

2014 Calls Ran

Structure Fires – 10	Vehicle Accidents - 16
Vehicle Fires – 5	Medical Assist Calls – 20
Brush Fires – 12	Public Assist – 3
Tree in Roadway – 1	Mutual Aid – 20
Fire Alarms – 4	Landing Zones – 3
Controlled Burns – 2	False Calls – 1
Drowning – 1	Fire Prevention - 1

Total Calls in 2014 – 99

Board of Directors

Chairman – Clint Johnson
Vice Chairman – Waldo Simpson
Secretary – Doug Simpson
Johnny Ray
Robert Braden
Cecil Braden
Mike Hale

SCVFD Members

Fire Chief – Chris Upton
Assistant Chief – Kevin Brantley
Deputy Chief – Mason Simpson
Captain – Mitch Lester
Lieutenants – Adam Brantley, Bryce Raley, Kevin Wenger, and Jacob Wenger
Engineers – Matthew Brogan & Darrell Morris
Chaplains – Gregory Raley & Colton Rutherford
Firefighters – Quintin Simpson, Michele Morris, Marshall Wolfenbarger, Jacob Morris, Brandon Parrish, Brett Pursel, Keaton Lester, Eddie Simpson, Logan Heifner, Heather King & Joey King
Junior Firefighters – Zack Pursel, Jonathon Brogan, Matthew Dykes, & Eldon Davis
Ladies Auxiliary Unit – Carolyn Brewer, Kristi Brantley, Sherry Owen, Elbra Davis, Kristen Lester, Beth Raley, Mabel Simpson, Kandi Simpson, & Peggy Bridges

Rescue 51



Engine 51



Tanker 51



Rescue 52



Engine 52



Sharps Chapel Volunteer Fire Department

**2015 Annual
Fund Drive**

What's My Donation Used For

Each year we send out a mail-out letter to the residents of Sharps Chapel. We will also have a spring and fall roadblock and other fundraisers throughout the year. We receive funding from the county, which helps cover vehicle insurance and liability insurance. The rest of our budget is funded by contributions we receive from you. The funds are used to pay for fuel, maintenance, training, equipment, utilities, and a loan payment that we must pay each year. We operate on a yearly budget of approx. \$50,000.00. Union County contributes \$20,000.00.

Community Involvement

We have a Fire Prevention Program at Sharps Chapel Elementary School each year and conduct fire drills at the school. We also provide free smoke detectors to residents in the community. When requested, we also assist other county fire departments and the Union County Rescue Squad.

What's New at SCVFD

In October 2014, we purchased a used Engine to replace an older one in our fleet. The old Engine 52 has been placed into retirement. We purchased a 1997 International KME Engine crew cab to replace the older truck and is now named Engine 52. The truck has been well maintained and came from Stony Hill, North Carolina.

We now also have a new website. Check out our new site at www.sharpschapelvfd.org. Visit it often to for the latest department news and read about our most recent calls.

Dear Resident,

We are now entering our 19th year of service to the community and would like to thank everyone for their continued support. The Sharps Chapel Volunteer Fire Department is always prepared to help our community in the event of an emergency, now we are asking you to help us with your tax deductible contribution. This is our yearly mail out letter to the citizens we serve.

The SCVFD is an all-volunteer organization. We provide fire protection and rescue services to approximately 3,000 citizens in our fire district, and our community is continuing to grow each year. We currently have about 30 active members who attend training sessions, meetings, community activities and respond to emergency calls in our area. We are on call 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Our members complete several training classes yearly to provide the best possible service. Our training includes vehicle extrication, basic firefighting, driver training, CPR, first responder, blood borne pathogens, domestic violence, pump operations, HAZMAT, and several other classes.

We currently have five emergency vehicles, which include 2 Engines, 1 Tanker, and 2 Rescue Trucks. We continue each year to apply for grants to obtain new vehicles and equipment, but due to so many fire departments applying, grants are hard to secure.

If you are civic minded and of good moral character, and interested in volunteering your time to be a member of the fire department, please contact Chief Chris Upton for more information. (865-278-3231)

ISO Rating

The Sharps Chapel Fire Department currently holds a Class 8b ISO rating for residents that live within 5 miles from the fire station and a Class 5 ISO rating for those who live within 5 miles of the fire station and 1,000 feet of a fire hydrant. ISO ratings are used by most insurance companies for determining your yearly homeowners' policy premium.

Contact Us

If you have any questions or would like to contact us, call the fire station at the non-emergency number 865-278-3231 or 865-748-3662. We also have a web site www.sharpschapelvfd.org. Feel free to visit our site, as we will be updating it on a regular basis. This site will keep you informed of what's going on in the community and also has needed information to provide for your insurance company.

Contributions

If you are able to send a tax deductible contribution of any amount to us for the 2015 annual fund drive, please send all **donations** to: **Sharps Chapel Volunteer Fire Department, P.O. Box 83, Sharps Chapel, Tennessee 37866.** Make checks payable to **Sharps Chapel Fire Department** or **SCVFD**.

Thank You,
Fire Chief, Chris Upton

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

All donations are greatly appreciated