



La Crosse Fire Department

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Honorable Police & Fire Commission:

Please accept this month's attached report from the La Crosse Fire Department. As committed to in our department's Mission Statement, we continue to promote safety, reduce risks, and respond to calls for fire suppression, emergency medical services, and all-hazards rescue. We continue to strive to earn our community's trust through preparedness, professionalism, and dedicated to service.

Please find the following enclosed:

- Personnel Updates
- Department Highlights
- Training Updates

Respectfully Submitted,

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Personnel Changes:

- Current Department Staffing Status as of **December 31st:**

Department Staffing Summary		
	Total Approved	Current
Sworn	101	98
Civilian	15	13
	116	111



Department Highlights:

- LCFD took first place in The Salvation Army of La Crosse County's first annual Kettle Design Competition and raised \$1,326 during Red Kettle Season.

Notable Incidents:

- December 4th, LCFD was dispatched to a mobile home fire at Pineview Mobile Home Park. Crews were on scene within five minutes and the fire was contained within 15 minutes.
- December 7th, LCFD was dispatched to a structure fire at America's Best Value Inn on the north side. Thanks to the quick actions of the neighboring Kwik Trip Employees, our crews were able to arrive on scene and quickly extinguish the fire. No one was injured or displaced, and the hotel remained open. *(pictured right)*
- December 9th, LCFD was dispatched to a two-short triplex on Rose Street that reported to be on fire. Firefighters facing heavy fire and smoke conditions rescued one individual from the first floor and made sure other residents were evacuated. One resident on the first floor was found deceased and the resident who was rescued passed away one day later. The incident remains under investigation.
- December 24th, LCFD was dispatched to a house on the North side where they found a small fire burning in the first-floor wall. A resident had used a heating appliance to thaw a frozen pipe that was the source of the fire. Crews quickly extinguished the fire and it was contained to the room of origin.





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Division of Training and Professional Standards Summary

December 2022—Ice Rescue Training



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