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The 5 volunteer and combination fire departments serve the 70,000 residents of Vanderburgh County who reside outside the City of Evansville with commitment and dedication. The 5 fire departments have staffed with volunteers in some cases for over 50 years serving residents because of a sense of community pride as well as civic duty and a desire to help their fellow man. In today's world because of increased responsibilities many of the all volunteer fire departments have transitioned into a combination fire department where some staff is now paid. This is a normal transition that occurs all across the country as communities grow and the demand for fire protection services increases.

We respond every day to every 911 call for assistance relating to fire, emergency medical, water rescue, vehicle accidents and hazardous materials emergencies. In 2003 the 5 county fire departments responded to a total of 3,369 emergencies. The volunteer firefighters contributed over 87,250 man hours in 2003 that calculated into tax avoidance for the residents worth \$1,400,362.50

There are 12 fire stations and 221 volunteer firefighters along with 16 full time career personnel who provide emergency services in the area outside the City of Evansville.

Our personnel are trained and certified by the State of Indiana Public Safety Training Institute.

There is ONE certification for firefighters and ONE certification for Emergency Medical Technicians regardless of your level of compensation.

In the last several years the 5 fire departments under the Suburban Fire Chiefs Association have developed a combined training program for recruits as well as examined our apparatus and equipment needs to reduce duplication and increase efficiency.





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We believe that our record speaks for itself in that a group of dedicated and committed community minded individuals unselfishly put their lives on the line to serve the residents of Vanderburgh County. What advantages will consolidating fire protection bring to the taxpayers of Vanderburgh County? We don't see many! Thank you for your efforts.

Chief John M. Buckman III
German Township Volunteer Fire Department
Chief Chris Wathen
Knight Township Volunteer Fire Department
Chief Don Maffett
McCutchanville Volunteer Fire Department
Chief Jerry Bulger
Perry Township Volunteer Fire Department
Chief Keith Kohre
Scott Township Fire Department

