



# ROCHESTER FIRE DEPARTMENT

Station 23

*Proudly Serving the Borough of Rochester, Borough of East Rochester, and Township of Rochester*

2023 brought great successes and challenges to the Rochester Fire Department (RFD), but overall, we consider it another successful year for the history books. In 2023, we were fortunate enough to welcome three (3) new members into our department. All three of these members have already proven to be great assets to our organization. Without the tireless hard work and dedication of our volunteers, and the endless support of our community and neighbors, we would not have been able to make 2023 another successful year. In 2023, the RFD responded to 363 calls for service and provided nearly 2,813 man-hours of service to the community. Coming into 2024, our number one priority is still to provide you with top-tier service at a moment's notice!

The RFD strives to provide the residents, merchants, and visitors of the Rochester Area with a fully trained, staffed, equipped, and efficient fire department to meet all the public safety needs of the community. To achieve this, we are again asking for assistance to help provide the type of fire protection that the community so justly deserves by making a tax-deductible donation to the Rochester Fire Department of \$24.00, only \$2.00 a month, and returning it in the envelope provided. Alternatively, online donations, with a credit card, can be made by visiting [www.RochesterFD.com](http://www.RochesterFD.com). Any amount that can be donated is greatly appreciated and will help the Department's efforts.

In addition to fundraising, the RFD continues to seek grant funding to offset anticipated future expenses. In 2023, the RFD was fortunate to have received grants from the Office of The State Fire Commissioner towards the debt reduction of a pickup truck that was purchased in 2020. We also utilized funding from the FEMA Assistance to Firefighters Grant to purchase 30 new Scott Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA), replacing our existing SCBAs that were set to expire at the end of 2023. Also in 2023, we were able to send multiple members to various fire schools for continued education. As in years past, the RFD continues to commit itself as a community partner, providing educational opportunities to Rochester Area School District students and area daycares during Fire Prevention Week.

The members of the RFD welcome the public to visit the fire station anytime throughout the year for a tour of the facility and equipment to see how donations are being used. Also, the RFD is continually searching for new members and encourages anyone interested to apply. Please visit [www.RochesterFD.com](http://www.RochesterFD.com) for more information on becoming a member.

Once again, we are truly grateful for the overwhelming support received to help meet the demands of firefighting and public safety prudently. We would like to extend our wishes for a very healthy and happy 2024.

Sincerely,

**ROCHESTER FIRE DEPARTMENT**

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