



WEST MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT

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TO: West Manchester Township Board of Supervisors
Kelly Kelch, Township Manager
FROM: Clifton Laughman, Fire Chief
DATE: January 13, 2026
SUBJECT: December 2025 Monthly Report

The WMTFD ended 2025 with 1,232 calls for service. This is a 3.75% decrease in call volume from 2024. Our slowest month for call volume was February with 78 calls for service and our busiest month for calls for service was July with 120 calls for service. Please take some time to read the annual report that will be published later this month that showcases all aspects of the department during 2025.

I am extremely proud of the job that the members have done this past year and couldn't have asked for a better team.

Below is the December 2025 report for the January 2026 West Manchester Township Board of Supervisors meeting.

TOWNSHIP EMERGENCY RESPONSES

Type of Response	Total	Percentage	YTD	2024
Fire	10	9.90%	160	168
Over Pressure, Rupture, Explosion	2	1.98%	3	1
Rescue & Emergency Medical	37	36.63%	406	439
Hazardous Condition (No Fire)	14	13.86%	121	135
Service Call	9	8.91%	151	160
Good Intent Call	16	15.84%	130	102
False Alarm & False Call	13	12.87%	253	259
Severe Weather	0	0.00%	1	2
Special Incidents	0	0.00%	7	14
Totals	102	100.00%	1232	1280



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EMERGENCY RESPONSE CONTINUED

- There was a total of 641 personnel that responded to the incidents with an average of 8.01 per incident. (Average does not include Duty Officer & Fire Police Only Calls).
- Year to date, a total of 6,760 personnel responded to the incidents.
- We are at a 3.75% decrease in call volume from this time last year.

DEPARTMENT NEWS

- The new Heavy Rescue that was ordered in June of 2023 has finally hit the production line. Several production pictures have been sent to the Supervisors as well as posted on social media. As of this report the cab construction is complete and has been staged for painting prep. We will continue to provide updates as the construction process progresses.
- We have started putting together requirements and policies for the hiring of our part-time firefighters. I will provide copies of all documents once they are drafted for the board's review prior to starting the application process.

RECRUITMENT & RETENTION

During the January meeting we welcomed four (4) new members into the department:

- **Wyatt Zech** – Wyatt is the son of Toby Zech who recently became a member of the department several months ago. Wyatt heard a lot of positives from his dad and wanted to give the fire service a try.
- **Jade Smith** – Jade is the wife of Firefighter Matt Smith and was a firefighter at a previous department. She wants to get back into firefighting and since they recently moved into the Township she wanted to join the WMTFD.
- **Kendal Smith** – is the daughter of Firefighter Matt Smith and would like to join the WMTFD as a Junior Firefighter.

We ended the year bringing in 16 new members (11 Operational and 5 Social). Also during the year we lost 11 members (7 Operational and 4 Social). This leaves us with a net gain of 5 for 2025.



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VIOLATIONS

There was a total of six (6) warnings/violations given during the month of December for false fire alarms.

- December 2, 2025 – 535 Trinity Rd – Craig Residence
- December 9, 2025 – 1885 W Market St – Moses Service Center – 1st Warning
- December 14, 2025 – 1175 Carlisle Rd – Lowes – 3rd Violation
- December 18, 2025 – 1100 Bairs Rd – BAE Systems – 7th Violation
- December 23, 2025 – 415 Town Center Drive – West Manchester Town Center – 1st Violation
- December 27 – 2025 – 2000 Loucks Rd – Wyndham Garden Hotel – 6th Violation

COMMUNITY RISK & REDUCTION

There was a total of six (6) Community Risk & Reduction events during the month of December.

- December 8th – Smoke Detector Install – 28 Hagarman Drive
- December 13th – Secret Santa Gift Delivery
- December 20th & 21st – Santa Tour
- December 22nd – Fire Station Tour – Station 502
- December 23rd – Operation Giveback Gift Delivery
- December 30th – Fire Safety Survey – UPMC Memorial Hospital

MAINTENANCE

There were no maintenance needs other than minor miscellaneous repairs and preventative maintenance done in the month of December.