

Protective Services Update

Manager Protective Services / Fire Chief



Purpose

Provide an overview of the Protective Services Department activities in 2024.

Protective Service Staffing Levels

- Manager of Protective Services / Fire Chief
- Emergency Services Team
 - 2 - Deputy Fire Chiefs
 - 14 - full-time fire fighters
 - 77 - Paid-On-Call (POC) firefighters across the 5 County Fire Stations.
- Enforcement Services Team
 - 1 - Enforcement Supervisor (Peace Officer)
 - 1 - Enforcement Team Lead (Peace Officer)
 - 6 - Peace Officers
 - 2 - Animal Control Officers
 - Safe Communities Facilitator
- SREMP Coordinator

Collaborations

- **Provide Fire Services:**

- Bon Accord
- Redwater
- Legal
- Summer Villages of Sunrise and Sandy Beach

- **Sturgeon County fire service partnerships:**

- Morinville
- Gibbons

- **Provide Enforcement Services:**

- Bon Accord
- Legal
- Summer Village of Sandy Beach

- **Animal Control Contracts:**

- Edmonton Humane Society
- Second Chance Animal Rescue Society
- Parkland County

2024 Successes

- New tower apparatus purchased and operational
- Safe Communities Facilitator
- Launch of Fire Master Plan project
- Several joint exercises with industry
- Fire Service Awards
- Fire Prevention Week
- Expansion of Disaster Response Training
- Establishment of Critical Incident Stress Peer Group



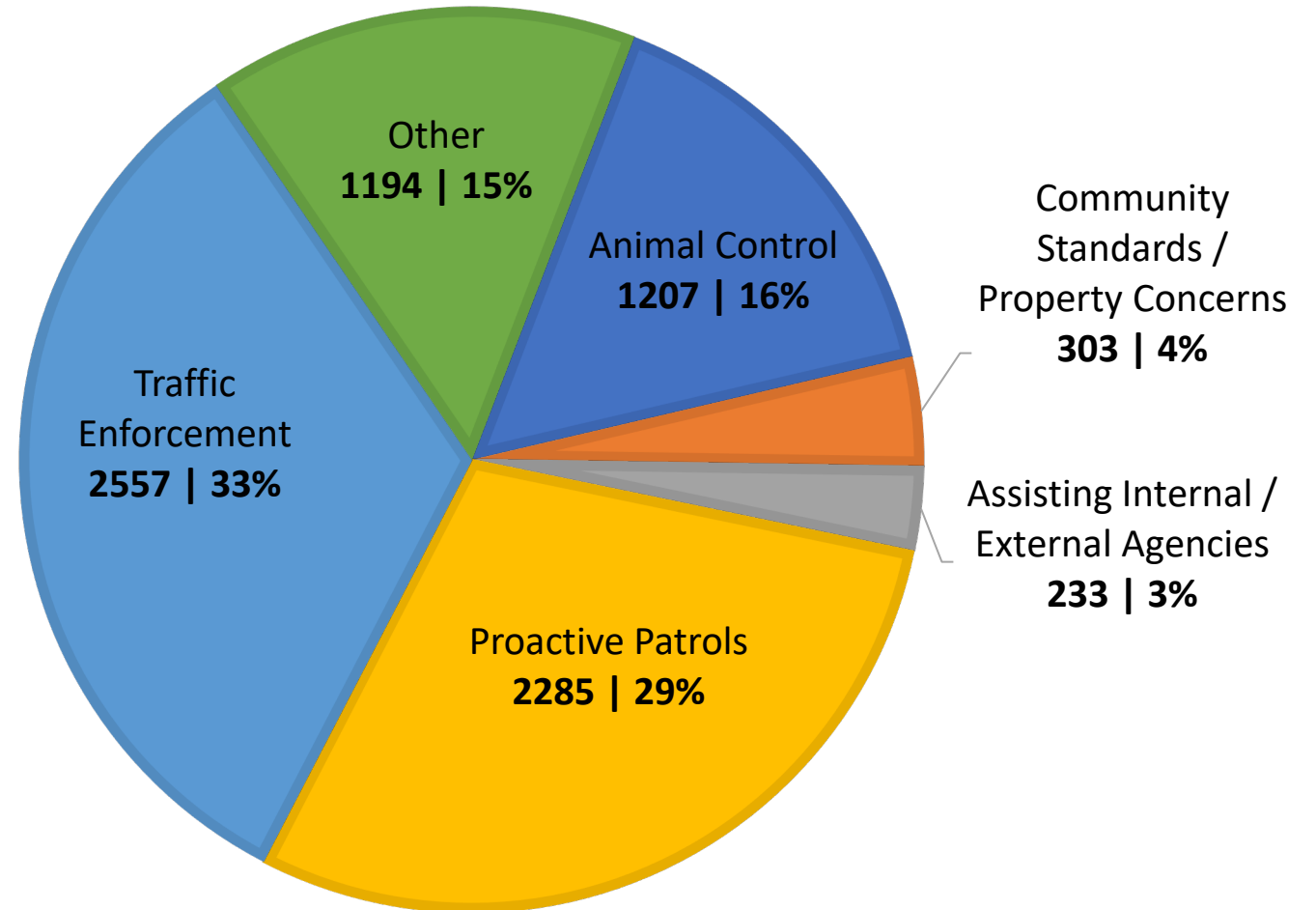
Enforcement Services 2024

Total incidents
reported

7,779



NUMBER OF INCIDENTS BY TYPE



Enforcement Citations 2024

Total citations issued

1,865

Total fine amount

\$254,129

Citations by offence type



Speeding

888



Other traffic violations

494



Failing to obey traffic lights or signs

160



Other bylaw offences

102



Community standards-related offences

86



Animal-related offences

135



Rural Crime

- **Work with RCMP**

- Morinville Detachment – Services 80% of Sturgeon County
- Redwater Detachment – Services 15% of Sturgeon County
- Fort Saskatchewan Detachment – Services 5% of Sturgeon County

- **Proactive Patrols**

- Over 2285 proactive patrols conducted in 2024
- Covers rural areas, industrial parks and natural areas

- **Safe Communities Facilitator**

- Conducted numerous public engagements, education sessions, workshops, and built partnerships with external organizations.

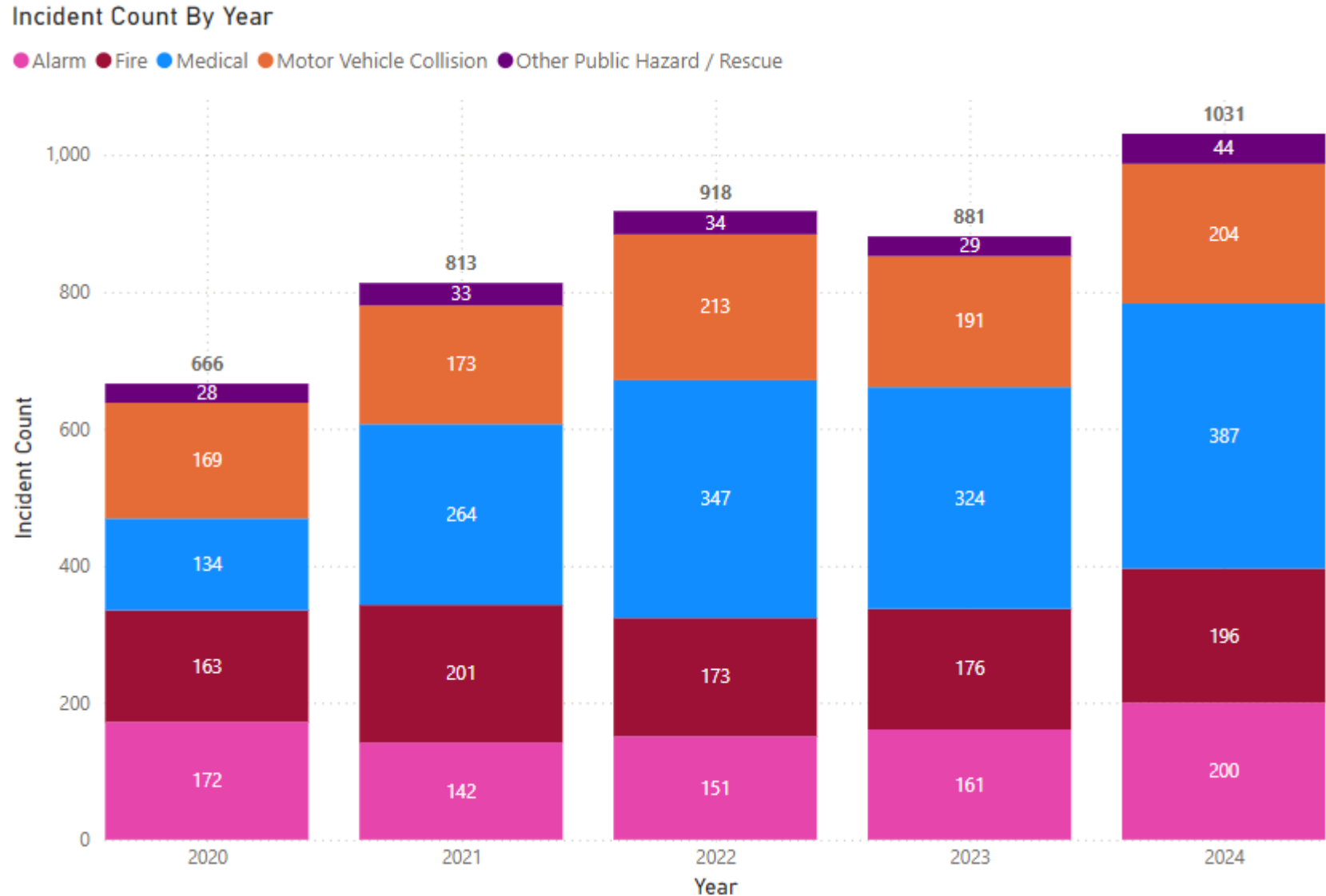
Enforcement Services Challenges

- Resource Allocation & Prioritization
- Public Perception and Access to Enforcement
- Managing Public and Stakeholder Expectations
- Vehicle & Technology Integration and Management

Emergency Services 2024

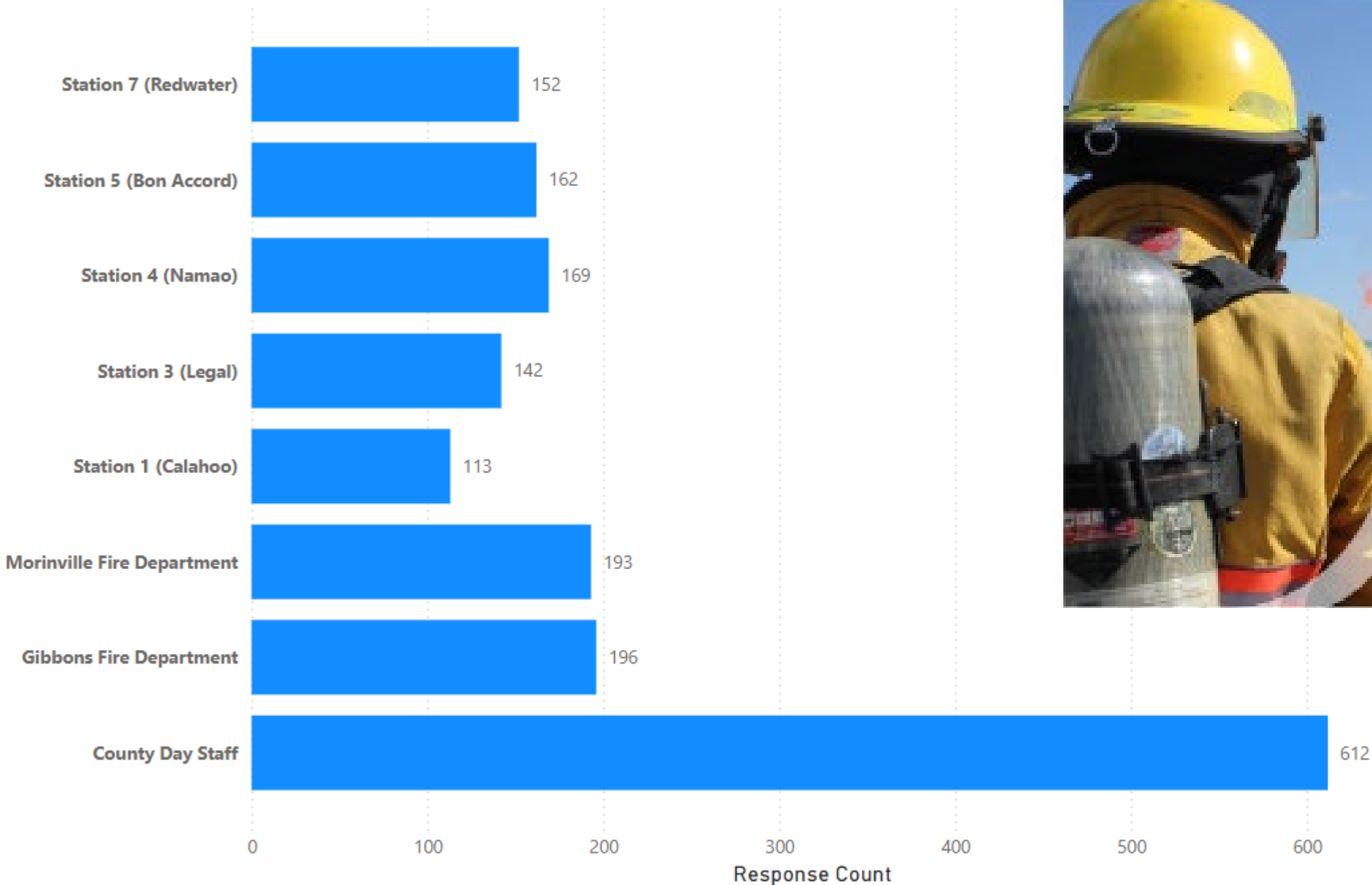
1031 Emergency Incidents in 2024

- Highest year on record
- 809 occurred in Sturgeon County
- Consisted of 1739 responses from stations and full-time crews



Fire Station Activity 2024

Incident Responses By Station



Comparison: 2023 to 2024

Activity	2023	2024	Trend
Fire Number of Incidents	881	1031	↑
Fire Number of Responses	1469	1739	↑
Fire Permits/Fireworks	2189	2380	↑
Enforcement Total Incidents Reported	8444	7779	↓
Enforcement Total Number of Citations	2118	1865	↓
Enforcement Total Fine Amount	\$280,253.00	\$254,129	↓

Emergency Services Challenges

- Firefighter recruitment and retention
- Daytime response capacity
- Increase development and evolving hazards
- Increasing Incident volume
- Infrastructure challenges with aging fire stations
- Organizational capacity to support growth

Protective Services 2025 Initiatives

- Fire Master Plan
- Enforcement Services operational review
- Safe Communities Facilitator pilot continuation
- Critical Incident Stress Peer Group Development
- Review and update of mutual-aid agreements with neighbouring municipalities.
- Expanded emergency management training and exercises as part of regional partnership.



Thank You
