

SHAWNEE HEIGHTS FIRE DISTRICT

2025 ANNUAL REPORT



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Population Protected by SHFD

18,000

Square Miles Protected by SHFD

144

Total Calls for Service in 2025

1,569

Rescue/ Emergency Medical Services in 2025

1,039

Average Response Time in 2025

9:57

Structure Fires Extinguished in 2025

10

Estimated Fire Property Loss in 2025

\$178,000

Civilian Fire Injuries in 2025

1

Civilian Fire Fatalities in 2025

0

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Greetings to all of our Fire District patrons. I am pleased to present the annual report for the year 2025. The patrons of this district are super supportive of our agency and we are extremely proud of this. Without your trust in our agency, we could not operate to the level we currently do.

As we end 2025, we are nearing the half way mark of the fire station construction projects started in 2024. The new fire Station 27 is coming along nicely and should be ready for occupancy sometime in mid-2026. It is located at 5444 SE 61st on land that had been purchased some 20 years ago. We are extremely thankful to the Florschutz family for having the vision to allow the fire district to make this purchase all those years ago.

Fire Station 21 at 2626 Shawnee Heights Road is about thirty percent complete, but quickly catching up with Station 27s progress. It is anticipated to be a late summer of 2026 completion that should allow our crews to return to that location. It has been noted that many patrons of the district were excited to have the staffing moved into Station 22 located at 211 Tecumseh during this construction period. As has been expressed by our staff and the Fire District board, this was a temporary move that would revert back upon completion of the Station 21 location. While, we would love to have staffing at all of our soon to be five fire station locations, we have to be aware of the cost of such staffing and place our resources in the locations that best serve the entirety of the Fire District.

In December of 2024 a new 2000-gallon tanker was ordered to replace one of the existing 2006 era tankers. We expect delivery of this new tanker sometime in the winter of 2026. It is our hope to have that tanker in service by early 2027. Our refurbished brush trucks were completed and placed back in to service in fall of 2025. 2025 was a low activity year for wildfires with the exception of one day. March 21, 2025 was a windstorm event that created severe wildfire conditions across northeast Kansas. Many out of county agencies were requesting assistance, however within our own district, we were completely committed to 18 calls, 10 of them occurring at the same time, and could not spare any resources. We did however utilize in county mutual aid response from our neighbors and it was greatly appreciated.

2026 brings us to the last full year of our strategic plan that is currently adopted. We will be looking at the creation of the next five-year strategic plan to help guide our agency going forward. This plan development process involves all stakeholders and will have a portion for public input. Without our patron's guidance, we could not effectively serve our community. We will be looking at the options for improving our staffing levels to attain a more consistent personnel response on calls each and every day as we see our call volume slowly increase.

It has been a true pleasure to serve this community over the past year and I look forward to the exciting things to come in 2026!

Kevin Flory

Kevin Flory
Fire Chief



Mission Statement

“It is the mission of the Shawnee Heights Fire District to provide the best fire and EMS service and exceed the expectations of the community”. We will accomplish this through rapid safe response, quality training and effective community risk reduction programs.

Vision Statement

Our vision is to be the finest fire and EMS service organization by utilizing and developing our members to their fullest potential, maximizing our use of resources available to us, and being responsive to the changing needs of the community we protect.

Core Values

Integrity—We will make every effort to establish and maintain the trust of our community.

Personal accountability— We will take ownership of our conduct and actions on and off duty.

Respect— We believe in the dignity of all individuals and value all members of the community and the department.

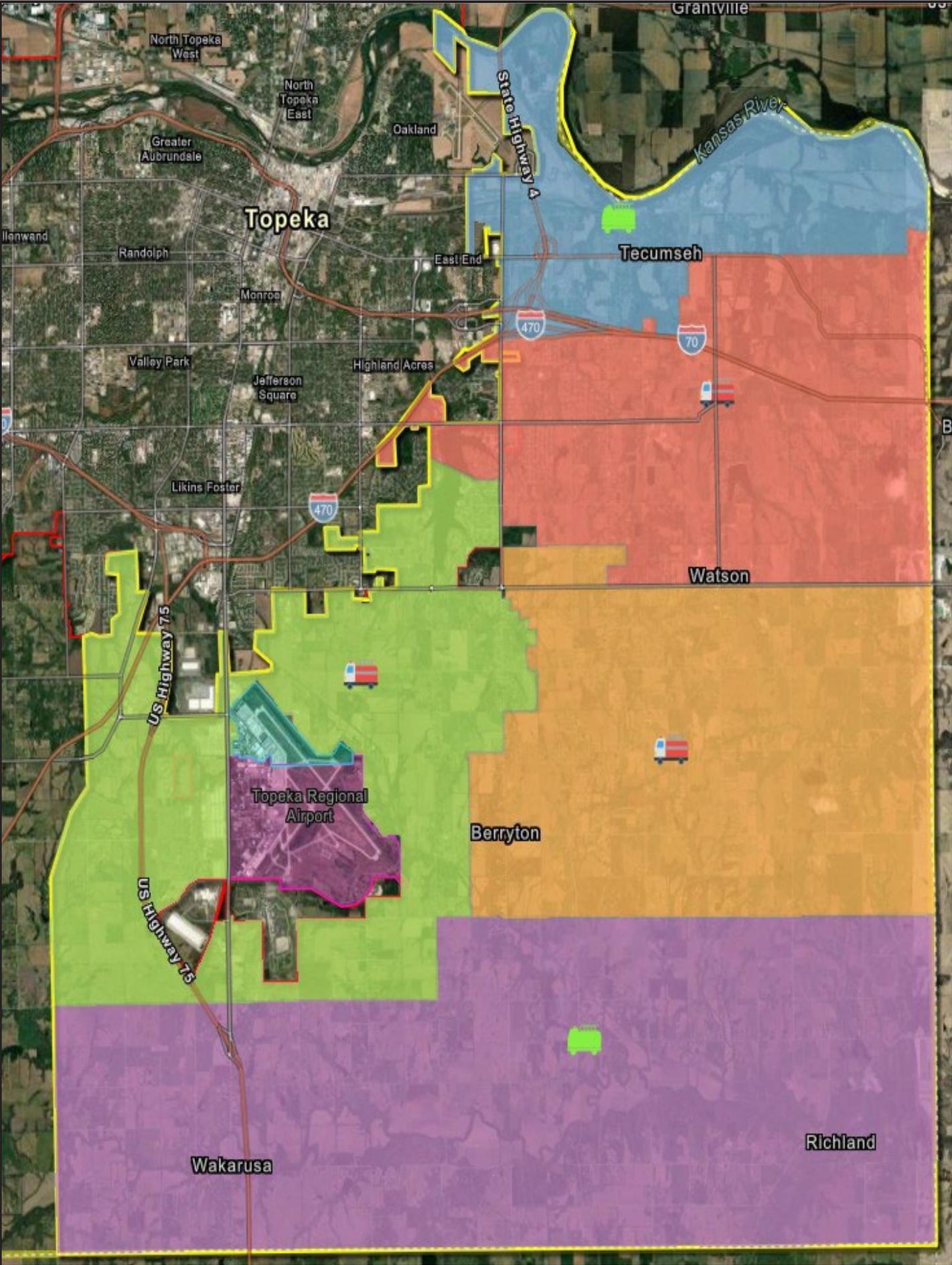
Compassion— We will show compassion to our citizens and make every effort to empathize with them during their time of need.

Dedication— We will be prepared to respond to emergency and non-emergency needs of our community through a commitment to training and preparation.

Pride— We will strive for excellence in all we do. We will be active participants in the community we serve.



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INCOME

Ad Valorem Tax	\$ 2,351,210
Other Taxes (Inc. Bond Repayment funds)	\$ 943,372
Williamsport Contract	\$ 660,608
Reimbursements	\$ 43,250
Grants	\$ 10,521
Interest	\$ 71,888
Equipment Sale	\$ 16,479
Misc	\$ 1,014
TOTAL	\$ 4,098,342



EXPENDITURES

Compensation	42%	\$1,737,689
Employee Benefits	21.7%	\$895,224
Professional Services	1.6%	\$70,186
Improvements	2.8%	\$117,758
Fuel	1.9%	\$79,419
Maintenance	2.2%	\$83,965
Utilities	1.5%	\$65,961
Insurance	2.1%	\$90,510
Training	1%	\$30,944
Other	2.5%	\$103,449
Special District Reserve	6.9%	\$285,921
General Bond Repayment	13.8%	570,140
TOTAL		\$4,131,166



COMMUNITY OUTREACH HOURS
179.25



TRAINING HOURS
5,670



2025 Incidents by Type

MAJOR INCIDENT TYPE	# INCIDENTS LAST YEAR	# INCIDENTS THIS YEAR	% of TOTAL THIS YEAR
Fires	120	115	7.33%
Rescue & Emergency Medical Service	1060	1039	66.22%
Hazardous Condition (Hazardous Situation)	63	45	2.87%
Service Call (Public Service)	129	108	6.88%
Good Intent Call (Public Service)	166	195	12.43%
False Alarm & False Call (Non-Emergency)	65	63	4.01%
Severe Weather (Non-Emergency)	1	0	0.00%
Special Incident Type (Non-Emergency)	2	4	0.25%
TOTAL	1606	1569	100%

2025 Incidents by Township & Station

TOWNSHIP	# INCIDENTS LAST YEAR	# INCIDENTS THIS YEAR	% of TOTAL
KTA	47	63	4.01%
Tecumseh	681	624	39.8%
Topeka	154	181	11.5%
Monmouth	238	223	14.2%
Williamsport	478	468	29.8%
Mutual Aid	8	10	0.6%
TOTAL	1606	1569	100%
Station 21	773	658	41.9%
Station 23	656	630	40.2%
Station 25	177	281	17.9%



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