



Iona-McGregor Fire District FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT February 18, 2026

Fire Chief:

- Station Captains have been promoted. This represents a significant progression in our organization. Congratulations to Captains Quilty, Hagewood, Barber, Gonzalez and Bouchard. Congratulations to Training Captain David Hinton also.
- We are working on the Annual report for 2025 and hope to have that done by next month's meeting.

Operations:

- Call volume is trending upward as expected during peak season.
- Recent cold weather has increased the amount of fire related dispatches due to use of heating within homes/businesses.
- Staffing and Promotions
 - Station Captains have been selected, and we look forward to the progression of the new program. Their one-year probationary period began February 4th
 - EMS Coordinators are set to have a busy few months with multiple newly certified paramedics entering the credentialing program
 - Lieutenant promotional testing will occur in late February; and engineer testing is in the planning phase
- Our transition to National Emergency Response Information Systems (NERIS) from the legacy program National Fire Incident Reporting System (NFIRS) remains a work in progress, and we look forward to further enhancements via guidance of the system administrators.

Logistics:

Fleet Maintenance

- Fleet maintenance is on schedule.
 - In January the fleet received 16.5 hours of service.
- New E75 was put into operation at Station 75.
- New E77 is currently at SFEV having an additional rear discharge added.
 - This alteration will allow E77 to function closer to the rest of the fleet, allowing for fast implementation of fire attack.

Technology Upgrades

- IP Dispatch systems were installed at all stations.
 - This addition will increase the districts out of the shoot times to calls.
- The district received a new phone system provided by Comcast Business.
 - The new system has restored interfacility communications in the district.

PSTRAX

- In January, the Logistics Division received 88 alerts and 60 were closed. The remaining alerts remain open awaiting vendor work completion and delivery of equipment or parts.

Prevention/Community Relations:

TOTAL INSPECTIONS & ACTIVITIES	515*
ANNUAL INSPECTIONS	305
COMMUNITY EVENT	1
CPR	5
SCHOOL VISIT	3

**Activities include hydrant flow testing for remodel/new construction projects, emergency vehicle gate access testing, Knox Box key installation, complaint investigations, and follow-up for fire protection systems (contractor inspections).*

- On January 7th, B-Shift crews at Station 71 partnered with the Freedom Waters Foundation for a special day on the water. Using Marine 70 at Slipway Marina, children with disabilities were given the opportunity to climb aboard, operate the water cannon, and enjoy boat rides provided by volunteer local guides.
- On January 13th, the 5th edition of the Chief's Newsletter was published, continuing to share District updates, initiatives, and accomplishments.
- On January 20th, CRS Megan Contreras was selected to participate in the School District of Lee County's Pathways to Success – Career Conversations program at Cape Coral High School. Chosen by a district employee, she spoke with nominated students about career pathways, workforce readiness, and opportunities in the fire service.
- On January 26th, IMFD completed a delayed Fire Prevention Month visit at The Learning Tree, where 70 students participated in the Friendly Firefighter program and had the opportunity to spray the fire hose at the conclusion of the visit.
- On January 27th, CRS Megan Contreras helped Heights Elementary kick off its read-a-thon, reading The Day I Had a Fire Truck to kindergarten students.
- Throughout January, IMFD hosted five CPR classes, training 52 participants in lifesaving skills.

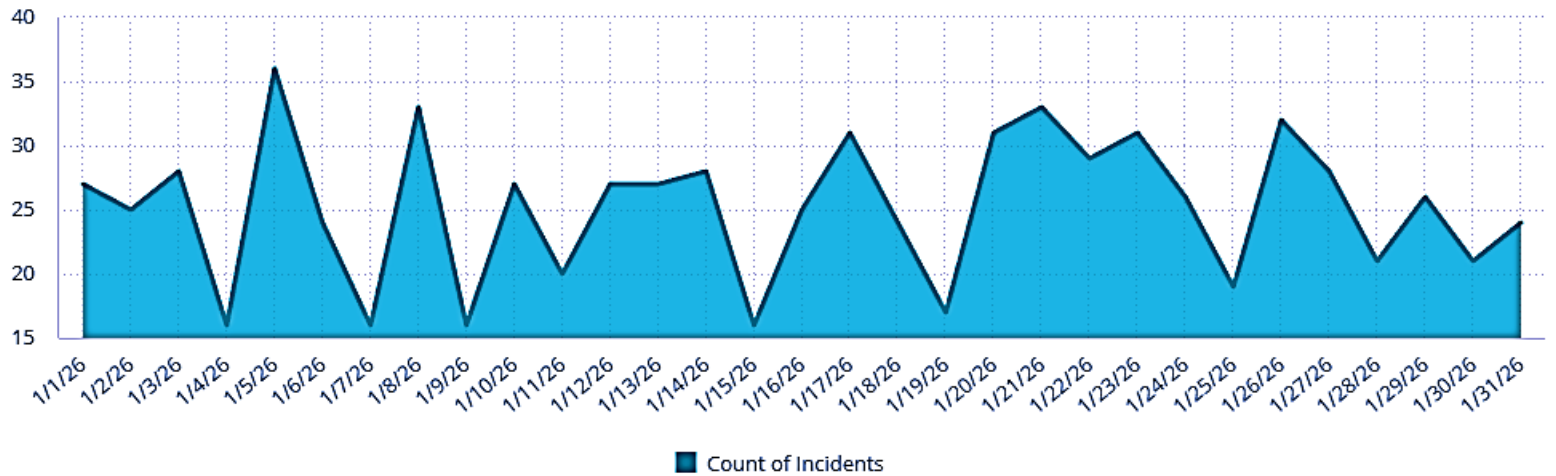
Fire Training/Special Operations:

- DC Wisdom and Eng. Streete attended the Florida Fire & EMS Conference in Orlando. The purpose of their trip was to participate in bi-annual state meetings focused on the State of Florida Special Response Team program management.
- Crews rotated through Punta Rassa Condos in Zone 72 to participate in training on mid-rise tactics. Capt. Quilty and Capt. Barber led crews through one-hour rotations focused on engine company tactics.
- Squad Saturday training was conducted in Estero this month and crews focused on building high lines across a body of water.
- The probationary firefighters completed their Module 1 testing. All members successfully completed written assessments in fire and EMS along with practical evaluations in fireground skills.
- Members participated in training with the Region 6 Hazmat team from the City of Fort Myers. The focus on this month's training was gas and vapor detection.

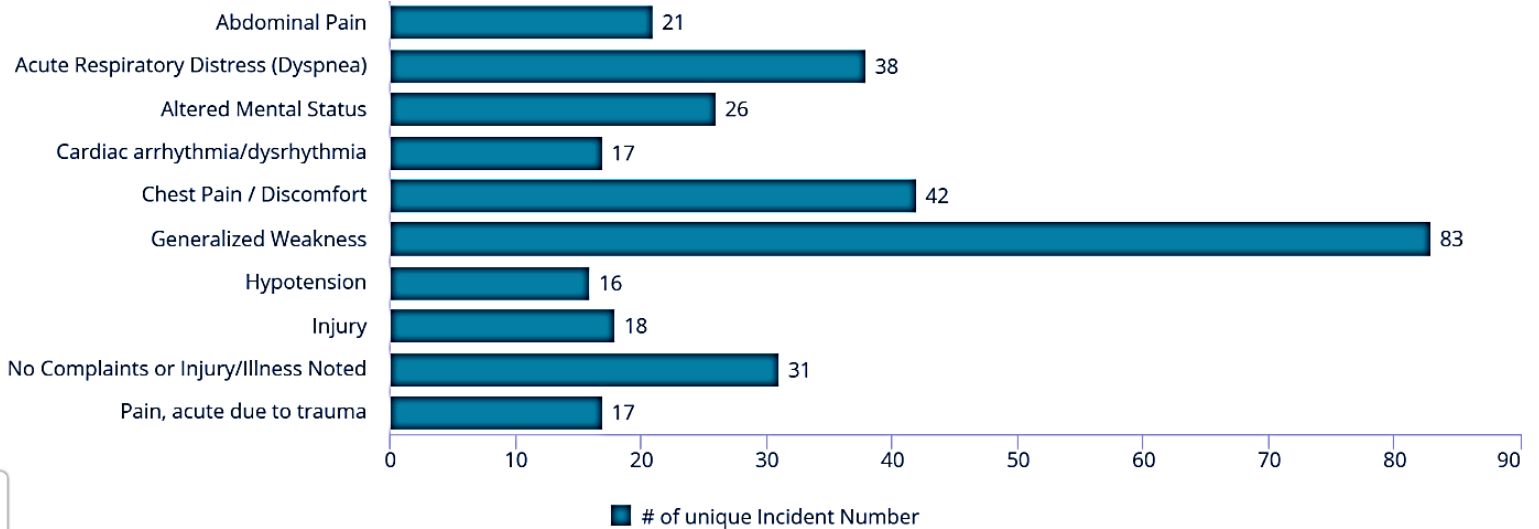
EMS, Health and Safety:

- DC Hernden, Engineer Prochilo, and Engineer Guzman attended the Florida Fire & EMS Conference in Orlando. The Florida Fire & EMS Conference is a leading provider of fire and EMS education, hands-on-training and vendor network, creating an event for the fire service community that actively addresses the current needs of the industry. DC Hernden also attended the State EMS Advisory Council and Florida Fire Chiefs' Association meetings held as part of the same event.

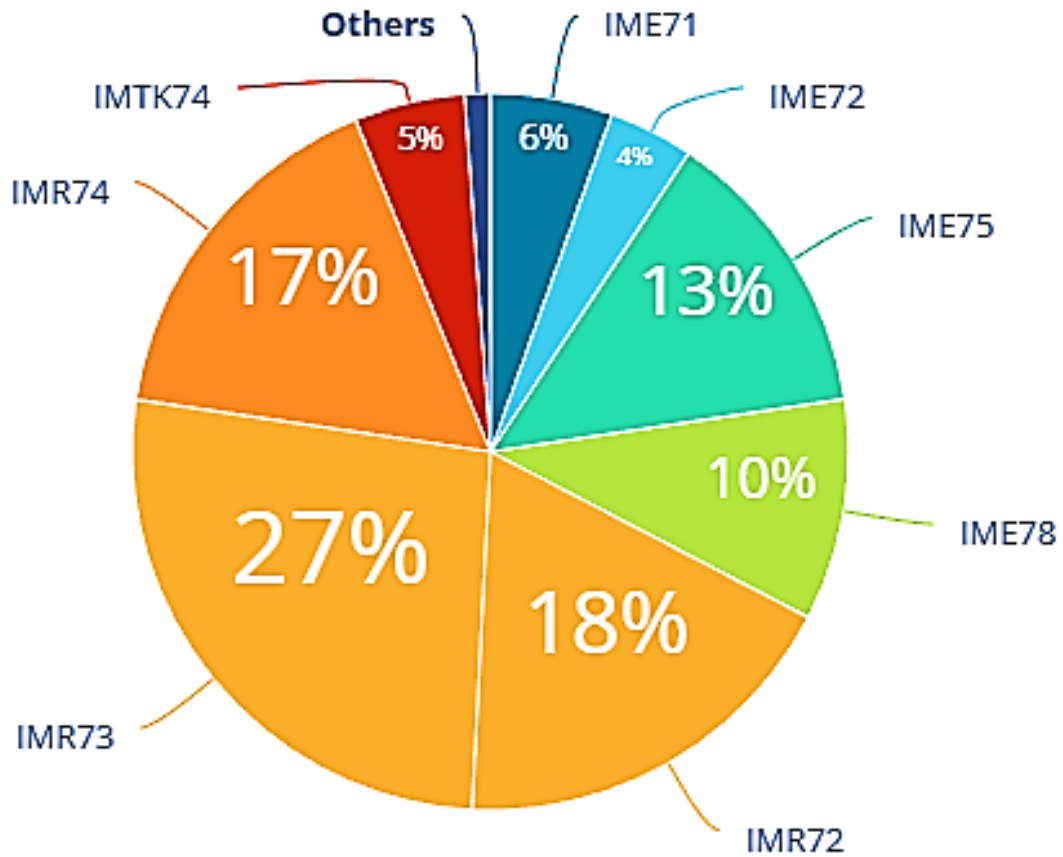
Call Volume by Day



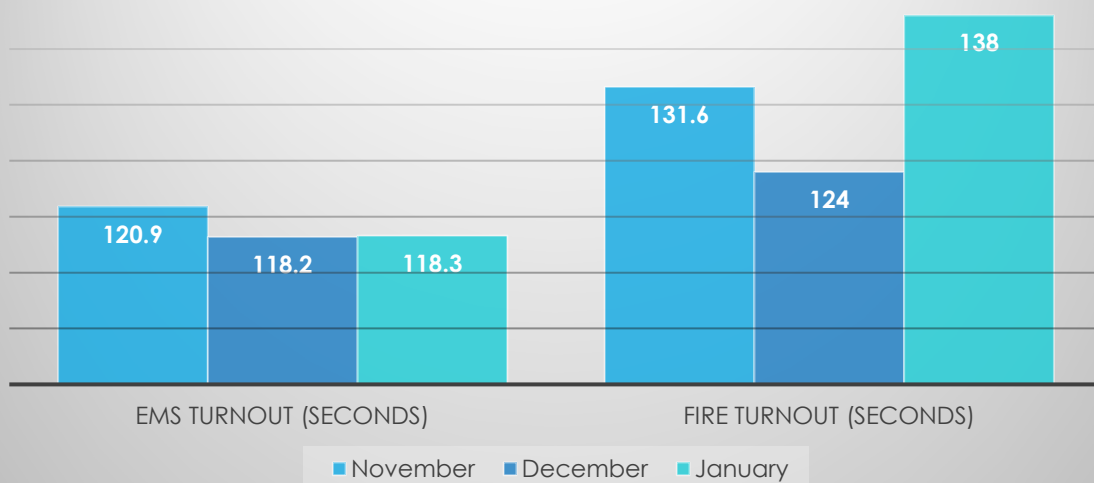
Top 10 Primary Impressions



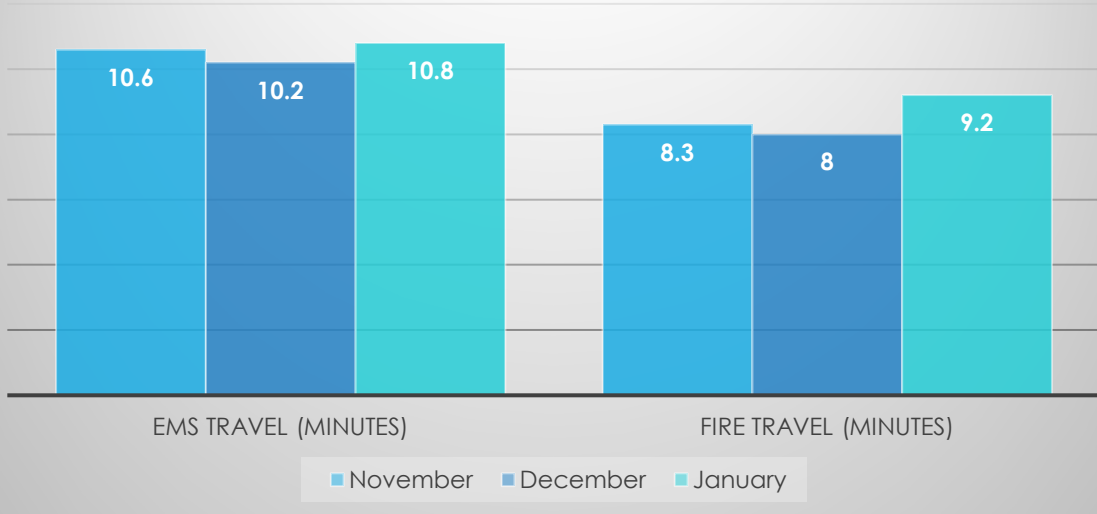
EMS Call Volume % by Unit



EMS & Fire Turnout Times (90th Percentile)



EMS & Fire Travel Times (90th Percentile)



Total Call Volume (All Incident Types)

