# **Greetings from the York Center Fire District**

### Welcome

The York Center Fire District ended the year 2023 with 1,682 calls. 728 of those calls were fire, 954 were EMS. DuComm is our dispatching center. DuComm provides public safety communications services to Police, Fire, and EMS agencies. No one plans to call 9-1-1, but now you can plan ahead. Sign up for Smart911 and create your own Safety Profile to give 9-1-1 valuable information about yourself, family members, your home, pets and even vehicles that will automatically display on the 9-1-1 call taker's screen when you make an emergency call. This service is also a valuable tool to be used by Premise Alert Program users. For more information about Smart911, go to Register for Smart911.



# The York Center Board of Trustees meet once a month. The public is always welcome to attend.

4/11/2024 - Board of Trustees' Meeting 5/8/2024 - Board of Trustees' Meeting

6/13/2024 - Board of Trustees' Meeting 7/10/2024—Board of Trustees' Meeting

More meeting dates can be found on our website.





#### **CPR**

The fire district offers both Heartsaver CPR classes and BLS CPR classes for the Healthcare Providers on a monthly basis.

Visit our website for 2024 class dates.



The district has a certified car seat technician. Car seat inspections are done by appointment only.

Appointments can be made on our website.

## Narcan Program

The York Center Fire Protection District is now participating in the Home Narcan Program presented by HOPEDuPage and in collaborative efforts with the DuPage County Coroner, Sheriff, State's Attorney, Chiefs of Police, and Health Department. Participants can now receive the lifesaving drug Naloxone to reverse the effects of an opioid overdose from the York Center Fire District. Contact Lt. Nick Carnaggio (630) 627-1940 ext. 241 or <a href="mailto:carnaggio@yorkcenterfire.org">carnaggio@yorkcenterfire.org</a>.



Community Narcan Request Form

## Spring & Summer Safety Tips



Drowning is the #1 cause of accidental death for children ages 1-4. 88% of drownings occur with at least 1 adult present. StopDrowningNow.org is a great resource for educational materials. Stop Drowning Now educates to eliminate drowning.

<u>Kids and Car Safety</u> was the first and only organization to not only recognize nontraffic dangers but also to begin collecting data and bring national attention to these incidents. These nontraffic dangers include hot cars, front overs, back overs, and more.



Motorcyclists are some of the most vulnerable road users. Motorcyclist deaths occurred 28 times more frequently than fatalities in other vehicles, this is based on fatal crash data from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. The Illinois Department of Transportation is dedicated to ensuring the safety of all motorcyclists through training, education and outreach.



## New Engine 78 Has Arrived



We have taken possession of our new fire engine - a 2023 Pierce Enforcer Pumper.

Much planning has gone into this latest apparatus added to our fleet. Many do not realize since Corona Virus hit in 2019, delays have caused backlogs of fire equipment up to 3 years in some cases! We had to plan well in advance for this day. This unit was scheduled to be delivered in December and finally arrived in January. Our crews have been working hard getting essential equipment placed including radios, headsets, fire equipment and planning for future equipment that is right around the corner. As we try to take care of our members, we have brought the clean cab concept in our last 2 apparatus, which keeps firefighter gear outside of the area where they ride to and from calls. This provides an area to place the contaminated gear until it can be properly washed. We are hoping to have it ready to respond on calls as of April 1.

When you see us around town, give us a wave and maybe we will give you a friendly toot of the horn back.



## **Ambulance Billing Information**

The York Center Fire District contracts with an outside vendor, Paramedic Billing Services (PBS), to perform all ambulance billing functions. Billing questions should be directed to PBS at 630.530.2988 or via email at <a href="mailto:insuranceinfo@paramedicbilling.com">insuranceinfo@paramedicbilling.com</a>.

### What should I do with my ambulance bill?

If you are covered by medical insurance, Medicare, Medicaid or are a member of an HMO, please provide information about your coverage on the back of your ambulance bill and return it to PBS. PBS will bill your insurance carrier. Residents of the York Center Fire District are not required to pay any amount above the amount paid by their insurance.

## Why is there a fee for emergency ambulance service?

York Center uses reimbursements from Medicare, Medicaid and private insurance companies to assist with the high costs of providing these services. Remember, as a resident you are not responsible for any remaining balance after your insurance has paid.



Measles cases are on the rise. Measles is a serious, highly contagious disease caused by a virus. The virus is spread easily through the air when an infected person coughs or sneezes or by direct contact with infected nose or throat secretions. Symptoms of measles include a rash that starts on the face and neck and then spreads, a high fever, runny nose, cough and red, watery eyes. The fever starts about 10 days (range seven to 18 days) after exposure. The rash appears about 14 days after exposure. Infants and adults usually are sicker than children and teenagers.

Visit the <u>IDPH website</u> for the most up to date information.

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