

COACHELLA CITY FIRE DEPARTMENT

QUARTERLY REPORT

APRIL - JUNE 2023



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6. Firefighter II/Paramedic – Tony Ippolito
7. Firefighter II/Paramedic – Daniel Lucido
8. Firefighter II/Paramedic – Matthew Rosenberger

YEAR END RESPONSE REPORT

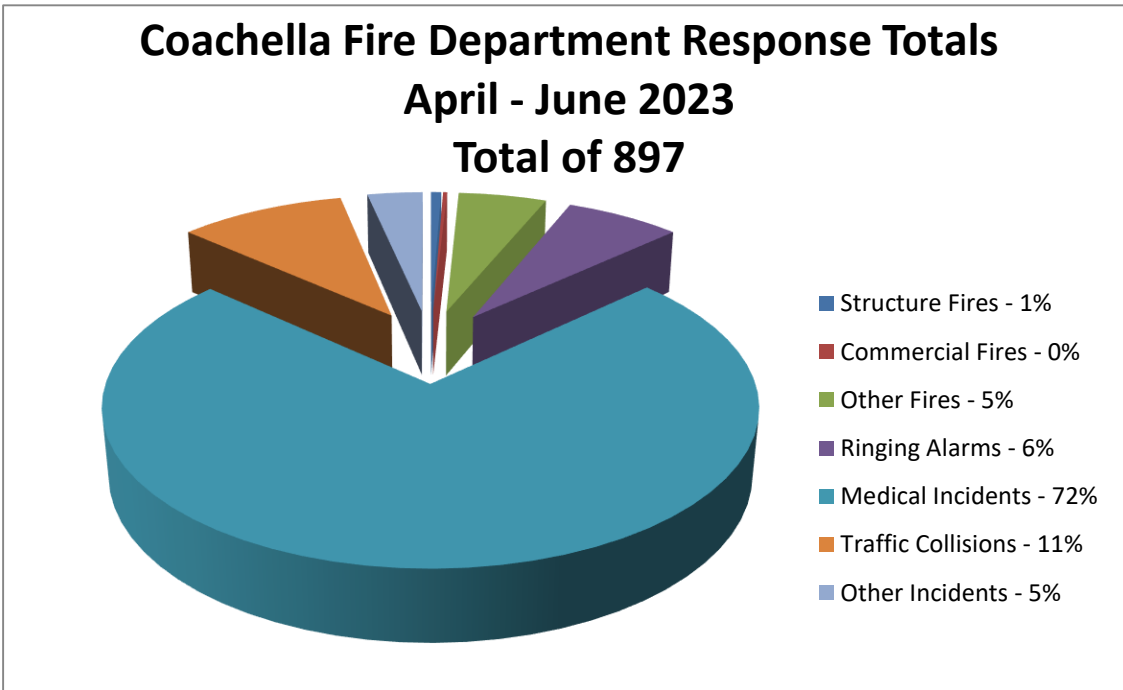
APRIL 1, 2023 – JUNE 30, 2023

	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	YTD (CITY OF COACHELLA)
STRUCTURE FIRES	1	4	2	13
COMMERCIAL FIRES	0	0	0	2
OTHER FIRES	15	19	7	84
RINGING/FALSE ALARMS	21	10	10	108
MEDICAL INCIDENTS	265	225	200	1,364

TRAFFIC COLLISIONS	31	21	28	178
OTHER INCIDENTS	13	12	13	75
TOTAL	346	291	260	1,824

RESPONSE TIMES

	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	YTD (CITY OF COACHELLA)
AVERAGE RESPONSE TIMES (MINUTES)	4.8	4.8	4.5	4.7
% OF CALLS ON SCENE IN 5 MINUTES OR LESS	57%	62%	68%	63%



SIGNIFICANT EVENT

5/11/23 – Coachella City Firefighters responded to a reported vegetation fire at 45-761 Dillon Road. Upon arrival firefighters discovered a palm grove with approximately twenty palm trees on fire, with an immediate threat to the remaining grove. Efforts kept the fire from spreading, but resources had a lengthy commitment time due to the fire's location at the tops of the trees and material on the ground. **(See photo below)**



5/11/23 – Firefighters responded to a reported Traffic Collision with possible victims trapped. The first arriving Battalion Chief reported a two-vehicle traffic collision at the intersection of Avenue 50 at the cross of Polk Street. One patient was trapped inside the vehicle and required extrication. IID was requested due to the power pole being sheared off at the base from the accident. One occupant refused medical treatment and the second occupant was transported by ground ambulance to Desert Regional Medical Center with moderate injuries. **(See photos below)**



5/23/23 – Coachella City Firefighters responded to a report of a pedestrian struck by a train in the City of Coachella. Upon arrival firefighters discovered an adult male who succumbed to his injuries. The incident was turned over to the Riverside County Sheriff's Department and Union Pacific Railroad officials. No other injuries were reported.

5/29/23 – City firefighters responded to a reported apartment fire at 50-600 Suncrest Street. The first arriving engine company reported heavy fire visible from the second story of the apartment building. Fire crews were able to contain the fire to the apartment of origin. 1 apartment sustained fire damage and 2 additional apartments incurred water damage. The American Red Cross assisted with 17 displaced persons. 1 civilian suffered minor burn injuries but declined any treatment.

6/21/23 – Firefighters were dispatched to a reported traffic accident with a victim trapped inside a vehicle. The incident was located on Avenue 55 at the cross of Van Buren Street in the City of Coachella. American Medical Response was the first resource on scene and requested a second ground ambulance and an air ambulance. Fire crews arrived on scene and reported a two-vehicle traffic accident with one vehicle on its side. Crews found three patients, 1 ejected with major injuries, 1 trapped inside the vehicle with major injuries and another patient with minor injuries. Crews had to use extrication equipment to remove the trapped patient. One patient was transported via air ambulance, and the other two were transported by ground ambulances. All three patients were transported to Desert Regional Medical Center for continued treatment. California Highway Patrol will be investigating the incident.

6/29/23 – City firefighters were dispatched to a reported vehicle fire at 84-566 Vermouth Drive in the City of Coachella. The first unit on scene reported a vehicle on fire in the driveway with exposures to a Sea-Doo, travel trailer, and a single-family residence. Fire was contained to the vehicle, Sea-Doo, trailer, and exterior of the residence. The American Red Cross assisted with five adults and one child after being displaced by the fire. City of Coachella Code Enforcement responded and evaluated the trailer and residence. Both the trailer and residence were “Red Tagged” and the fire is currently under investigation. **(See photos below)**



ADMINISTRATION

Administration continues to keep busy scheduling business inspections/re-inspections as well as station tours and fire prevention presentations at various local schools/businesses. Clerical administration duties continue to audit and reconcile the station’s Data/Response Records as well as overhaul files and recordkeeping systems. Clerical administrative duties have continued to look for ways to improve office efficiency and customer service and looks forward to attending upcoming training sponsored by the County of Riverside.

FIRE PREVENTION

The Coachella Fire Department continues to assist the public with code inquiries; conducts hazard reduction inspections and assists Code Enforcement with issues within the city. In closing, our Engine Company personnel continue to conduct multiple inspections and re-inspections helping keep local businesses up to code.