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EXTERNAL MEMO

Date: 10-21-2025

To: Mr. Alex Rey
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City of Cooper City

From: Mr. Richard Brown
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Department of Fire Rescue and Emergency Services

Subject: Fire Chief's Report – Commission Meeting October 28, 2025

The following is the Fire Chief's report for September 2025. The report highlights information pertinent to the city's fire safety concerns: Fire Rescue Incidents, Fire Apparatus / Station concerns, Fire Prevention, and Community Outreach.

I. FIRE / RESCUE INCIDENT REPORT

Fire / Hazardous Condition Related Incidents in Cooper City	43
Medical Related Incidents in Cooper City	204
<u>Fastest Unit Response to Other Jurisdictions</u>	<u>28</u>
Total Incidents	275

II. FASTEST UNIT RESPONSE / MUTUAL AID CALLS

Incidents where Cooper City units have responded to outside jurisdictions and incidents that outside agencies assisted Cooper City.

	Davie	Hollywood	Pembroke Pines	Totals
Cooper City units responded to outside jurisdiction	20	0	8	28
Outside agencies responded into Cooper City	10	0	2	12

III. INCIDENT RESPONSE SUMMARY

Total responses	Incident Responses < 6 min.	Priority 1 Incident Responses 6 - 9 min.	Priority 1 Responses > 9 min.	Lower Priority / Non-Emergent Responses	Fastest Unit Responses
275	133	79	3	32	28

IV. FIRE APPARATUS / STATION REPORT

APPARATUS SERVICE DAYS

Unit	Days In-Service	Days Out-of-Service
Q28	30	0
E28	30	0
R28	30	0
R228	25	5
DC28	30	0

Rescue 228 was a reserve unit for an alternator repair - September 12th through September 16th but has been back in the frontline unit since that time.

New Quint 28 Update: The vehicle is on the production assembly line at Pierce in Appleton Wisconsin. This is the web link to view the build progress on the assembly line (<https://ten8fire.com/fire-in-production/cooper-city-enforcer-aerial-39676/>).

NEW Rescue 28 Update: Matheny has successfully completed the anti-theft Shift Interrupt Switch (SIS) installation. The last touches must be completed, and an acceptance inspection scheduled. If there are no deficiencies found at the final inspection, the rescue will be accepted by BSO. Upon acceptance, BSO Fleet will mount our equipment on the vehicle, which will take roughly 2 - 3 weeks. The apparatus' warranty starts when the vehicle responds to the first incident / call for service.

V. FIRE PREVENTION

Construction Plans Reviewed	18
Annual Fire Inspections	103
New Business Inspections	3
Complaint Inspections	2
Construction Permit Inspections	10
FY Annual Inspections Completed	99.3%

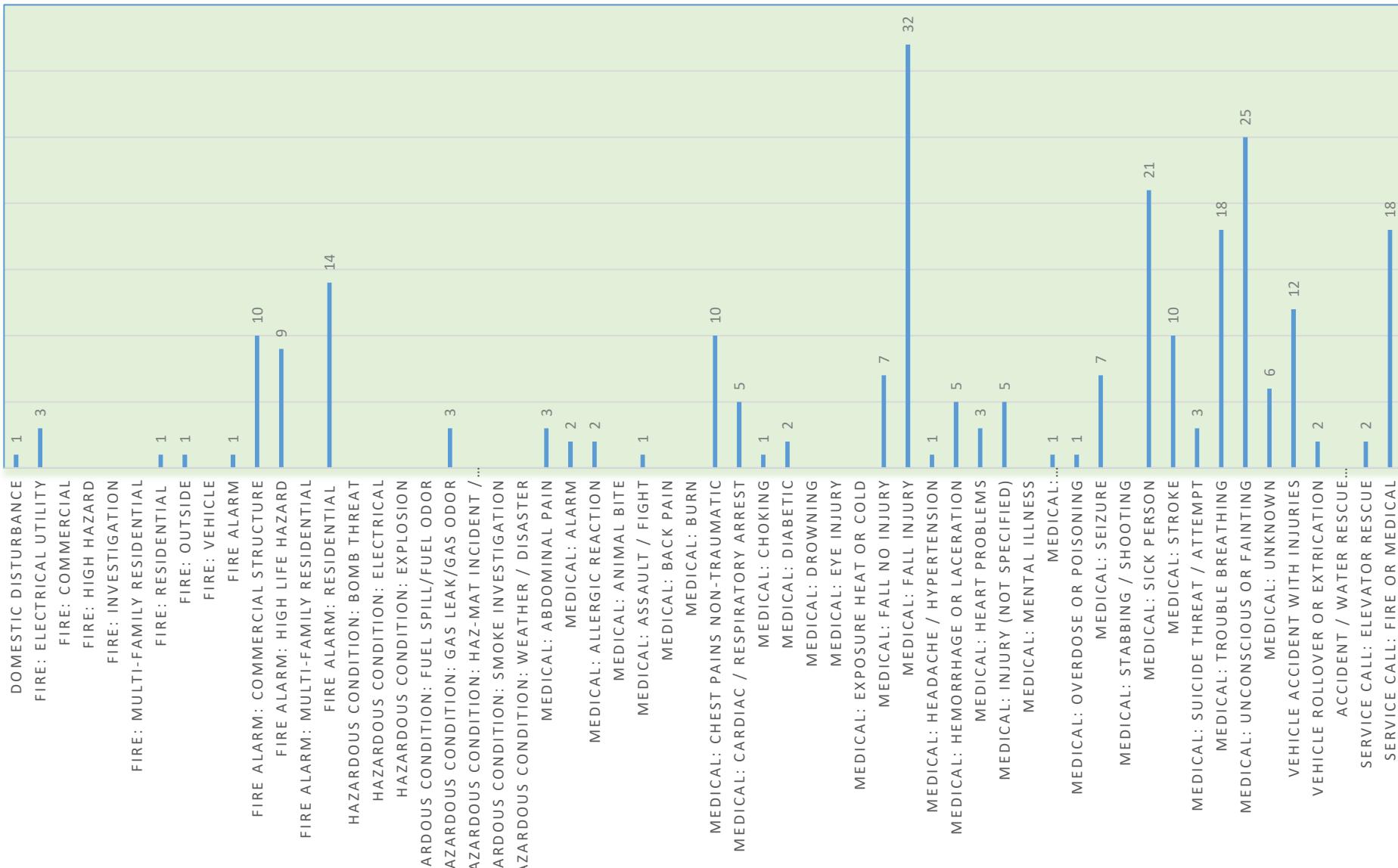
2025 Hydrant Flushing	
Total Hydrants:	1240
Hydrants Flushed:	710
Hydrants Out-of-Service:	0
Pending:	530

VI. COMMUNITY OUTREACH REPORT

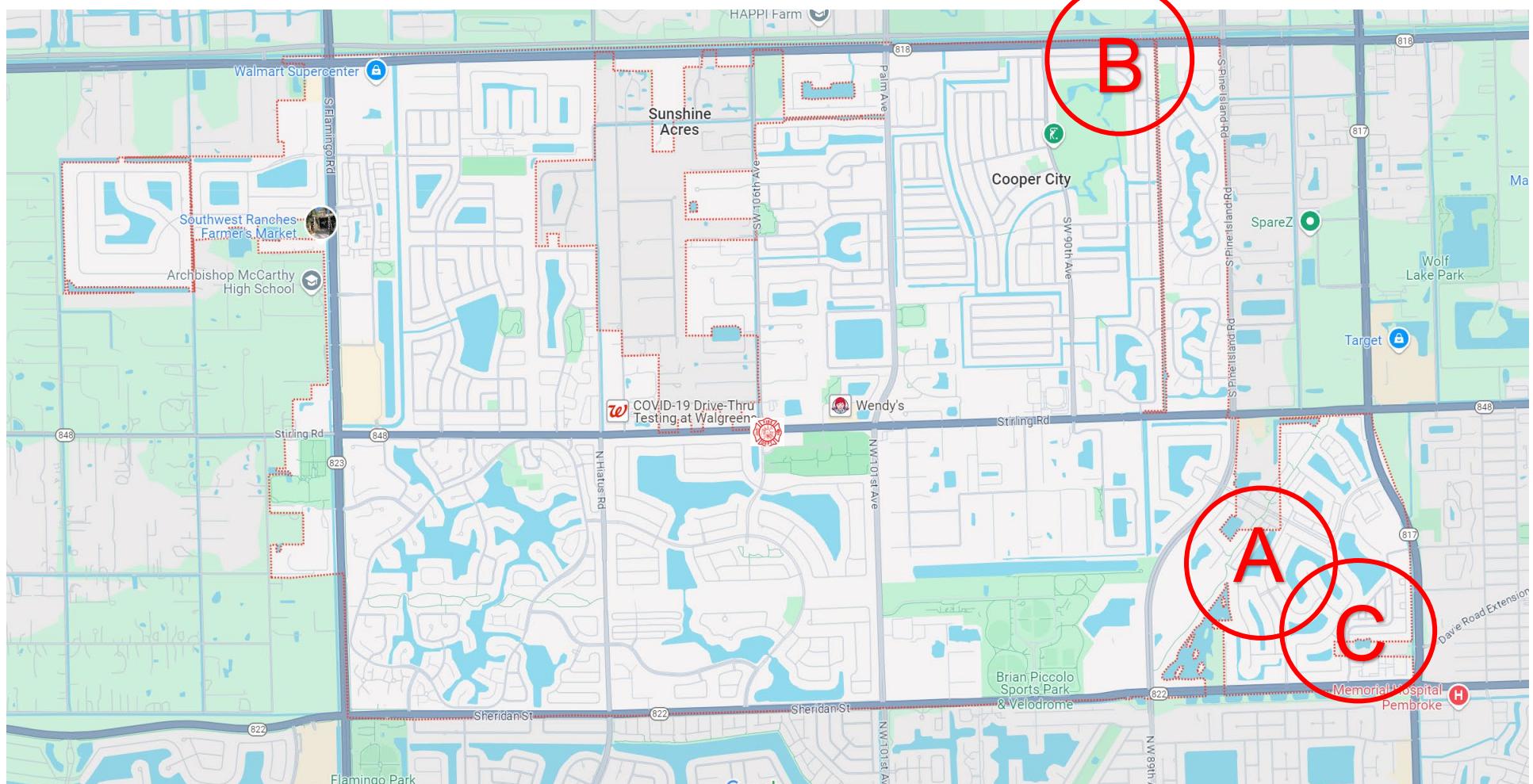
- 9/4 Monterra HOA meeting and building walk through (Life Safety Educators).
- 9/11 Memorial at Cooper City High School (District Chief & Quint 28).
- 9/13 Cooper City Touch-A-Truck at Suellen Fardelmann Sports Complex (District Chief & Station Crew).
- 9/16 Public Safety Advisory Board meeting at City Hall (District Chief).
- 9/18 CERT meeting & team training on Fire Extinguishers at Fire Station 28 (Guest Instructor & Station Crew).
- 9/27 Monterra HOA – Hands Only CPR and AED training (Life Safety Educators).
- 9/29 Cooper Academy – Presentation at Police Station and Tour at Fire Station 28 (District Chief & Station Crew).
- 2 Car Seat Installations in September (Life Safety Educators).

VII. Total Response by Incident Type

FIRE / MEDICAL / HAZARDOUS INCIDENTS - SEPTEMBER 2025



VIII. Map of Response Time Outliers



Cause for Delayed Response

- A. Distance and Staged for BSO Deputies
- B. Distance and Traffic
- C. Distance and Traffic

Response Time

10:44

Time of Day

05:02

Type of Incident

Medical
Electrical Utility Fire
Fire Alarm

IX. COP and CERT Merger Feasibility Analysis

COP and CERT Program

BSO Fire and BSO DLE recently met to assess the feasibility of merging the Citizens on Patrol (COP) and Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) programs. After careful consideration, the following key points were identified:

- **Sponsoring Agencies:**

COP is a BSO-led program governed by internal standard operating procedures (SOPs), while CERT is a City of Cooper City initiative that follows FEMA guidelines.

- **Operational Models:**

COP functions on a regular patrol schedule with assigned tasks. In contrast, CERT operates on an ad hoc basis, primarily supporting planned events and emergency situations.

- **Opportunities for Collaboration:**

There are overlapping areas between the programs that would benefit from joint efforts, particularly in training. Shared training opportunities in areas such as medical response, safety, and situational awareness would enhance the capabilities of both teams.

Recommendation:

Given the disparate missions and operating procedures of the COP and CERT programs, a full merger is not recommended at this time. However, exploring collaborative training initiatives has merit and would improve operational efficiency and inter-program cooperation. There is value in utilizing the established organizational structure of the COP program and similarly organizing CERT to capitalize on the notable efficiencies.