



Our annual report is designed to connect the organization with our community, our donors, our funding partners, and our dedicated team of volunteer emergency responders.

ANNUAL REPORT 2015





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A Message from the President/CEO



FY15 proved to be a very busy year for the Rescue Squad. We logged 281 activities and missions. Our team committed a total of 3,617 volunteer man-hours in service to our communities, and we logged more than 6,000 miles on our emergency response vehicles.

In 2015, we added to our fleet of emergency equipment including a new set of the world famous Jaws-of-Life, an Automatic External Defibrillator (AED), a new chainsaw, and a previously owned portable light tower and generator. We are also well on our way to taking delivery of a new rescue truck in the spring of 2016.

A new rescue apparatus will replace a 1988 model rescue vehicle that has been in service to Cannon County for over 20 years. The community has really come together in their financial support along with local government support, a grant from the U.S. Department of Agriculture, and private foundation financial support. This funding has allowed our group of dedicated volunteers to place an order for the Cannon County's first ever new rescue truck designed specifically for the work of emergency responders. The new rescue vehicle will be constructed to meet and/or exceed all standards of the National Fire Protection Association for Firefighter Safety.

Although we always want to recognize the financial commitments of our donors, our success is greatly attributed to our trained staff of all-volunteer emergency responders. Without our dedicated team of volunteer life-savers, we could not do the work that we do every day to save lives. Our responders are here for you 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

We want to thank everyone that has helped to make our communities a better place to live and work, this year and every year.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Michael Underhill".

Michael Underhill
Captain/President/CEO
Cannon County Rescue Squad, Inc.

LEADERSHIP TEAM

Our organization is managed by a team of five (5) Executive Officers. These Officers are elected by the general membership (responders) annually. Elections of Officers takes place each December. Our responders have entrusted these individuals to act in the best interest of the Rescue Squad. It is evident that these individuals are doing a great job. Several of our Officers have been re-elected to their positions year after year. Michael Underhill has been re-elected to the position of Chief Executive Officer every year since 1992. Stability within the leadership team has allowed the organization to grow, expand services, and acquire new equipment.



Left to Right: Jonathan Scurlock Jr. VP, Michael Underhill CEO, Becky Harrell CFO, Tim Bell COO, and Adam Hayes Sr. VP.

COMMUNITY OVERSIGHT

In 2014, we formed a Board of Directors to provide financial oversight and community support for the organization. In 2015, the Board was able to work together with the Squad Leadership Team to define their roles even further. The Board now approve annual budgets, capital funding request, and provides direct oversight of our financial resources. Board members are appointed to a 4 year term with the option to re-appointed for additional terms.

The Board of Directors elected Dr. Michael Thomas as the first Chairman in 2015. The Chairman of the Board sets the agenda and called the meetings of the Board quarterly. Board members represent a cross-section of the community with Tabitha Smith, James Adkins, Lou Nave, Steven Smith, and Mitch Wilson serving as members.

Our Responders, Leadership Team, and the Board of Directors have worked together to shape the financial structure of the organization. Specifically the Board of Directors has provide guidance for fundraising, handling debt load, and revenue reserves. A strong financial outlook will allow the Rescue Squad to enhance and expand emergency/disaster preparedness services for many years to come.

2015 VOLUNTEER HOURS



Our rescue volunteers donated 3,617 man-hours to Cannon County in 2015. Using a calculative figure from the United States Labor Department, Bureau of Labor Statistics, the 63rd percentile average Firefighter/Rescue hourly rate is \$25.00. This is a cost savings to Cannon County of over \$90,425.00 in volunteer man-hours.

The Rescue Squad is probably one the most efficient organizations in Cannon County. Volunteer man-hours save our communities hundreds of thousands of dollars annual in salaries and benefits. Very little of our operating revenue comes through tax appropriations. Most of our revenue is a result of donations and fundraising. Tax appropriations from the County and City governments are a good return on investment. Our ability to manage our funds proves our commitment to being a good steward of tax funding. Financial transparency proves our commitment to being a good steward of our donor's financial contributions.

2015 RESCUE TRAINING

The Tennessee Governor's Highway Safety Office (GHSO) joined CCRS in 2015 by supporting training of fire/rescue personnel in Cannon County and the Middle Tennessee area. National Highway Traffic Safety Administration funds, administered by GHSO, funded a first responder training program which purchased new fire/rescue training materials. This program is designed to promote highway safety and response to victims of automobile collisions. These new training materials are the latest in new technology designed specifically for use by rescue teams to access victims of vehicle collisions.

CCRS partnered with the Cannon County and DeKalb County Fire Departments to promote training in 2015. CCRS trained 27 volunteers were trained in 2015, and CCRS responders volunteered nearly 750 man-hours for emergency service training and response. These new partnerships will promote life-safety for many years to come in the Middle Tennessee Region.



2015 ACTIVITIES REPORT/MISSION REPORTING

Cannon County Rescue Squad, Inc.
618 Lehman Street
Woodbury, TN 37190

January 1 - December 31

2015

2015 Activities Report/Mission Reporting System

Primary Mission	Number of Calls	Total Man Hrs
Administrative Support/Function	28	296
Animal Rescue	1	20
ATV/UTV Accident/Collision	1	9
Cave or Confined Space Rescue	0	0
Community Support Event	17	178.25
Disaster Training/Meetings/Response	14	94.25
Disregarded Enroute to Call (MVC)	5	11
EMS Assist	13	87.75
False Call/Good Intent	2	9.5
Fire Assist	5	12
Fundraising Activity/Administration	22	750
Grant Research/Writing/Administration	30	241.75
Horse Riding Accident	1	18
Land Search and Rescue	2	11.5
Landing Zone Setup Only (No Extrication)	0	0
Law Enforcement Assist	0	0
Maintenance, Building/Equipment/Vehicles	50	176.5
Medical Stand-By	4	29.5
Meetings, CCRS or Other	25	452
Motor Cycle Collision	0	0
MVC Requiring Extrication	11	178.5
MVC Without Extrication	9	59.25
Other Call or Incident	8	50
Rescue Training, Extrication	8	354.5
Rescue Training, Other	20	394.5
Rescue Training, VKF/EVOC	4	182
Water Rescue/Recovery	1	1.5
Total	281	3617.25

Mission Call Volume By Month		%
Jan	26	9.3
Feb	31	11
Mar	27	9.6
Apr	30	10.7
May	29	10.3
Jun	15	5.3
Jul	14	4.9
Aug	23	8.2
Sep	32	11.4
Oct	28	9.9
Nov	13	4.6
Dec	13	4.6
Total	281	

Mission Call Volume By Day of Week		%
Sun	49	17.3
Mon	41	14.5
Tue	26	9.2
Wed	30	10.6
Thu	46	16.3
Fri	41	14.5
Sat	48	17

Mission Call Volume By Time of Day		%
Shift 1	157	55.8
Shift 2	119	42.3
Shift 3	5	1.7

BLS Care Recorded Above	1
ALS Care Recorded Above	1
Mutual Aid Recorded Above	5
Transports Recorded Above	1

Shift 1 = 0700-1500

Shift 2 = 1500-2300

Shift 3 = 2300-0700



CONTINUED GROWTH

CCRS has been fortunate and has enjoyed steady growth in areas of finance, membership (i.e. responders), and emergency equipment. In just under 10 years, we have doubled our fleet of emergency response vehicles, we have added to our search and rescue capabilities, and we have become more involved in local and regional disaster response, planning, and training.



Our 5 year strategic plan has allowed us to grow and mature the organization. This plan has prepared the organization and our leaders to enhance our emergency response capabilities and to grow our non-emergency community support activities.

SUMMARY

Our dedicated volunteer responders are on-call 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year. Our responders are compelled to provide emergency care and community support. They provide rescue services during local emergencies, man-made or natural disasters, or when a coordinated regional response is required. Our responders spend a tremendous amount of time training in emergency care and rescue. This training is a benefit to the entire community and region as a whole. A well trained team that is adequately funded and equipped will make a difference.

Contact Information

For more information on supporting the Cannon County Rescue Squad, contact Michael Underhill at MUnderhill@CannonCountyRescue.com or by calling 615.904.5002

To contact Adam Hayes, Membership Chairman, please call 615.904.4677, or via e-mail at Ahayes@CannonCountyRescue.com

For gift giving, donations, and grant opportunities, please contact Chief Operating Officer Tim Bell at Tbell@CannonCountyRescue.com or by calling 615.849.2730

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The Cannon County Rescue Squad, Inc. assures that no person shall on the grounds of race, color, national origin, or sex, as provide by Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and as amended, and the Civil Rights Restoration Act of 1987 (P.L. 100.259) be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving Federal Financial Assistance. The Cannon County Rescue Squad, Inc. further assures every effort will be made to ensure nondiscrimination in all of its programs and activities, whether those programs or activities receive federal funds or not.

For more information on the Cannon County Rescue Squad, Inc. Title VI Program, please contact Tim Bell Chief Operating Officer.