

COACHELLA CITY FIRE DEPARTMENT

QUARTERLY REPORT

JANUARY - MARCH 2022



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Engine Company 79

1. Fire Captain – Johnny Garcia
2. Fire Captain – Rodrigo Vega
3. Fire Captain – James Beckman
4. Fire Apparatus Engineer – Tommy Lemus
5. Firefighter Apparatus Engineer/Paramedic – Damian Sianez
6. Firefighter II/Paramedic – Michael Gonzales
7. Firefighter II/Paramedic – Daniel Lucido
8. Firefighter II/Paramedic – Matthew Rosenberger

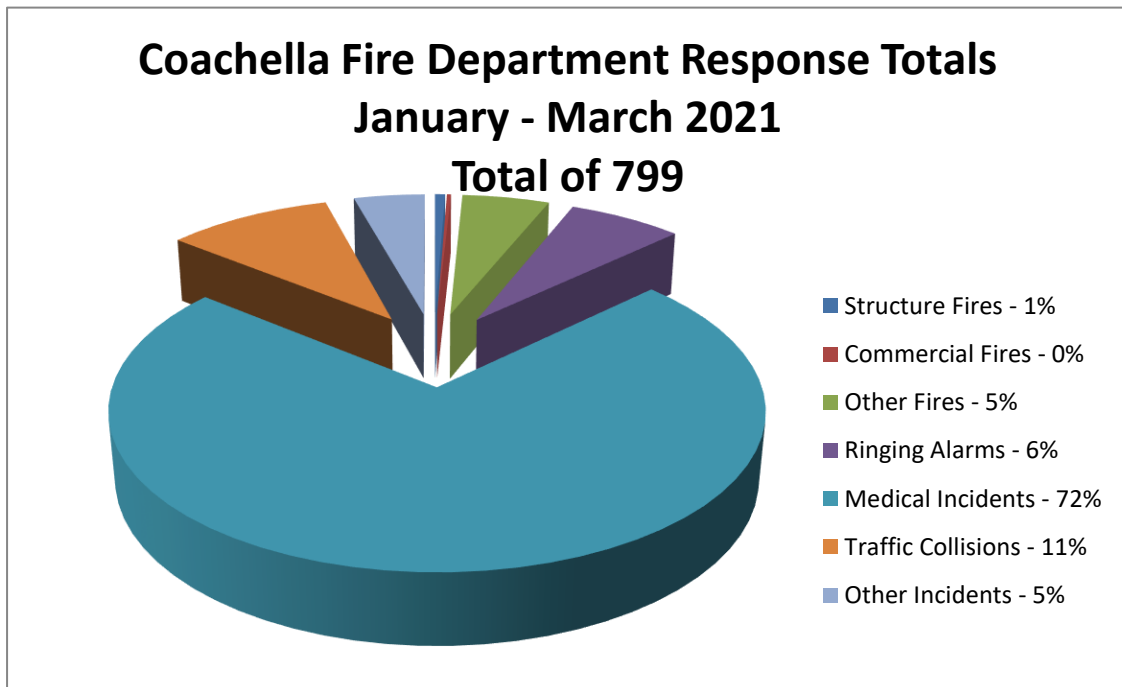
YEAR END RESPONSE REPORT
JANUARY 1, 2022 – MARCH 31, 2022

	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH	YTD (CITY OF COACHELLA)
STRUCTURE FIRES	3	1	2	6
COMMERCIAL FIRES	1	0	0	1
OTHER FIRES	12	12	12	36
RINGING/FALSE ALARMS	15	32	30	77
MEDICAL INCIDENTS	218	189	176	583
TRAFFIC COLLISIONS	19	26	28	73

OTHER INCIDENTS	10	4	9	23
TOTAL	278	264	257	799

RESPONSE TIMES

	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH	YTD (CITY OF COACHELLA)
AVERAGE RESPONSE TIMES (MINUTES)	4.8	5.1	4.2	4.7
% OF CALLS ON SCENE IN 5 MINUTES OR LESS	63%	63%	66%	64%



SIGNIFICANT EVENT

1/2/22 – Firefighters responded to a reported residential structure fire with victims trapped at 53-195 Calle La Paz. The first arriving Engine Company reported a single-story single-family dwelling, with smoke showing from the front of the residence. Riverside County Sheriff's Deputies arrived prior to fire crews and assisted two residents out of the home and to a safe location. Both occupants were evaluated by paramedics for injuries but denied any further treatment or transport. Firefighters were able to quickly locate the fire and confine it to a small laundry room with no extension beyond that room. The American Red Cross was requested to assist with the displacement of the 8 occupants. There were no reported injuries to either civilian or firefighters. Total Lost: \$25,000.00 Total Saved: \$275,000.00

1/10/22 – City Firefighters were dispatched to a reported multi-vehicle traffic accident on Highway 86 and the Dillon Road Offramp. The Fire Chief reported a two-vehicle traffic collision with multiple patients and with one vehicle on its side. There was a total of 5 patients involved with 1 party trapped inside the vehicle on its side. Firefighters were able to quickly extricate that patient and transfer care over to an Air Ambulance where they were transported with critical injuries to Desert Regional Medical Center. A second patient was transported by ground Ambulance with moderate injuries, also to Desert Regional Medical Center. The 3 remaining occupants denied any need for medical assistance.

3/1/22 – Firefighters were dispatched to a reported residential structure fire located at 50-488 Saltillo Circle in the City of Coachella. The first arriving Battalion Chief reported a single-story, single-family residence well involved with fire and threatening one adjacent home. Fire crews were able to keep the fire confined to the structure of origin, while saving the adjacent structure from any damage. City Building and Safety staff were notified, and they arrived on scene to red tag the structure. There were no reported injuries to either civilian or firefighters. The American Red Cross was contacted to assist with the displacement of 5 adults and 1 child.

3/5/22 – Coachella City Firefighters responded to a vegetation fire in the area of Highway 86 and Avenue 50th. The fire crew from Engine 79 discovered two separate fires in the same area. The fires were quickly extinguished. The fires were contained to approximately 1/4 acre. While the firefighters were extinguishing the fires Engine 79 was struck by a large SUV that was traveling Northbound on Highway 86. Engine 79 and the SUV sustained major damage. Fortunately, there were no civilian or firefighter injuries. The Riverside County Sheriffs' Office is conducting a traffic collision investigation. **(See photo below).**



3/23/22 – Fire units were dispatched to a structure fire in the 50000 block of Coronado Street. The first arriving fire engine arrived on scene to find a single-story, single family residence well involved with fire threatening residences on all sides. A defensive operation was initiated to protect the exposures and stop the fire from spreading to additional homes and property. Once the fire was controlled, fire crews were able to gain access to the residence and fully extinguish the fire. There were no civilian or firefighter injuries reported. Total Lost: \$300,000.00
Total Saved: \$20,000.00

3/29/22 – City Firefighters responded to a reported vehicle versus residential structure at 84-500 Via Durango. Upon arrival, fire crews learned that a pickup truck had traveled in reverse, striking a pillar that supported a second story outdoor patio. No injuries were reported. Building & Safety representatives were summoned to evaluate the damage, which they determined to be significant enough to "Red Tag" the structure, thus temporarily displacing a family of 2.

COMMUNITY

3/17/22 – Coachella City Firefighters were selected to participate as judges for the Senior Center's Annual Salsa Contest during their St. Patrick's Day celebration. **(See photos below)**



ADMINISTRATION

The Fire Department would like to welcome some newly added employees to Fire Station #79. Fire Captain James Beckman, Fire Apparatus Engineer Damian Sianez, Firefighter II/Paramedics Tony Ippolito and Matthew Rosenberger. 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.