Your Volunteer Voices

Here is where your local volunteer fire company members will answer questions, provide event dates, offer ways to get involved, and most importantly, reconnect with your community.

FIRE PREVENTION

Have an evacuation plan and practice it with your family at least twice a year. Have a safe meeting place. Install smoke and CO detectors on every level of your home and in each room. Test detectors monthly and replace batteries annually. Replace detectors 10 years from the date of manufacture.

1 BEDROOM

Keep doors closed when you go to sleep. Do not plug space heaters into extension cords. Keep space heaters away from combustibles. TIP: Place an escape ladder in bedrooms above the ground floor.

2 CHIMNEY

Get chimneys inspected and cleaned before the first use of the year.

3 BATHROOM/WASHROOM

Keep exhaust fans clean and free of dust buildup. Have dryer vents and ducts cleaned regularly.

4 OUTDOORS

Keep all fire pits a safe distance from structures and trees. Never leave unattended.

Do not throw Li Po batteries in trash.

5 LIVING ROOM

Do not overload sockets or extension cords. Keep a fire extinguisher near fireplace. Never leave burning candles unattended.

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6 KITCHEN

Keep matches and lighters out of reach of children. Never leave stove unattended. Keep a fire extinguisher within reach.

Keep stove tops clean.

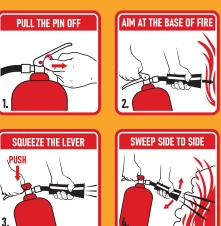
TIP: If grease catches fire in a pan, place a lid on it until extinguished.

7 GARAGE/BASEMENT

Store all flammable materials in approved containers away from heat sources.

Have heating systems cleaned and maintained regularly.

USING A FIRE EXTINGUISHER



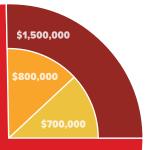
PULL AIM SQUEEZE SWEEP

As the year-end approaches, please consider donating to your local volunteer fire company. Our volunteers donate their time and energy to provide volunteer fire services to our communities. To maintain the volunteer service, WE NEED YOUR HELP.

How much does the volunteer service save taxpayers?

- \$1,500,000 Total cost of the volunteer service in East Lampeter Township
 - \$800,000 Taxpayer funds
 - \$700.000 Donations and fundraisers
- **\$4,500,000** Savings to taxpayers each year over having a paid department

All numbers are estimates based off past costs, the National Volunteer Fire Council's cost saving calculator and other local data.



\$4,500,000

SAVINGS TO TAXPAYERS EACH YEAR OVER **HAVING A PAID** DEPARTMENT

Dear community,

Thank you for your support over the years. We cannot do this without you. We have the opportunity to help someone in their most vulnerable and desperate times. When you call 911, we will drop what we are doing and come to help.

Why? You are the community we chose to serve, whether we know you or not. As time has passed, training requirements have increased. Apparatus and

equipment costs have risen dramatically. The number of volunteers throughout the country have dropped. All of this, along with the changing dynamics of the fires we fight today and the expanding nature of the types of emergencies we respond to, add to the requirements placed upon our volunteers and their time.

What do I want? I want to be there when you need me. I want to have the best

tools, equipment, and training to be able to get the best outcome possible. At the end of the day, I want to go home to my family just like you.

If you have generously donated, from the bottom of our hearts, thank you. For those of you who have not had the opportunity to give, please, take a moment

Sincerely

your local

MILK & COOKIES WITH SANTA Saturday, December 2nd 6pm at Witmer Fire Protection Association

SANTA IS COMING TO TOWN Saturday, December 2nd touring Witmer neighborhoods



Witmer Fire Protective Association 455 Mt. Sidney Rd, Lancaster witmerfire.com 717-393-1259



LAFAYETTE FIRE CO'S SANTA'S TOY EXPRESS Saturday, December 9th 11am-3pm

Hand-in-Hand Fire Co. 313 Enterprise Dr, Bird-in-Hand bihfire.com Station: 717-392-0112 Paul Fisher: 717-380-1109



134 North Ronks Road, Ronks ronksfirerescureinfo@gmail.com Steve Gribble: 717-368-5585



717-392-5097



63 Lafayette Way, Lancaster lafayettefire.com



If you have questions about this information, or are interested in volunteering, please contact one of the fire companies listed here.

EXTRA GIVE: LAFAYETTE FIRE CO Friday, November 17th https://www.extragive.org/ organizations/lafayette-firecompany-of-east-lampeter-township

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