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October 19, 2023



# Quarterly Update

*Joseph Hillhouse, Deputy Fire Chief*

# Mission, Vision, Values



A Great Place  
to Live &  
Experience

To protect and serve through community involvement, education, prevention, and rapid intervention by professionals committed to excellence.



Resilient  
Local  
Economy



Equitable  
Community

Gainesville Fire Rescue will be recognized as the model of excellence by the provision of our services



More  
Sustainable  
Community



"Best in Class"  
Neighbor  
Services

**R**esponsible, **A**ccountable, **P**rofessional, **I**nnovative, and **D**edicated

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# Community Involvement



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# Community Health Improvement Plan



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- Decrease overdose recidivism
- Increase community partnerships
- GPD Co-Responder Program
- Increase the number of certified car seat technicians
- Accessible dental care
- Increase primary care compliance for CRP – Chronic Disease patients
- Add healthy afternoons at the fire stations programming





# Community Health Happenings



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## ***Initiatives/Projects:***

- One Nation One Project GNV
- Gainesville Overdose Prevention Plan Project
- County Community Health Improvement Plan Team
- Treatment for Individuals Experiencing Homelessness Grant
- Department Wellness Survey

## ***Events:***

- EHEDI Groundbreaking
- Gun Violence Summit – Day 2
- ONOP Summer 2023 Event
- International Overdose Awareness Day





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# Community Resource Paramedicine Program

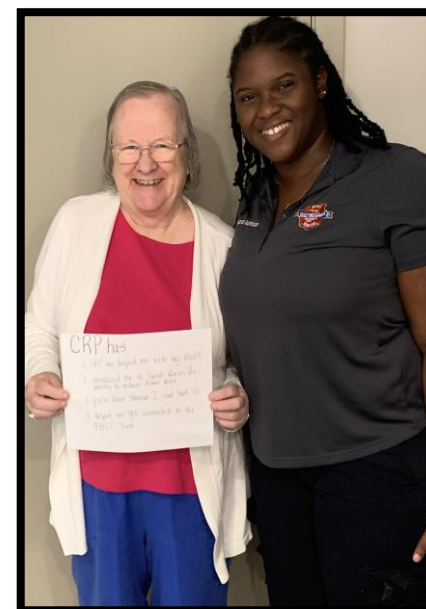


## By the Numbers: June – August 2023

- Referrals: **110**
- Graduated Patients: **5**
- Community Engagement Events: **16**
- Most Frequent Referral Source: **GFR**
- Area of City with Highest PT Residence: **NW**
- Professional Development/Trainings: **6**
- New Community Partners: **9**
- Internship Hours: **946**

## Updates:

- Hiring process for Responder I and II vacancies
- Ongoing team trainings with the Southeast Rural Opioid Technical Assistance Regional Center









# *EQUITY*



SAMHSA's Treatment for Individuals Experiencing Homelessness (TIEH) program expands access to mental and substance use disorders treatment for people experiencing homelessness along with a serious mental illness, serious emotional disturbance, or co-occurring disorders.

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# EQUITY

## Homeless Response System Interventions

### PREVENT HOMELESSNESS



#### TARGETED PREVENTION

One-time and short-term prevention assistance for highest risk

#### DIVERSION

Immediate problem-solving and resources to avoid shelter

### RESPOND TO HOMELESSNESS



#### STREET OUTREACH

Individualized engagement and connection to housing assistance and services

#### TEMPORARY HOUSING

Emergency shelter, transitional housing, interim housing

### END HOMELESSNESS



#### SHORT/MEDIUM-TERM REHOUSING

Individualized housing search/placement and time-limited financial assistance and stabilization services

#### PERMANENT HOUSING

Permanent supportive housing and other dedicated permanent housing assistance with ongoing services



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# *Education*



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# *Public Education*



- **143+** activities
- **12,864** Neighbor contacts
- **94** Free smoke alarms installed
- **34** car seats installed

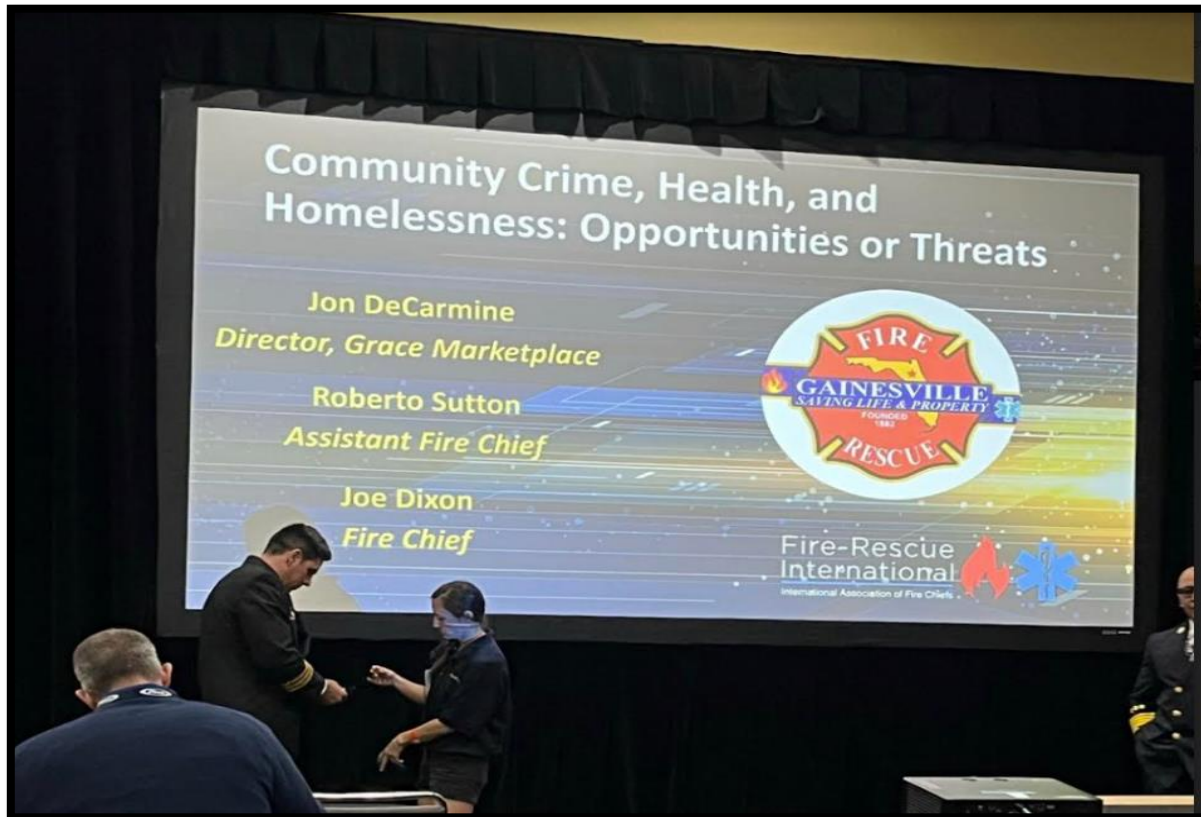
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# Leading the Way



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**WINS!!!**

- **Mount Pleasant United Methodist Church presented Chief Dixon award honoring first responders**
- **Presentation to International Association of Fire Chiefs at Fire Rescue International - "Community Crime, Health, and Homelessness" – August 2023**
- **Presentation to EMS World - "From Handshake Partnerships to the Executive Team – How Successful Grassroots Community Paramedicine Launched a City's Role in Public Health" - Sept. 2023**

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# Prevention



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# *Risk Reduction*

- **735+** Fire safety inspections
- **1,332** Safety violations corrected
- **3,696** Buildings inspected
- Over **26M** sf inspected
- **199** after hours in bar/nightclub

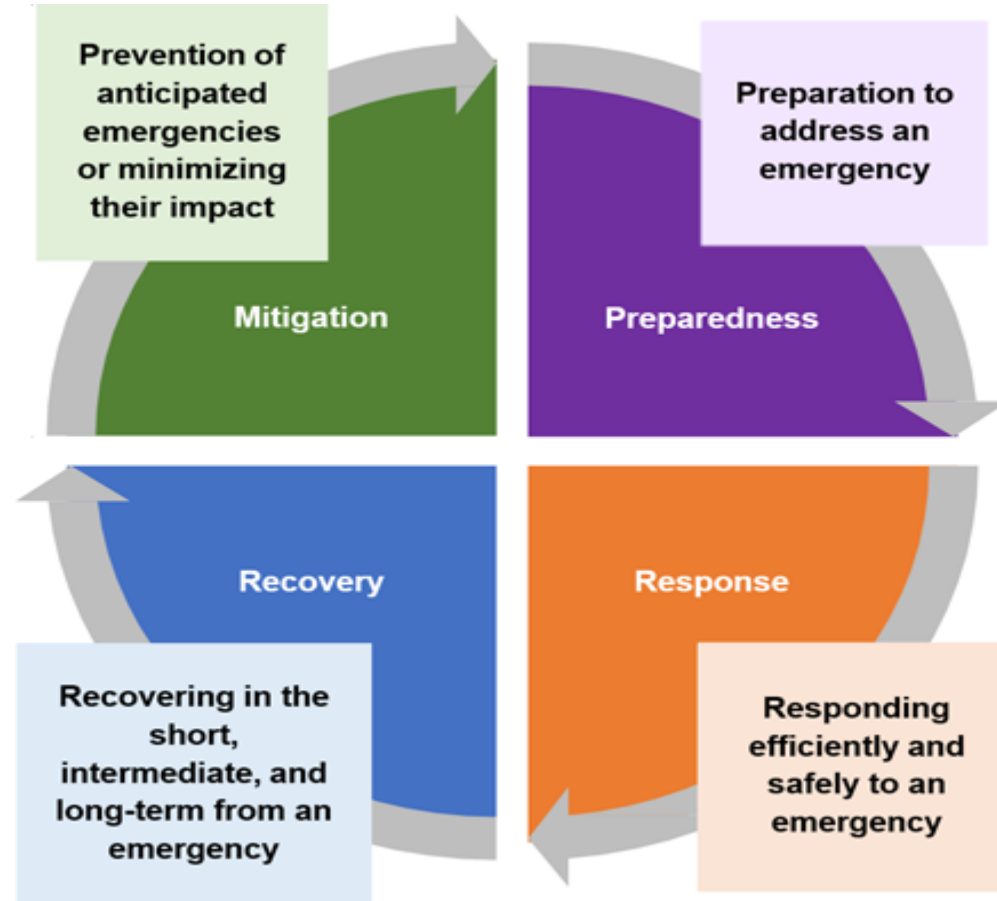
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# Emergency Management



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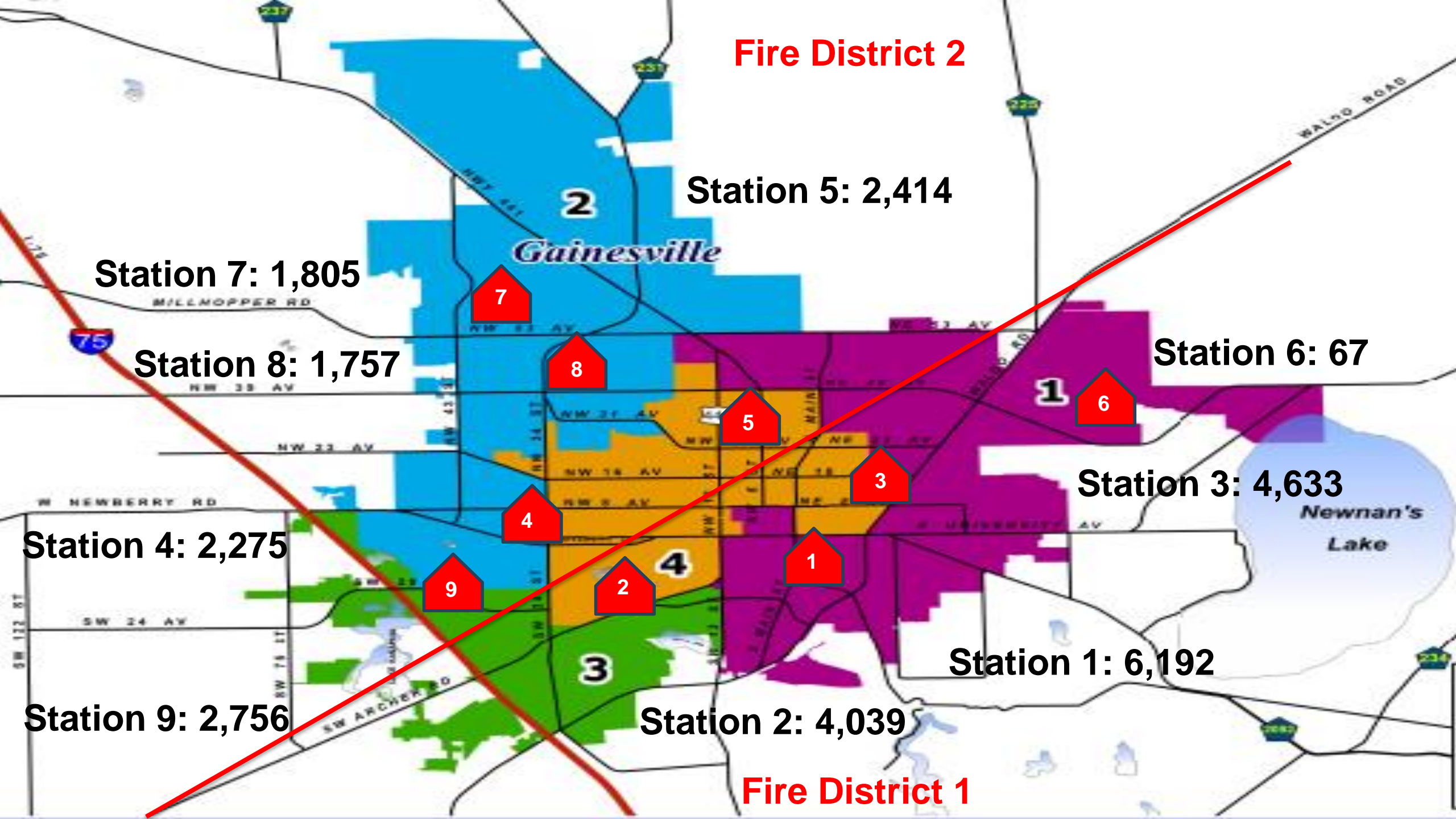
# *Rapid Intervention*



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# Total Calls FY23 by Category

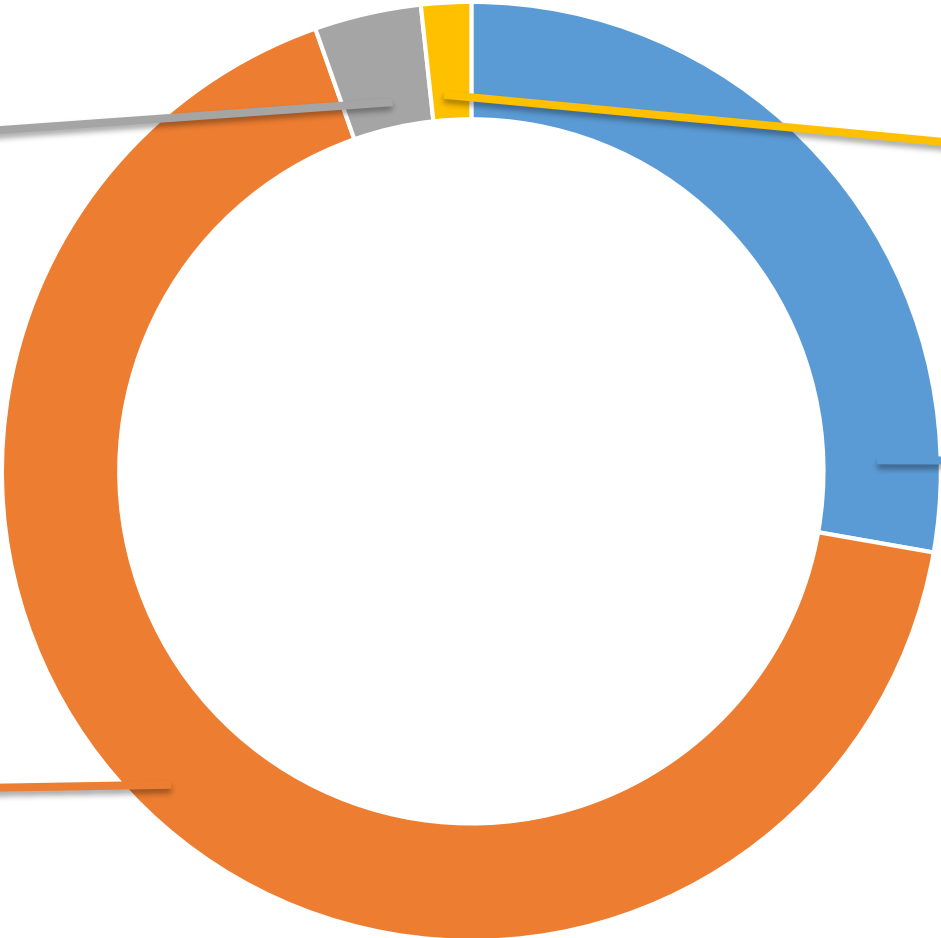


**Rescue -  
953**

**Special  
Hazard - 446**

**Fire - 7,202**

**EMS -  
17,337**



■ Fire ■ EMS ■ Rescue ■ Special Hazard

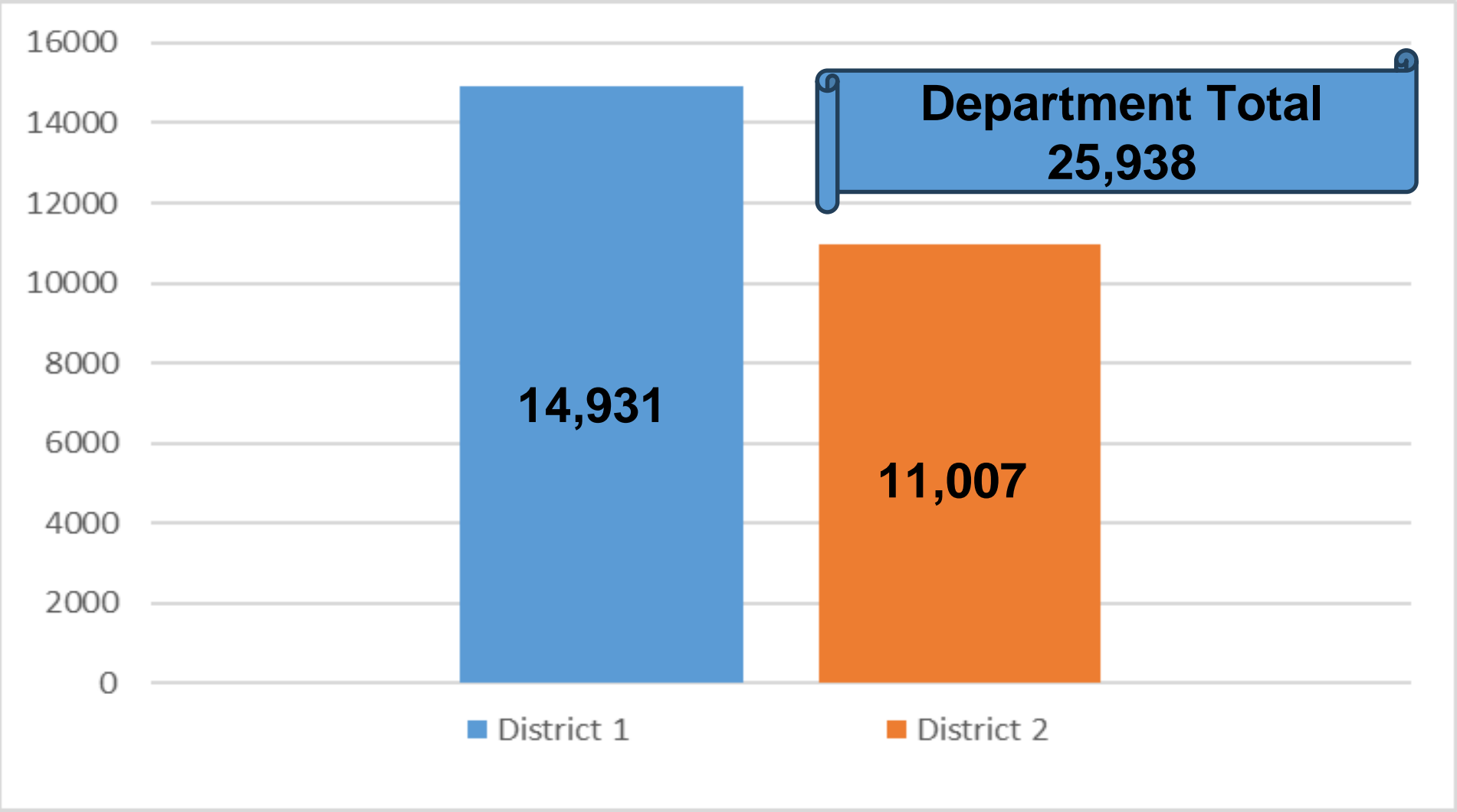


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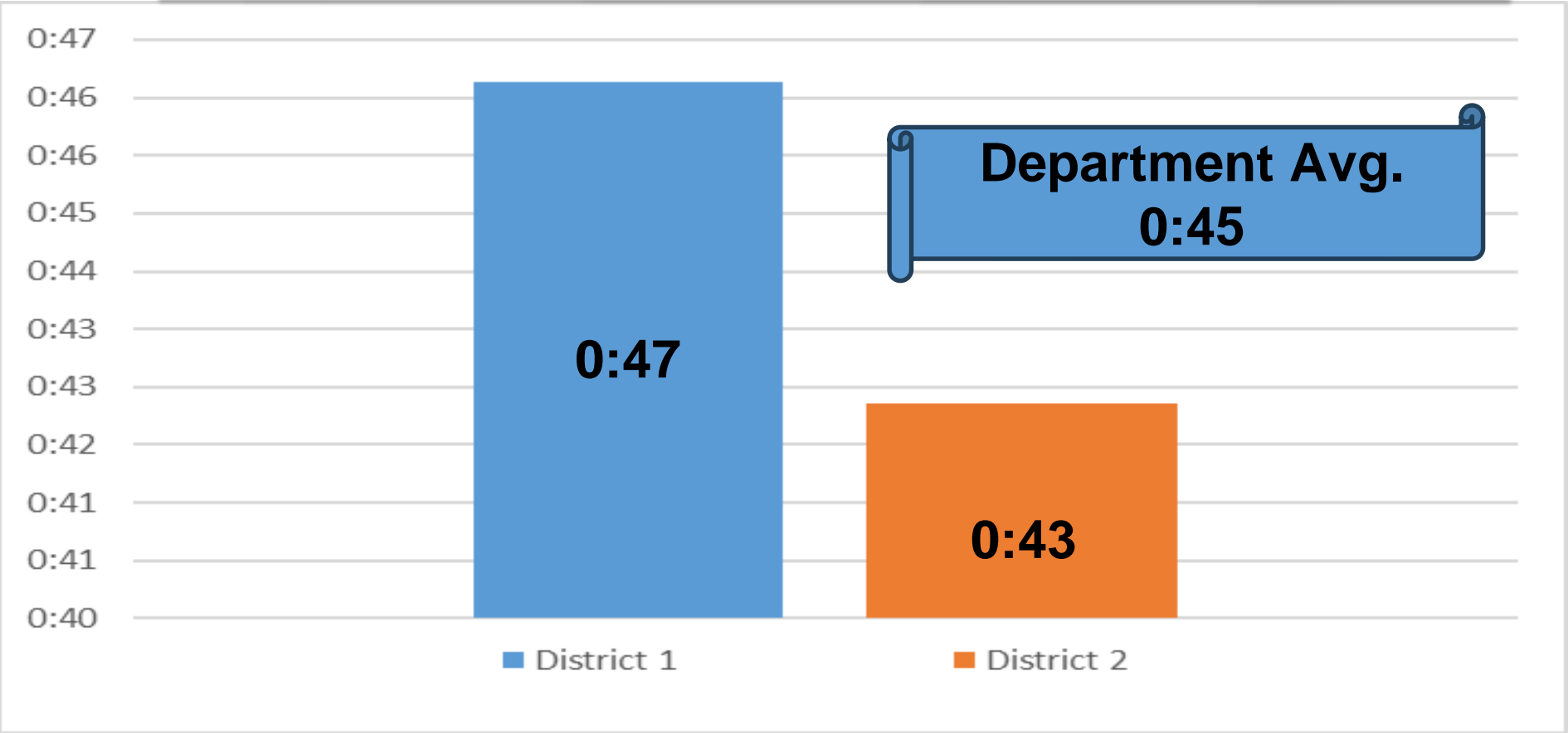
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# Turnout FY23



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National Standard: 60 sec. EMS / 120 sec. Fire

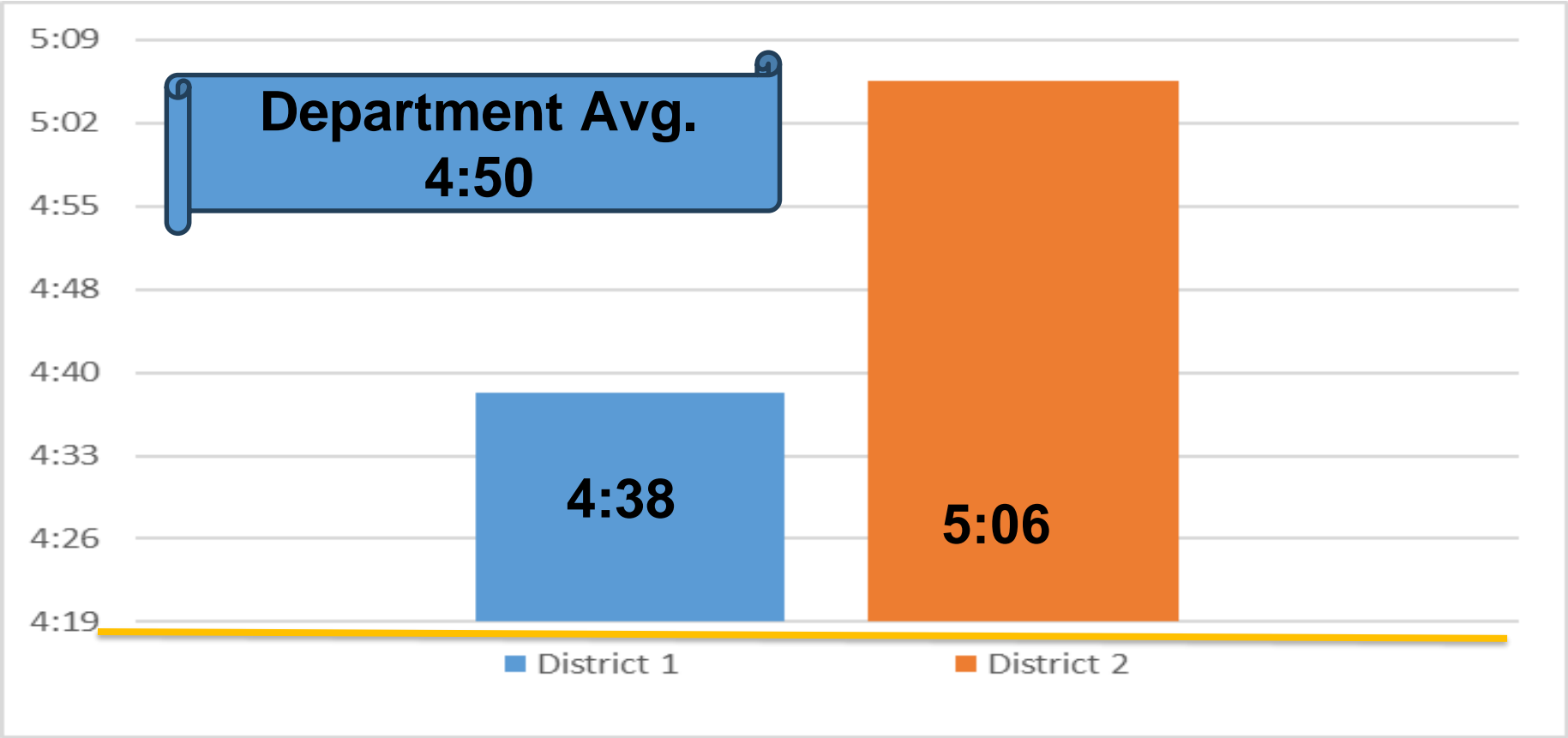


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# Travel Time FY23



National Standard: 4 mins



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# *Professionals Committed to Excellence*



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An ISO rating of 2 means your home is at a lower risk for serious fire damage. Home insurance companies offer lower rates if you have a good ISO rating because a well-prepared fire department should be able to put out a house fire more quickly.

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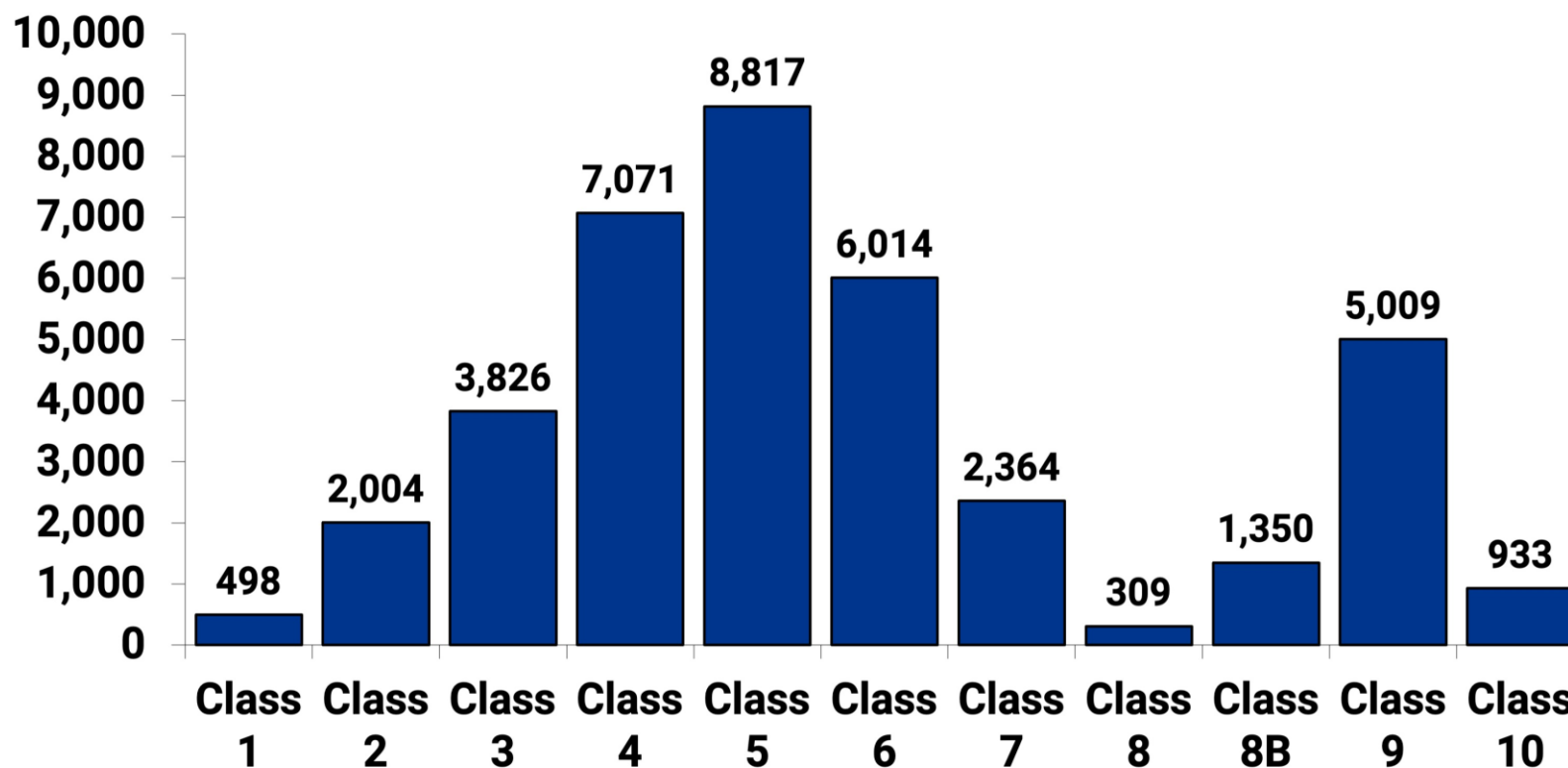




## Countrywide



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# Thank you!



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