

BURNABY FIRE DEPARTMENT

Public Safety Committee Meeting: 2025 Apr 23

STATUS REPORT

The following status report is based on information regarding activities available to the end of February 2025.

- 1. Details on Major Incident occurrences within the City
- 2. High level Statistic Review to communicate trends within the City, including:
 - 2.1 Suppression Division Statistics
 - 2.2 Fire Prevention Division Statistics
 - 2.3 Training Division Programs
- 3. Summary of Community Outreach Initiatives, including:
 - 3.1 Community Engagements
 - 3.2 Recruitment Engagements

1. MAJOR INCIDENTS

Event Type: Structure Fire

Date: February 11, 2025

Street Address: 9603 Manchester Drive

Response: 03:22 - Arrived: 03:27 - Cleared: 05:53 - Total Time: 2 hours 31

minutes

2nd Alarm

• E1, E2, E4, E6, E8, L5, L6, R2, CMD 1

• 25 floor high-rise (Unit #1901)

32 personnel dispatched

Confine, Extinguish, RIT, Search, Vent, Overhaul

Event Type: Structure Fire

Date: February 25, 2025

Street Address: 7961 Hunter Street

Response: 11:38 – Arrived: 11:46 – Cleared: 16:41 – Total Time: 5 hours and 3

minutes

• 2nd Alarm

• E6, E1, L6, E5, CMD 1, R1, E8, E7, L3

Detail: • 2-story house

• 32 personnel dispatched

• Confine, Exposure, Extinguish, RIT, Search, Vent, Overhaul

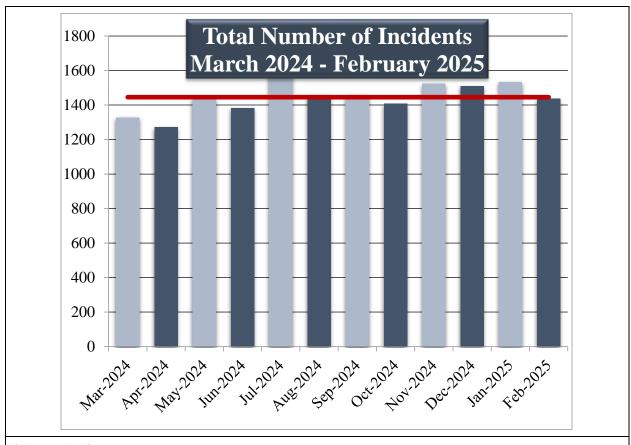
 Department answered 13 calls for service while committed to the second alarm assignment - experienced with no reduction to level of service nor delayed response

Additional building fire response 6741 Cariboo Road at 14:20

- Fire in a coffee roaster

Roof operations were performed with suppression

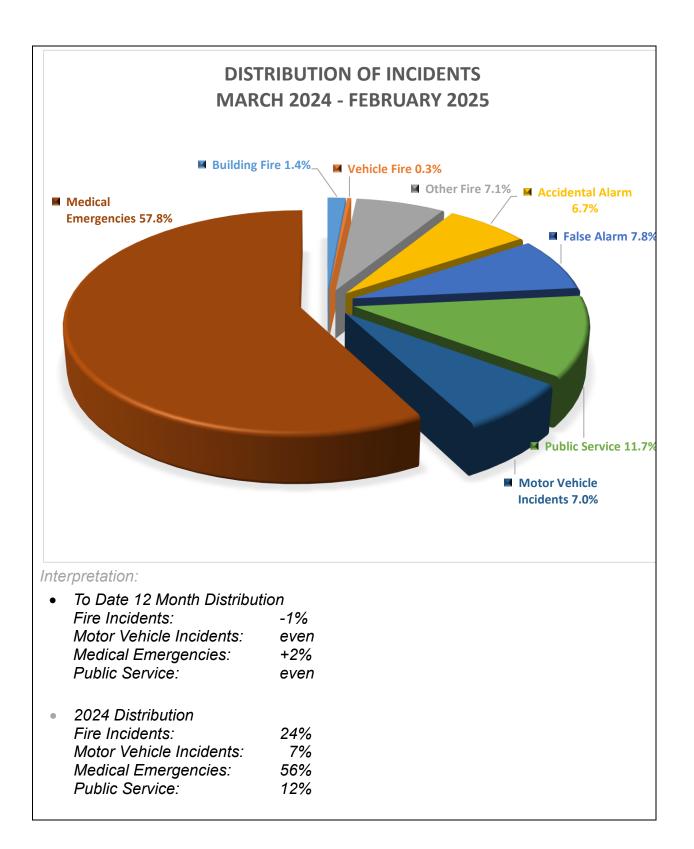
1.1 Suppression Division Statistics

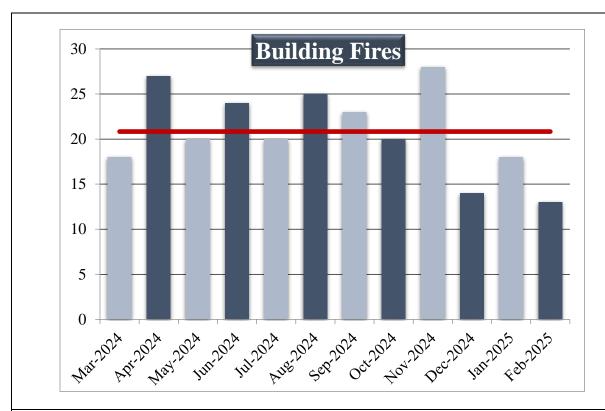


Interpretation:

2024 Total Incidents: 17,460 +5%
2023 Total Incidents: 16,635 +6%

2022 Total Incidents: 15,714 +18%

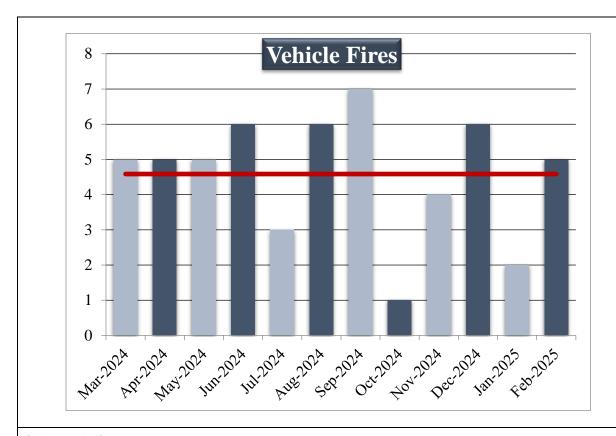




- As the density of the city increases the number of multi-unit residential and commercial buildings, the firefighting resources required to attack fires within larger, more complex buildings with more lives present also increases. This leads to an increase in 2nd and 3rd alarm fire incidents annually.
- Increase in fire events typically experienced through holiday season and within winter months

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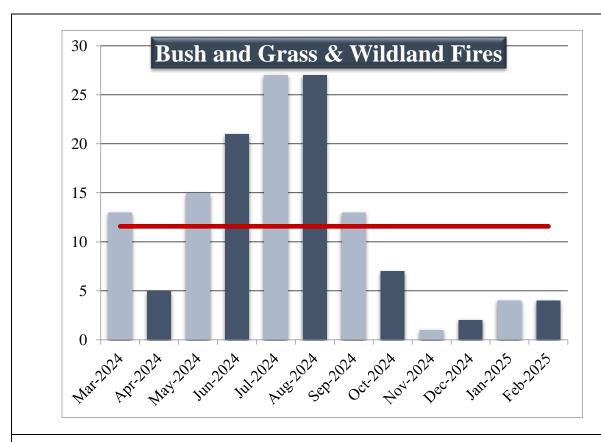
• Fires within all types of buildings and structures.



• None provided.

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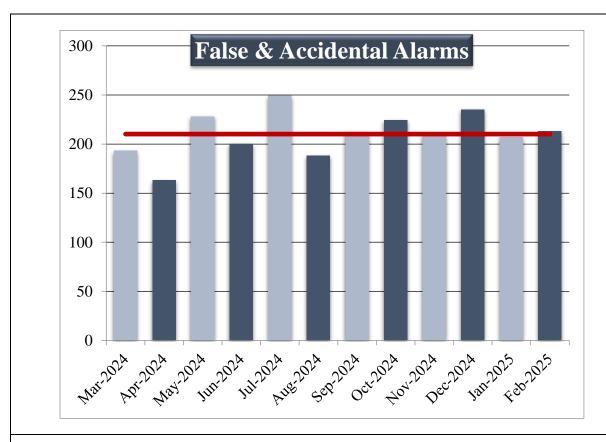
- Fire related to all types of vehicles and mobile equipment:
 - o Automobiles
 - o Cranes
 - o Motorcycles
 - Tractors
 - o Trucks
 - o Boxcars
 - o Fork-lifts
 - o Motor homes
 - Trailers
 - Vans



- Fires in outdoor spaces typically increase during the summer months of the year.
- The drying effects of climate change on City wildland spaces has been notable.
- The dry wildland season now begins early in April and extends to October, a six month period.

Description:

Fires related to outdoor spaces and lands



• It is expected that with the increasing density of living within the City, and the increase in buildings required to utilize automatic fire detection systems that the number of False & Accidental Alarm incidents will consistently and continually increase.

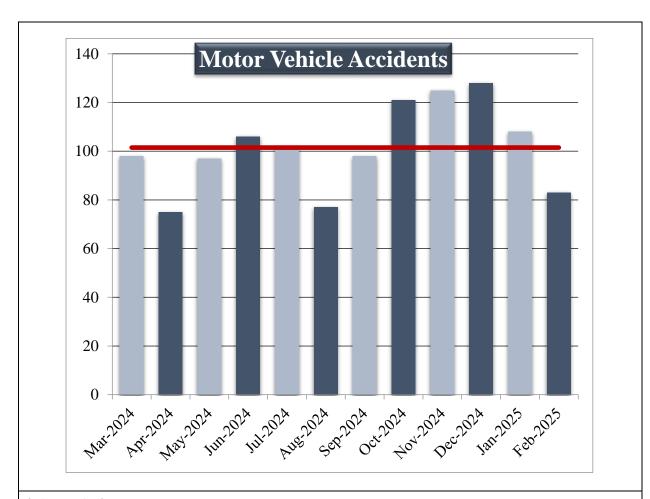
Description:

Accidental Alarm:

- When there is a malfunction in a fire alarm system
- When a fire alarm is inadvertently activated

False Alarm:

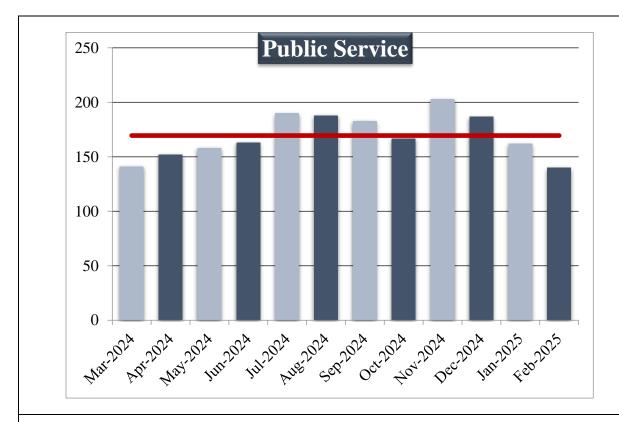
- When a person deliberately reports a non-existent fire or emergency
- When a person deliberately activates an alarm system knowing that there is no fire or emergency



• None provided.

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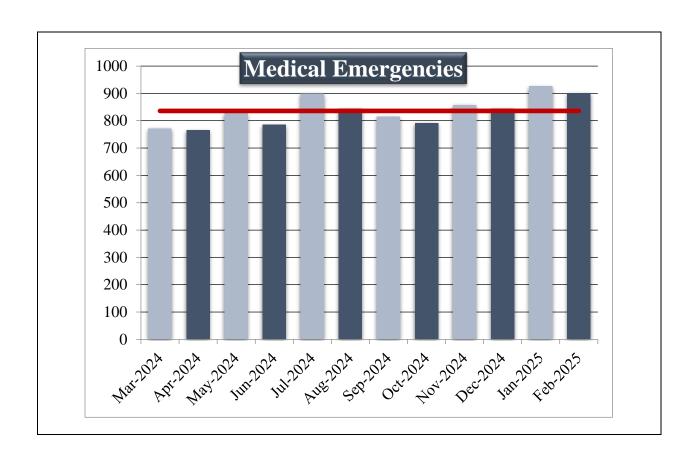
• Motor Vehicle Accidents with or without injuries

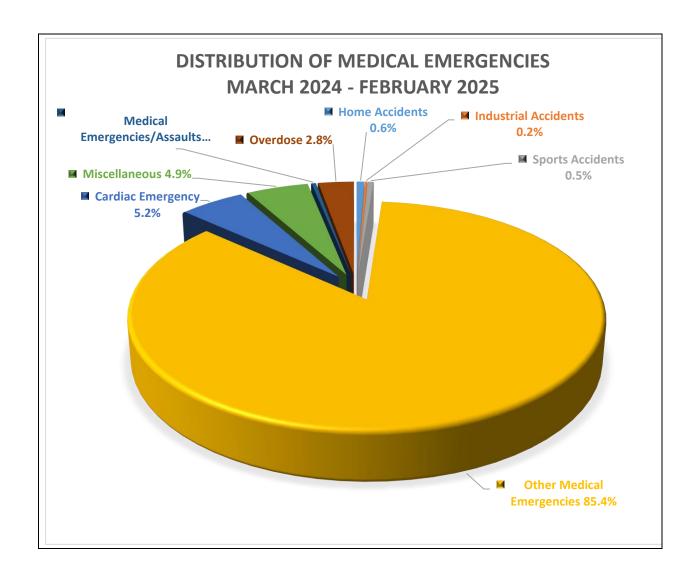


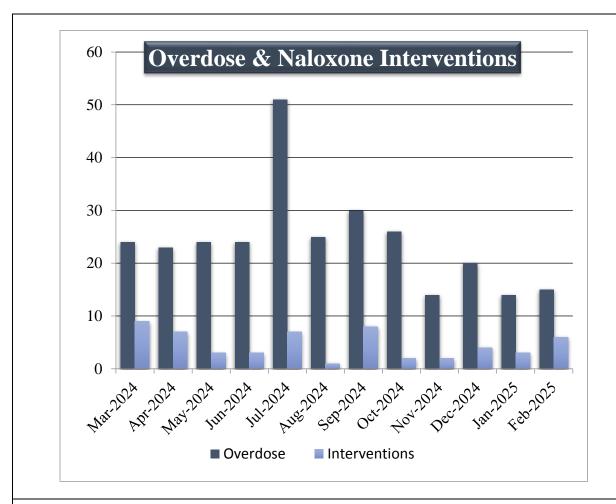
None provided.

Description:

- Assist incapacitated person(s)
- Assist person(s) to gain entry
- Assist police or other agency
- Street/road wash down
- Utility wires down
- Vehicle problems
- Water problems
- Miscellaneous
- Filming on Location
- Public Education/Demonstration/Show & Shines
- Tower Crane Survey







None provided

Description:

 These statistics provide a representation of the total number of overdose-based events responded to by the Burnaby Fire Department, with a further identifier of the number of those events where Naloxone is utilized to counteract the impairing substance.

1.2 Fire Prevention Division Statistics

January & February Total Activity:	563

Approvals & Reviews - Completed	January	February	Total
Pre-Final Buildings	3	2	5
Building Final Approvals	25	36	61
Fire Safety Plan Approvals	8	15	23
Permit/Plan Application Reviews	80	68	148
Alternative Solutions Code Report Reviews	1	1	2
Witnessed Life Safety Functional Tests	2	6	8
Business Licences	54	49	103
Sprinkler	14	15	29
FPP - Progress Inspection	0	0	0
Day Care Applications	14	16	30
Flow tests	1	0	1
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Investigations - Completed	January	February	Total
Fire Investigates Conducted	4	4	8

Initial Inspections									
January & February 2025 - Completed	Annual	Building	Complaint	Госкрох	Maintenance	On-Site Request	Food Truck	MISC.	Total
High-Rise Buildings	2	1	1	3	3	1	0	5	16
Low-Rise Buildings + Multifamily	8	1	1	11	1	0	0	3	25
Business Complexes (Warehouse, Office)	5	7	1	3	2	0	0	3	21
Base Buildings	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Child Care Facilities	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Educational Institutions & Schools	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Food Trucks	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Misc Building Type	0	3	1	2	5	6	0	1	18
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Re-Inspections Re-Inspections									
January & February 2025 - Completed	Annual	Building	Complaint	Lockbox	Maintenance	On-Site Request	Food Truck	MISC.	Total
High-Rise Buildings	3	0	1	0	1	0	0	2	7
Low-Rise Buildings + Multifamily	18	0	0	2	1	1	0	5	27
Business Complexes (Warehouse, Office)	4	1	0	0	4	0	0	9	18
Base Buildings	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Child Care Facilities	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Educational Institutions & Schools	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Food Trucks	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Misc Building Type	3	0	1	0	1	2	0	4	11
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1.3 Training Division Programs

Training	Jan	Feb	Total Hours
Auto Extrication	51:30:00	16:00:00	67:30:00
Company Training	703:25:12	1703:56:24	2407:21:36
Driver Training	196:00:08	145:00:00	341:00:08
Fire Officer 1	1646:30:00	0:00:00	1646:30:00
Fire Officer 2	0:00:00	0:00:00	0:00:00
Fire Officer 3	0:00:00	0:00:00	0:00:00
First Responder	381:13:20	26:00:00	407:13:20
Fitness	0:00:00	0:00:00	0:00:00
General Knowledge and Skill	48:50:08	32:10:00	81:00:08
Geography	20:30:00	0:00:00	20:30:00
HAZMAT	323:40:16	87:00:00	410:40:16
Health and Safety	8:00:00	6:00:00	14:00:00
Ice Rescue	0:00:00	0:00:00	0:00:00
Meeting	0:00:00	20:30:00	20:30:00
Probationary Training	94:50:00	121:00:00	215:50:00
Recruit Training	720:45:00	1118:00:12	1838:45:12
Rescue Task Force	202:30:00	170:00:00	372:30:00
Return To Work	184:15:00	53:00:00	237:15:00
Technical Rescue	195:30:00	192:50:12	388:20:12
Water Rescue	0:00:00	0:00:00	0:00:00
Watercraft	2:30:00	0:00:00	2:30:00
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2. COMMUNITY OUTREACH INITIATIVES

2.1 Community Engagements

Event Type: School Visits

Date: January - February

Detail: • 9 com

• 9 compete schools finished with full school presentations

• Approx. 120 kids per presentation

• Assembly style format

• K-3 and 4-7



Event BCAT (Burnaby Community Action Team)

Type:

Date: On-going

Monthly meetings with Updates to the numbers of Overdoses 2025

	January	December	November
Total Medical Emergencies	926	845	858
Total Overdose Incidents	14	20	14
% of Medicals that are Overdose Incidents	1.51	2.37	1.63
Number of Naloxone Interventions	3	4	2
Number of Naloxone Doses Administered	5	9	3

Event Type: Abandoned camp clean-up

Date: January - February

Detail: • 19 abandoned camps

• 10 flat RV's

Event Type: Fire Investigation Meeting FPOABC Director Zone 2

Date: Jan 28,2025

Detail: • Fire investigation discussion

• Training requirements

PPE overview

• Discussions & case studies

Future planning

Event Encampment visits 7600 Halifax Street

Type:

Date: February

Detail:

• 4 - Person cutting trees and building cabin

• Camp / Log Cabin removal (behind Firehall 4)

 Clean-Up of building materials stored along the south/east corner of golf course.





• Removal of existing log cabin and log canopy structure.

Event Community Outreach – Warming the Homeless Kits

Type:

Date: January - February

Detail:

 Handed out warming kits on the fire trucks and in the FPO cars for the homeless in the winter and cold time zones



2.2 Recruitment Engagements

N/A

Conclusion

Thank you for the time and effort you spend referencing and utilizing this report in support of advancing the public safety of the City of Burnaby.

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