

**MOORHEAD FIRE  
DIVISIONS  
2004  
ANNUAL REPORT**



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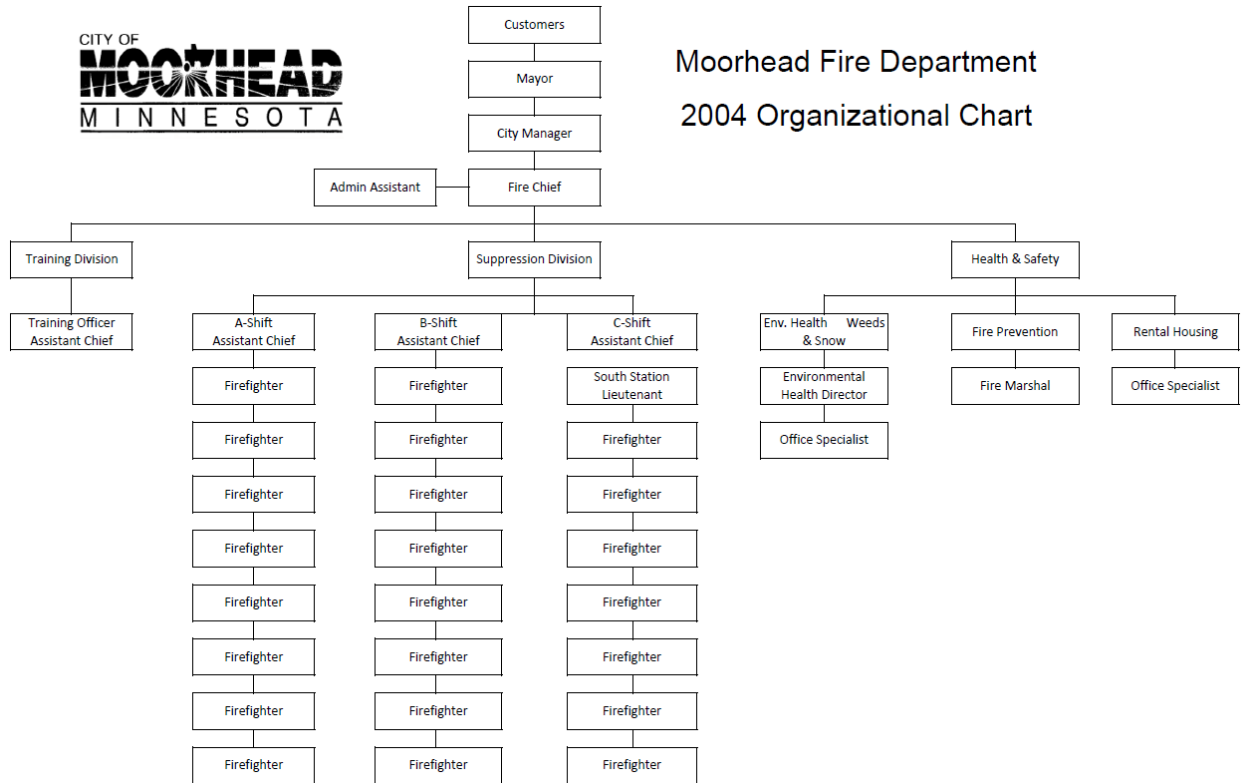
## **Moorhead Fire Department Mission Statement**

The mission of Moorhead Fire & Rescue is to save lives and property from hostile fire, medical emergencies, hazardous materials incidents, and natural disasters in the most effective and efficient manner.

These protective services will include fire suppression, fire prevention, public education, inspection and plan review, and fire cause determination.

It is our intention that resources will be equally available to all citizens for the well-being of our community.

# ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



# STAFFING REPORT

## RETIRED

## HIRED



**Marty Soeth**  
Fire Chief  
5/1/62 – 1/5/04



**Gail Nelson**  
Rental Housing  
7/15/87 – 5/12/04



**Terry Beach**  
Assistant Chief  
7/15/75 – 7/30/04



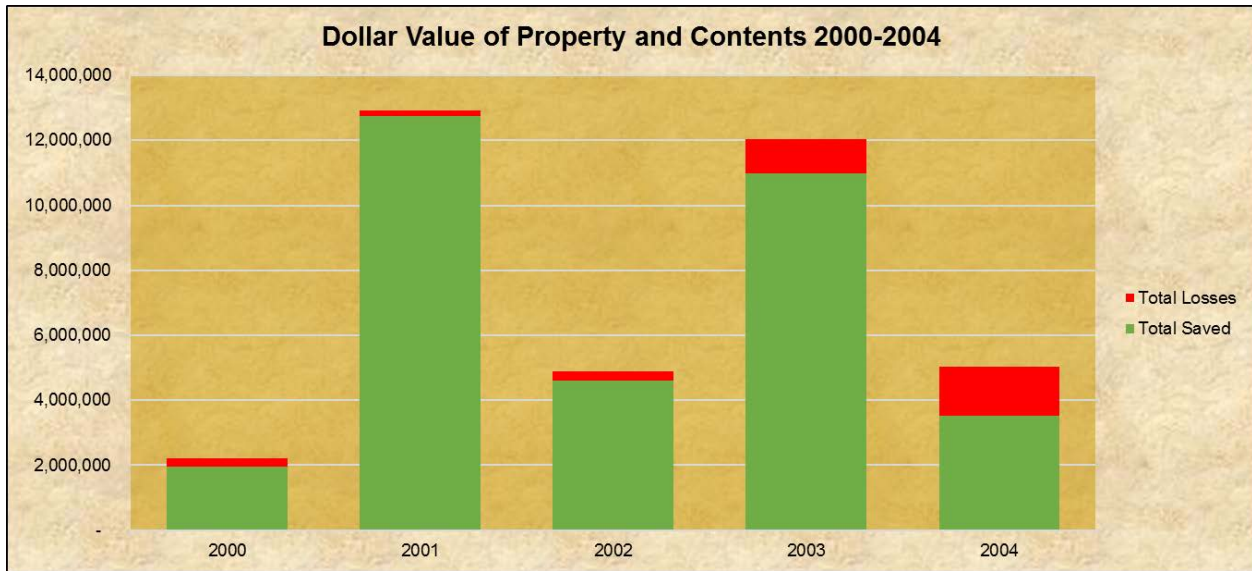
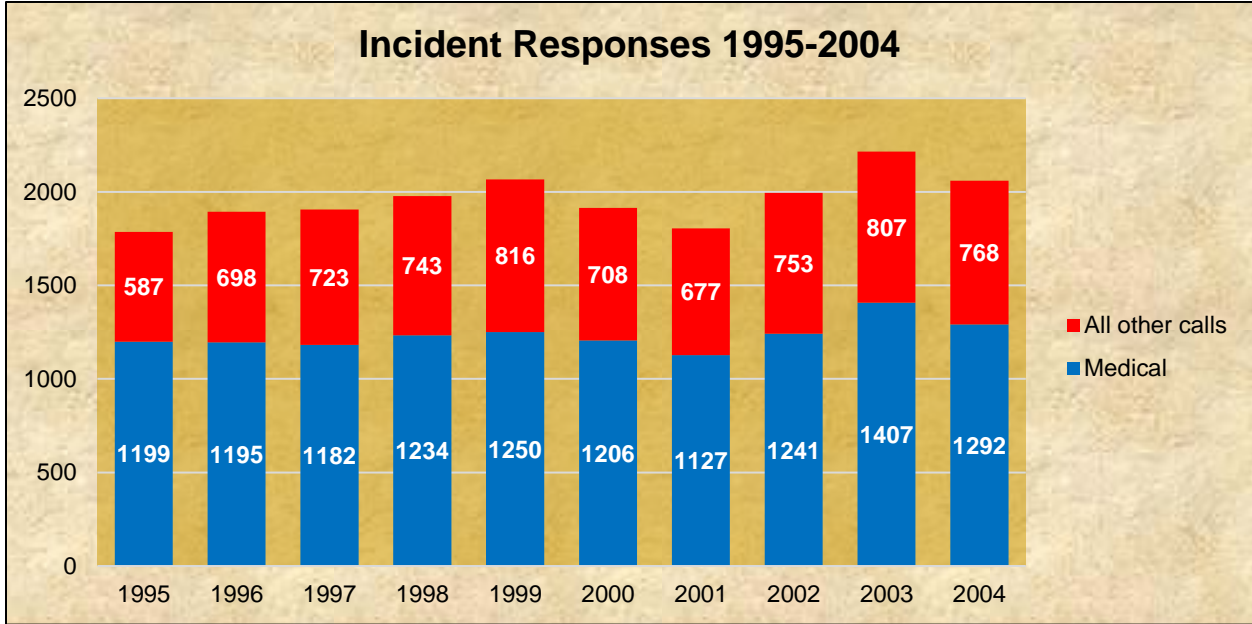
**Joel Hewitt**  
Fire Chief  
7/1/04



**Trent Amundsen**  
Firefighter  
10/6/04

# SUPPRESSION REPORT

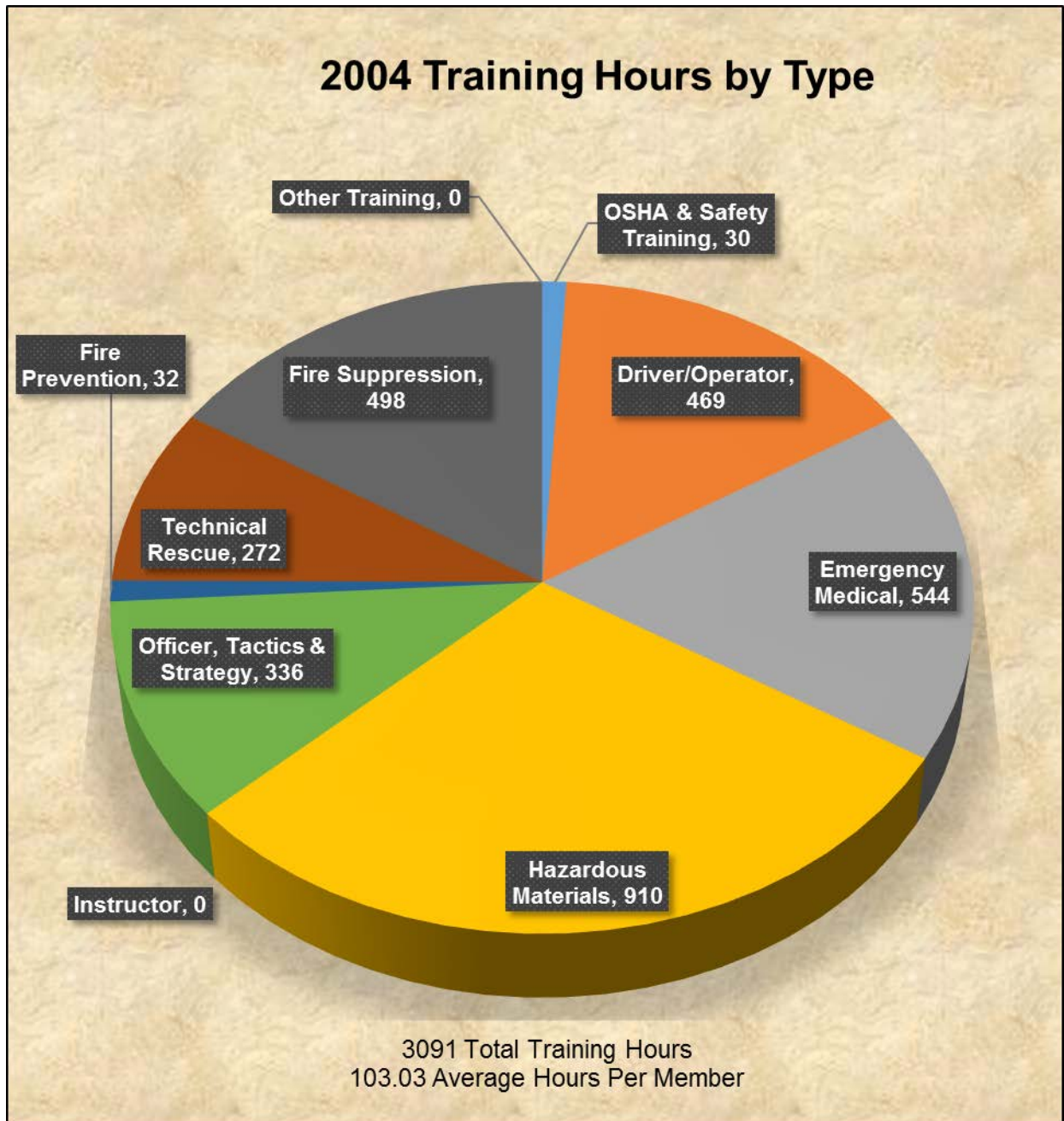
There were 2,060 emergency responses in 2004. This is a decrease of 6.96%, as compared to the total of 2,214 in 2003. The stacked bar graph below represents the 10-year trend of our incidents. More detailed incident response information may be found in the NFPA report at the end of this annual report.



Year	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Total Losses	254,810	162,038	300,175	1,054,120	1,523,290
Total Value	2,208,660	12,915,794	4,899,225	12,029,520	5,043,450
Total Saved	1,953,850	12,753,756	4,599,050	10,975,400	3,520,160

# TRAINING REPORT

In 2004 we completed 3091 total contact hours of training across the many disciplines required to maintain our proficiency and ability to respond to the variety of hazards that face our community.



# NFPA REPORT

The following are the applicable statistical sections of the 2004 NFPA report that are used by the Moorhead Fire Department.

## NATIONAL FIRE PROTECTION ASSOCIATION FIRE EXPERIENCE REPORT

### MOORHEAD FIRE DEPARTMENT

January 2004 to December 2004

#### Part II: MAJOR FIRES

Date	Name of Occupant or Owner, Property Use, and Address	Number of Civilian Fire Deaths	Property Loss
2/12/2004	RUSTAN, BRAD 1 or 2 family dwelling 902 23RD AVE S	0	\$110,000.00
11/2/2004	1 or 2 family dwelling 1311 S 3 AVE	2	\$105,000.00
12/24/2004	Multifamily dwelling 1114 27TH AVE S	0	\$897,267.00

#### Part IV: BREAKDOWN OF FALSE ALARM RESPONSES

Types of False Alarm	Number of Incidents
1. Malicious, Mischievous False Call	24
2. System Malfunction	50
3. Unintentional	258
4. Other False Alarm	7

#### Part V: INTENTIONALLY SET FIRES IN STRUCTURES AND VEHICLES

	Number Of Fires	Number of Civilian Fire Casualties		Estimated Property Damage
		Deaths	Injuries	
1. Structure Fires Intentionally Set	2	0	0	\$1,100.00
2. Vehicle Fires Intentionally Set	0	0	0	\$0.00

**Part III: BREAKDOWN OF STRUCTURE FIRES AND OTHER FIRES AND INCIDENTS**

A. Fires In Structures By Fixed Property Use (Occupancy) (all in Section A are Incident Type 110-129)	Number Of Fires	Number of Civilian Fire Casualties		Estimated Property Damage
		Deaths	Injuries	
1. Private Dwellings	11	2	0	\$263,600.00
2. Apartments	7	0	0	\$939,267.00
3. Hotels and Motels	0	0	0	\$0.00
4. All Other Residential	1	0	0	\$10,673.00
5. TOTAL RESIDENTIAL FIRES	19	2	0	\$1,213,540.00
6. Public Assembly	2	0	0	\$102,000.00
7. Schools and Colleges	4	0	0	\$0.00
8. Health Care/Penal Institutions	0	0	0	\$0.00
9. Stores and Offices	0	0	0	\$0.00
10. Industry/Utility/Defense/Labs/Manufacturing	1	0	0	\$0.00
11. Storage in Structures	0	0	0	\$0.00
12. Other Structures	1	0	0	\$500.00
13. TOTAL STRUCTURE FIRES	27	2	0	\$1,316,040.00
14a. Highway Vehicles	16	0	0	\$124,250.00
14b. Other Vehicles	2	0	0	\$75,200.00
15. Non-Structure/Non-Vehicle	3	0	0	\$7,500.00
16. Brush/Grass/Wildland	6	0		
17. Rubbish/Dumpsters	13	0		
18. All Other Fires	2	0	0	\$300.00
19. TOTAL FOR FIRES	69	2	0	\$1,523,290.00
20. Rescue/Emergency Medical Responses	1,291			
21. False Alarms	339			
22. Mutual Aid Given	2			
23a. Hazmat Responses	45			
23b. Other Hazardous Responses	24			
24. All Other Responses	290			
25. TOTAL FOR ALL INCIDENTS	2,060			

	Number of Confined Fires	Number of Nonconfined Fires
5. Residential Fires (line 5 above)	3	16
13. Structure Fires (line 13 above)	8	19

# 2004 NOTES

- Other Staff at Fire Annex
  - Lynn Brown - Start date: 02/08/1999
  - Len Dusek - Start date: 11/01/1999
  - Gail Nelson - Start date: 07/15/87 – retired on 05/12/2004
  - Daniel Castenada – Start date: 02/26/2001
- Fire Prevention Week October 3 – 9, 2004
- Joe Gaughan served as Acting Chief between Soeth's retirement and the hiring of Hewitt
- Main Avenue Bridge Opening
- Moorhead Fire Department Honor Guard was formed. Commander Lt. Rich Eggert and members Dean Bloch, Bert McDonough, Steve LaFlamme, Rich Duysen, Jason Dewar, Rob Kari, Jeff Wallin, and Joel Hewitt
- Chad Stangeland appointed the Hazmat Team Coordinator in 2004
- Grants:
  - FEMA Grant – Awarded \$86,400.00 for purchase of 24 SCBAs
  - Wal-Mart – Awarded \$500.00 for purchase of smoke detectors
  - Wal-Mart – Awarded \$500.00 for purchase of turnout gear
  - Hazmat
    - (State of Minnesota Professional and Technical Services Contract)
    - Two Year Contract: 07/01/2003 through 06/30/2005 at \$45,000.00 per year
    - 1<sup>st</sup> Year: 07/01/2003 – 06/30/2004 - \$45,000.00
    - 2<sup>nd</sup> Year: 07/01/2004 – 06/30/2005 - \$45,000.00



*Chief Hewitt  
installed at City  
Council Meeting*



*Dan Oldham  
rappelling down  
Nelson Hall at  
MSUM during  
technical rescue  
training.*