Safety Activities by the Year

Fire Prevention Function	2016	2017
Construction & Operational Permit Plans Review	408	394
Construction & Operational Permit Inspections	816	886
Fire and Life Safety Maintenance Inspections	375	387
Fire Origin & Cause Investigations:		
• Fire and Life Safety Division	15	12
• Arson Charged	0	1
• Citizen Complaint Investigations	135	95

Public Education and Training Programs	2016	2017
Community Events	19	11
School Events	14	29
Station Tours	86	83
Child Passenger Safety Seat Education	54	56

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Training Division

Academy

Twelve recruits completed the 12-week 225 hour Golden Fire Department Volunteer Academy. The recruits obtained Colorado State Firefighter I and Hazmat Operations Certifications.



Firefighter II Academy

Two members completed Colorado State Firefighter II Certification.



Rope Course

Ten members completed the Ropes Level I course and four members completed the Ropes Level III training course.



Wildland S130/190 Certification

Six members completed the 30-hour Wildland Firefighter S130/190 course.



Ice Rescue Training

Three members became certified as Ice Rescue Instructors through Dive Rescue International.



Driver/Operator Training

Eleven members completed advanced driver training and were certified as Colorado State Driver Operators for utility, rescue, pumper, and aerial apparatus.



Swiftwater Rescue Training

Golden Fire hosted three Dive Rescue International Swiftwater rescue classes including three-day Swiftwater Rescue I class, three-day Swiftwater Rescue II classes, and the 60-hour Swiftwater Rescue Trainer class. One member completed Swiftwater I Certification and two members completed Swiftwater Instructor Certification.



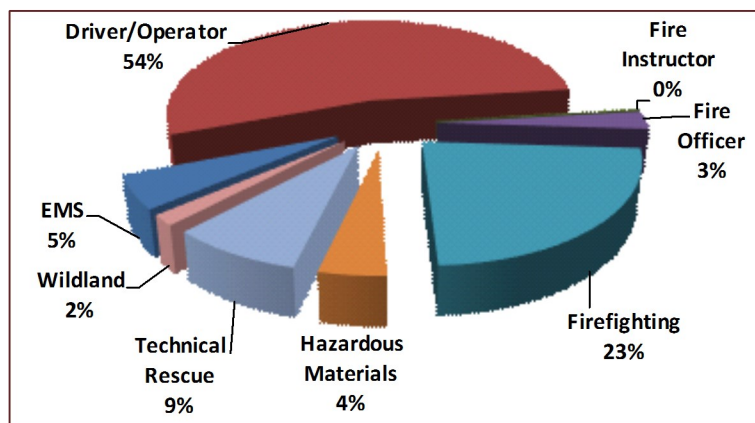
Incident Safety Officer Certification

Four members completed the Colorado State Incident Safety Officer certification program becoming the first in the state to hold this certification.

Acting Company Officer Program

Nine members completed the Acting Company Officer Program to prepare themselves to become Golden Officers.

2017 Training Hours by Category



Category	2016	2017
EMS	1446	1102
Driver/Operator	1039	1090
Fire Instructor	302	22
Fire Officer	455	584
Firefighting	7713	4834
Hazardous Materials	793	887
Technical Rescue	837	1745
Wildland	595	349
Total Training Hours	13,180	10,615

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Operations Division



11 Steep Slope Evacuations



10 Swift Water Rescues

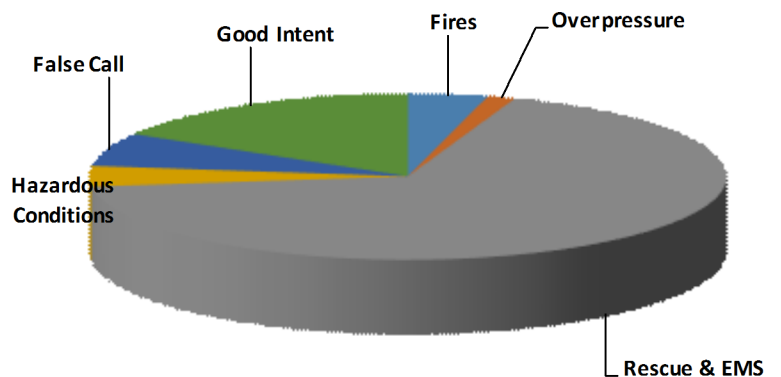


193 Motor Vehicle Crashes



21 Wildland Fires

Incidents By Type	2016	2017	+/-
Fires	70	57	-13
Overpressure, rupture explosion	30	20	-10
Rescue & Emergency Medical Service	883	949	+66
Hazardous Condition (no fire)	84	56	-28
Service Call	91	91	0
Good Intent Call	256	232	-24
False Alarm & False Call	218	163	-55
Severe Weather & Natural Disaster	4	0	-4
Special Incident Type	3	5	+2
Total Incidents	1640	1573	-67
Total Calls by District			
District 1	796	742	-54
District 2	694	592	-102
MillerCoors Property	8	7	-1
Clear Creek Canyon	37	20	-17
Out of City Gaming Related	57	172	+115
Out of City Other	47	40	-7
Average Response Time	5:08 min	5:32 min	+ : 08 sec
Mutual / Auto Aid Given	37	35	- 2
Mutual / Auto Aid Received	42	56	+14
Total Dollar Loss	\$907,701	\$332,525	-\$575,176
Total Save Amount	\$117,461,740	\$28,445,925	\$89015815



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EMS Transportation



From Critical to Hiking



On April 5, a hiker was trapped under a 1500-pound boulder on North Table Mountain. On December 21, a letter was sent from the victim to Chief Bales saying, "I am perfecting my walking skills with my prosthetic leg." She continues, "I climbed again and that changed everything for me!" Thanks to the efforts of multiple agencies working hand-in-hand, the young woman who was clinging to life is now climbing mountains!

GFD & the Community



In September, Pierce Manufacturing delivered a 2017 Pierce Impel engine. This engine replaced a 1991 Pierce that was decommissioned in August after serving the community for 26 years. On November 3, Mayor pro tem Joe Behm christened the new fire apparatus now known as Engine 21 into service for the Golden Fire Department.



Participated in the funeral and procession honoring Arvada Fire Lt. Jim Schaefer who died from cancer.

Led by Capt. O'Connor, a crew of eight Golden firefighters volunteered their time to help build a home for Habitat for Humanity.



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ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

John, Bales, Fire Chief
Debbie Testroet, Administrative Coordinator
Jerry Stricker, Deputy Chief/Fire Marshal
Katie Quintana, Deputy Fire Marshal
Jonathan Priestly, Fire Inspector
Jeanette Kehoe, Training Captain
Jeff Steinhoff, Operations Captain
Tom Young, Administrative Captain
Anna Trzeciak, Media Assistant
Kyle Raley, Fire Mechanic
Mark Testroet, Fire Chaplain

ASSISTANT/DISTRICT CHIEFS

Bob Burrell, Operations Commander
Rocco Snart, District 1
Aaron Giesick, District 2

CAPTAINS

Joe Gross, Station 21
Tina Gustafson, Station 24
John O'Connor, Station 21
Wes Polk, Station 24
Dan Roozen, Station 24
Chad Wachs, Station 21

LIEUTENANTS

Ryan Smith
Sean Stull

SHIFT OFFICERS

Jeff Hulse, Lieutenant
Jason Mulari, Lieutenant
Marc Staley, Lieutenant

FIREFIGHTERS

Samuel Amador, Firefighter
Joe Anderson II, Firefighter
Shawn Arbuthnot, Firefighter
Michael Blasie, Firefighter
Jeff Boyer, Firefighter
Chase Champlain, Firefighter
Nicholas Childers, Firefighter
Case Collard, Firefighter
Andrew Crawford, Firefighter
Brandon Daruna, Firefighter
Neville Dewitt-Pierat, Firefighter
Kyle Diethorn, Firefighter
Brandon Dobson, Firefighter
Matthew Edmunds, Firefighter
Amelia Englemann, Firefighter
Matt Finley, Firefighter
Jason Flickner, Firefighter
Jonathan Foiles, Firefighter
Jason Fritch, Firefighter
Damon Gentrup, Firefighter
Daniel Glynn, Firefighter
Richard Gonzales, Firefighter

Kathleen Gotschall, Firefighter
Ryan Hanely, Firefighter
Jacob Harris, Firefighter
Timothy Hinkle, Firefighter
Scott Hofmann, Firefighter
Michael Jojola, Firefighter
Cody Kalb, Firefighter
Sam Kingett, Firefighter
Brent Klingemann, Firefighter
Samuel Krakauer, Firefighter
Joshua Kroening, Firefighter
Anthony Martinez, Firefighter
Ryan Masica, Firefighter
Blake McCarthy, Firefighter
Sean McNiff, Firefighter
Ben Moline, Firefighter
William Moorhead, Firefighter
Truc Nguyen, Firefighter
Lee North, Firefighter
Victorio Orlando, Firefighter
Adam Phipps, Firefighter
Penny Reed, Firefighter

JJ Risch, Firefighter
Jon-Daniel Rotzoll, Firefighter
James Rudnicki-Vasquez, Firefighter
Dustin Schissler, Firefighter
Christian Schmidt, Firefighter
Morgan Sellers, Firefighter
George Stern, Firefighter
Joseph Trujillo, Firefighter
Marina Valenzuela, Firefighter
Joseph Vogel, Firefighter
Patrick Wasserman, Firefighter
Daniel Watters, Firefighter
William Watts, Firefighter
Craig Weimer, Firefighter
Chase Whitaker, Firefighter
Chase Williams, Firefighter
Trevor Williamson, Firefighter
Jarred Wolter, Firefighter
Jonathan Zoetewey, Firefighter

