

Brainerd Fire Department

To: Mayor and City Council
From: Tim Holmes, Brainerd Fire Chief
Date: December 31, 2020
Re: December Activity Report

As 2020 comes to an end, I want to thank everyone for all their support throughout this year. We have seen some difficult times, but we have been able to stay strong and positive. We have an excellent team and they are very committed to this wonderful community.

December was another month with changes and having to adapt. All our training has been online apart from some training with our new Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA). This new equipment should be in service in early 2021.



We started a program sponsored by Crow Wing Energize with funding from Sourcewell, The Road to Resilience from the First Twenty. A program focused on the overall health and wellness of our firefighters and all members of our communities. We are excited about the opportunity to be part of this program.

I want to thank the Brainerd Fire Department Relief Association for their generous donation to purchase an insulation vacuum and a trailer to haul the equipment. The insulation vacuum will be used for overhaul and will make our operations much more efficient and thorough. The insulation vacuum is also intended to decrease the amount of damage to a structure during the overhaul process when insulation needs to be removed from a structure.

FM/DC Cox continues to be busy with fire inspections throughout our coverage area. He has continued to help businesses with questions related to COVID-19 restrictions.

2020 has been a challenging year but we are grateful for all the opportunities we have had and we look forward to 2021.

Brainerd Fire Coverage Area Incident Report (Includes City of Brainerd)

Structure Fire	2
Vehicle Fire	1
Medical Assist	2
Vehicle Crash	1
Extrication, Rescue	1
Gas Leak	1
Assist Other Governmental Agency	2
Good Intent, Public Service	5
Mutual Aid Assistance	1
Smoke Scare	3
Alarm System Activation	9
Canceled Enroute	2
Carbon Monoxide Alarm	3
Total	33

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Alarm System Activation	4
Carbon Monoxide Alarm	1
Total	17