



2022 ANNUAL REPORT



CLAY FIRE

TO HELP OTHERS

STAFFING

26 DAILY STAFFING

76 CAREER STAFF

STATION LOCATIONS AND APPARATUS

STATION 21

18776 Cleveland Rd.
Battalion 2, Engine 21, Truck 21, Medic 21

STATION 22

18355 Auten Rd.
Engine 22, Tanker 22

STATION 23

51775 Portage Rd.
Engine 23

STATION 24

13981 State Road 23
Engine 24, Medic 24

STATION 25

12481 Anderson Rd.
Battalion 4, Engine 25, Tanker 25



Since 2004, Clay Fire has continued to maintain Accredited Agency status through the Commission on Fire Accreditation



International. While there are over 27,000 fire departments in the United States, only 301 have the distinction of being accredited. Currently, there are only 4 accredited agencies in Indiana.



SINCE 2016, CLAY FIRE HAS MAINTAINED AN ISO CLASS 2 RATING

2022 RESPONSE DATA

CALLS BY SHIFT

A-SHIFT
1893 RUNS

B-SHIFT
**1908
RUNS**

C-SHIFT
1819 RUNS



5,620

TOTAL RUNS FOR 2022

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5TH

BUSIEST DAY OF THE YEAR: 40 RUNS

FRIDAY

BUSIEST DAY OF THE WEEK: 874 RUNS

10:00 AM

BUSIEST TIME OF DAY

SUPPORT SERVICES

2022 UPDATE



TRUCK 21

In January 2023, Clay Fire will take delivery of the new Truck 21. It is a Pierce 100' mid-mount. Crews will conduct manufacturer in-service training in February 2023. Upon completion of that training, the new Truck 21 will be placed in service!

In addition to the Truck 21 project, the Clay Fire Services Division had a busy and productive year in 2022 in many different areas. Many capital improvement projects were completed including replacing the roof at Station 22, painting the exterior of Station 21, building Engine and Truck offices at Station 21, and extending the bunkroom walls at Station 21.

Fleet services completed all of the Annual Mandates including DOT inspections, pump testing, ladder testing, along with all repairs and preventative maintenance for our fleet.

Lastly, new Medic 21 was received and put into service in 2022.



CLAY FIRE OPERATIONS DIVISION

The Clay Fire Operations division oversaw many significant accomplishments in 2022 which included the following:

- Completed fire behavior and thermal imaging training that finished with full-scale burns
- Placed Smoke Stopper curtains in service
- Introduced new division boards
- Attended mayday operations training with department-wide drills to be held in 2023
- Updated response plans and box cards
- Completed year two of Work Performance Evaluations (WPE)
- Conducted promotional process for the following positions: Engineer, Lieutenant, Captain, and Battalion Chief



TRAINING DIVISION



2022 BY THE NUMBERS

2022 was a busy year for the Clay Fire Training Division. Overall, members of Clay Fire completed over **27,000 hours** of training in some of the following categories:

Fire Training Hours at the Training Grounds: 4,329

Officer Training Hours: 1,735

Driver/Operator Hours: 5,176

Company Training Hours: 9,326

EMS Training Hours: 3,519

Hazmat Training Hours: 993

MINI ACADEMY

The Training Division hosted two mini-academies which added 16 new part-time firefighters to the Clay Fire roster. The individuals had previous fire experience and complete a 50 hour orientation.



TOWER EXPANSION

Throughout 2022, Clay Fire began a renovation and expansion project for the fire training tower. To date, this project has achieved the following benchmarks:

- Add 4 additional conex boxes
- Complete pass-throughs on the 2nd and 3rd floors to increase the total training square footage to 2,780
- Replace flooring throughout various parts of the tower
- Add 6 new windows

In 2023, the tower project is expected to be completed. When finished the tower will have one new large area bedroom, additional interior stairwell, and an added burn room.



CLAY FIRE TASK MANUAL

Throughout the year, the Training Division worked with dozens of members of Clay Fire to re-shoot all of the Clay Fire Task Manual videos. In total, over 50 hours of footage was shot. These videos have been incorporate into the latest edition of the Task Manual.



IDHS TRAINING GRANT



INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

In 2022, Clay Fire applied for and was awarded a training grant to purchase two sets of through-the-lock forcible entry props along with 4 training manikins.

STATE CERTIFICATIONS

Throughout the year, members of Clay Fire participated in many different State of Indiana certification classes that include the following:

- Fire Officer Strategy & Tactics
- Fire Officer I
- Fire Investigator
- Fire Inspector
- Public Fire & Life Safety Educator I/II



EMS DIVISION



The Clay Fire EMS Division concluded 2022 with many achievements. Two members successfully completed paramedic education and earned a State of Indiana Paramedic license. Two additional members successfully completed training becoming Advanced Emergency medical Technicians. These certified Advanced Life Support providers will staff both fire engines and ambulances to provide the highest level of prehospital emergency medical care to patients. In April of 2022, four Clay Fire members started paramedic class with a scheduled completion date at the end of 2023. The nearly two-year paramedic program provides members the education before completing the certification exams.

Clay Fire provides ongoing EMS education to its members each month as regular scheduled training. On top of monthly training that members complete to maintain their certifications, Clay Fire also hosted structured EMS courses for pediatric emergencies, trauma life support, and advanced cardiac life support. As an EMS provider organization, Clay Fire completed the recertification process to provide emergency medical service to our community. In August, the new Medic 21 ambulance went into service. This new ambulance completed the complete standardization of both frontline ambulances while having a reserve ambulance that is very similar.



EMS DIVISION



- 2485 Clay Fire ambulance transports
- Medic 21: 1,415 calls for service
- Medic 24: 1,047 calls for service
- 3,003 patient care reports
- New Advanced EMT's: 2
- New Paramedics: 2
- 4 members started Paramedic school with an anticipated 2023 completion
- New Medic 21 placed in service August 2022
- Classes held: PALS, PEPP, PHTLS, ACLA, and CPR

TOP 5 CALL TYPES

1. **INJURY (499)**
2. **CARDIAC (235)**
3. **BREATHING PROBLEMS (221)**
4. **ALTERED MENTAL STATUS (160)**
5. **ABDOMINAL PAIN (136)**

WHERE ARE YOU GOING?

**MEMORIAL HOSPITAL:
1,248 TRANSPORTS**

**ST. JOSEPH HEALTH SYSTEM:
1,145 TRANSPORTS**



Welcome Division Chief Kraft!

In September, Captain Eric Kraft was promoted to the position of Division Chief of EMS

CLAY FIRE

COMMUNITY RISK REDUCTION DIVISION



THANK YOU DAVE!

After 52 years of service to our community, Fire Marshal Dave Cherrone retired in May. Dave's commitment to public education and our community is incomparable and although we are sad to see Dave retire, we wish him nothing but the best.



Upon Dave's retirement, Division Chief of Planning Ron Melser was promoted to the position of Fire Marshal. After working with Fire Marshal Cherrone for so many years, Ron is the perfect successor for this position!

**PUB ED
EVENTS**

7,217

**INVESTIGATIONS
COMPLETED**

111

**INSPECTIONS
COMPLETED**

2,948



CLAY FIRE

COMMUNITY RISK REDUCTION DIVISION



In October, the CRR Division hosted 3 open houses for our community. Attendees were able to participate in children's activities along with learning about fire safety information.



In 2022, Clay Fire made a total of 139 address signs. Having a reflective address sign on your house helps us find you when you call 9-1-1. To order a sign, please visit www.clayfd.com. Signs cost \$20.



In 2022, Clay Fire car seat Technicians installed 47 car seats. To schedule an appointment to have a car seat installed, please call (574) 272-2144.