

# **SHARED SERVICES HIGHLIGHTS**

To provide the closest available emergency resources in 2025...

- the MFD responded to 1,724 calls to neighboring Shared Services communities
- the MFD received assistance into the City of Milwaukee 2,899 times

The MFD in collaboration with its Shared Services partners and Milwaukee County Office of Emergency Management started a program to carry live blood products on paramedic units. This critical life-saving measure helped to increase the survivability rate for traumatic injury patients.

## **NOTABLE RESPONSES**

- **May 11:** Companies responded to the Highland Court apartments at 2725 West Highland Boulevard which resulted in a 5<sup>th</sup> alarm assignment rescuing 30 + trapped tenants inside the 85-unit apartment building. Unfortunately, five tenants perished during the fire. Our Shared Services partners responded to the scene to assist with the fire and further, backfilled several empty MFD firehouses. In addition, resources from Waukesha County also backfilled empty firehouses.
- **August 10:** Severe rainstorms dumped almost a foot of rain onto the city. This caused an incredible number of flooded autos with trapped occupants, wires down, flooded structures, along with two significant structure fires at the same time. The MFD and its Shared Services partners ran a coordinated response effort to address the myriads of calls both in the city and county. Ozaukee, Racine, and Waukesha counties also sent resources to assist in responses for service calls (carbon monoxide calls, electrical hazards, gas leaks, water leaks, and wires down).
- **October 27 to November 21:** The MFD and its Shared Services partners were able to train together at the Wauwatosa Fire Department's Joint Fire Training Academy. Evolutions under live fire conditions were used while firefighters honed their skills in rescuing downed and trapped firefighters.
- **November 8:** The MFD hosted an ambulance deployment exercise near Mitchell International Airport. Medical resources from Kenosha, Ozaukee, Racine, Walworth and Waukesha counties deployed as convoys to Milwaukee. This exercise helped to strengthen mutual aid partnerships outside of Milwaukee County.

The MFD and its partners continually tour and train at Mitchell International Airport for responses involving both the airport and aircraft. Collaborative partnerships with the Milwaukee County Fire Department, Coast Guard, Milwaukee Police Department, Milwaukee County Sheriff's Department, and DNR reinforce the necessary planning, logistics, and coordination to address aircraft emergencies (both on land and over water). In the spring, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Battalion companies along with their Shared Services partners on the south side were able to train inside the old 440<sup>th</sup> Airlift Wing buildings prior to demolition providing a valuable training ground for flat roof operations, long hose line lead-outs, and downed firefighter drills.