

# PAOLI FIRE COMPANY

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## Please Support Paoli Fire Company's Annual Fund Drive & Secure Your 2020 Membership

Dear Neighbor,

2020 has just begun, and it's already an exciting year. I am proud to announce that Paoli Fire Company ambulances now provide Advanced Life Support (ALS) services. Our ambulance crews can now run IV lines, administer medications – including nitroglycerin for someone having a heart attack – and perform emergency airway procedures to help a patient breathe. This certification also allows our EMT and paramedic teams to use more powerful assessment tools, including blood glucose monitors, heart monitors, and EKG machines.

We continue to provide the Basic Life Support (BLS) services we always have – first aid and CPR, for example. But ALS certification means patients in the most dire need of care no longer have to wait for an Advanced Life Support ambulance to come from another town. In the most serious medical situations, such as heart attack or stroke, minutes saved make a huge difference in survival rate and quality of life.

Paoli Fire Company will provide both Advanced and Basic services in Tredyffrin and Easttown townships and will continue to provide Basic Life Support services in Willistown Township.

Achieving ALS certification was a challenging process requiring a county inspection and state review and approval. Every ALS ambulance must have a paramedic on board and we hired nine Firefighter/Paramedics, bringing our total to 10. We also had to purchase medicines, supplies, and equipment.

**We love what we do, but we need your help to do it. Please support your family and your community by making your annual Paoli Fire Company membership donation.** Many people believe we are



ALS Service Means Paoli Fire Company ambulances can administer IVs and medications and use tools like heart monitors and EKGs to assess patient health. Paramedic/Firefighter Tim Wert demonstrates some of these with Paoli volunteer Samantha Nields acting as patient.

completely funded by the municipalities we serve. In fact, we receive less than 25% of our annual budget from municipal tax funds. The majority of our funding comes from residents' and businesses' donations and ambulance billing reimbursement.

For more than 110 years, Paoli Fire Company has rescued our neighbors, protected their property, and provided outstanding and reliable emergency medical care and hospital transit. This commitment to excellence requires us to adapt and grow with the changing needs of our community. To do so, we need your support.

Respectfully,

*Andrea Testa*  
Fire Chief

## Membership Donation = Significant Savings

Should you need an ambulance in 2020, your membership can yield big savings! We are legally required to bill your insurance company. For Paoli Fire Company members, the amount paid by insurance, plus your co-pay, is accepted as payment in full. Non-members are billed for the costs beyond what insurance covers, which can be as much as \$2,000.

**Donate Now at [www.paolifirecompany.org](http://www.paolifirecompany.org)**  
69 Darby Road, Paoli, PA

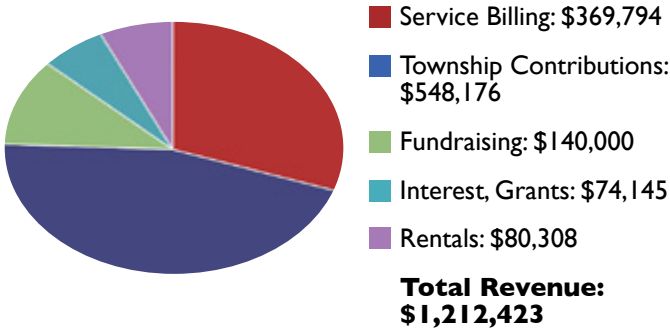
# Equipping a Single Paoli Firefighter Costs \$13,400

**IN 2019, PAOLI FIRE COMPANY RESPONDED TO:**

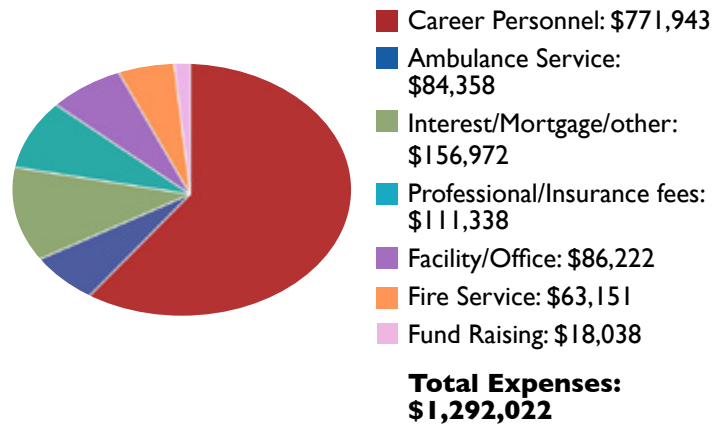
**581 FIRE CALLS  
1302 EMS CALLS**



## Where the Money Comes From



## Where the Money Goes



## Become a Paoli Fire Company Volunteer!

Looking for a meaningful way to make a difference? Paoli Fire Company needs you! With free training, you could be a firefighter, EMT, or fire police officer. We also need non-emergency volunteers, who teach children about fire safety, handle administrative duties, organizer fundraisers and events, and more.

Visit [www.paolifirecompany.org](http://www.paolifirecompany.org) and click "Join Us" for more details or to contact us.



## BRING YOUR FAMILY TO OUR JUNE 6TH OPEN HOUSE

**Saturday, June 6, 1 to 4 p.m.**

- Meet our Firefighters, EMTs, and Paramedics
- See the Trucks
- Watch a vehicle rescue demonstration
- Learn how to escape a fire through a window
- Enjoy entertainment and snacks

**See you at the station!**  
69 Darby Road, Paoli, PA 193016

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