

## LEWES

## ANNUAL "FIRE" FUND DRIVE REMINDER

The members of The Lewes Fire Department, Inc., want to thank you in advance for your support that we have received in the past and are now asking for your help once again.

Without your donations, the ability of the men and women of your volunteer fire department to provide the community with consistent high levels of service would be greatly compromised. Please consider these points...

- The members of Lewes Fire Department are not paid and are strictly "volunteer" firefighters /EMT's, saving taxpayers at least \$6 million in salary costs each year. If this department were to become county "paid" and no longer volunteer, that could potentially translate into an approximate tax increase per property in our district of \$300 to \$400 per year.
- The operating budget pays for Buildings, Vehicles, Fuel, Electricity, Water, Insurance, Protective Clothing and Equipment, Rescue Tools, and miscellaneous housekeeping essentials.
- The Department responded to a total of 5,171 calls, (770 fire and 4,401 EMS), in 2019 which include buildings, boats, field and motor vehicle fires, motor vehicle collisions with entrapments, cardiac arrests, traumatic injuries, citizen assists, etc.
- The Lewes Fire Department is a 501(c) 3 corporation; meaning that your donations to us are tax deductible. We ask you to please do not underestimate the importance of your donation! Your donation makes a significant and critical difference aiding in providing quality service to your community!

We know that many of the people in our community are suffering financial losses currently and may not be able to give a donation at this time. So for those, all we ask is that later in the year, maybe you can think of us and send a donation to help us meet our obligations.

The Lewes Fire Department, Inc., is always on the lookout for people in the community who have the desire and time to volunteer and be involved in serving our community as a Firefighter/Emergency Medical Responders/Emergency Medical Technician (EMT-B). Should you not be interested in participating in the firefighting, rescue or EMS activities LFD has an active Auxiliary. For information you may go online to LFD website www.lewesfire.com or call (302) 645-6556.

## DURING THESE UNIQUE TIMES WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT MORE THAN EVER!

THANK YOU!

YOUR TAX-DEDUCTIBLE SUPPORT IS CRUCIAL.