

MIAMI TOWNSHIP

SERVICES & PRIORITIES



TOWNSHIP PERSONNEL

- Four elected officials
 - 3 Board of Trustees
 - 1 Fiscal Officer
- Two Road/Cemetery Employees
- One Zoning Inspector (part-time)
- 25 Fire-Rescue Employees
 - 5 pensioned full-time
 - 8 non-pensioned full-time
 - 6 part-time
 - 5 active volunteers
 - 1 volunteer physician director

SERVICES PROVIDED

- Administration
- Roads
- Cemeteries
- Rural zoning (unincorporated areas)
- Fire-Rescue
 - Emergency medical services

TOWNSHIP ADMINISTRATION

- Elected officials
- Provide strategic direction, general oversight, and fiscal management

ROADS

- Approximately 14 miles of roads in unincorporated areas
- Services include maintenance, repair, snow removal, etc.

CEMETERIES

- Four cemeteries
 - Glen Forest
 - Clifton Union
 - 2 private
- Services include maintenance, oversight & management, sale of plots, etc.

RURAL ZONING

- Responsible for zoning administration in unincorporated areas
- Zoning is laid out in Township Zoning Resolution as developed by Zoning Commission
- Board of Zoning Appeals
- Zoning Inspector

FIRE-RESCUE

- Largest service provided
- Primarily paid staff
 - 2022 payroll (estimate) \$896,835
- Approximately 1,200 calls per year
- Staffing needs have outpaced operating levy income
 - Township General Fund has been able to supplement

FIRE-RESCUE FUNDING

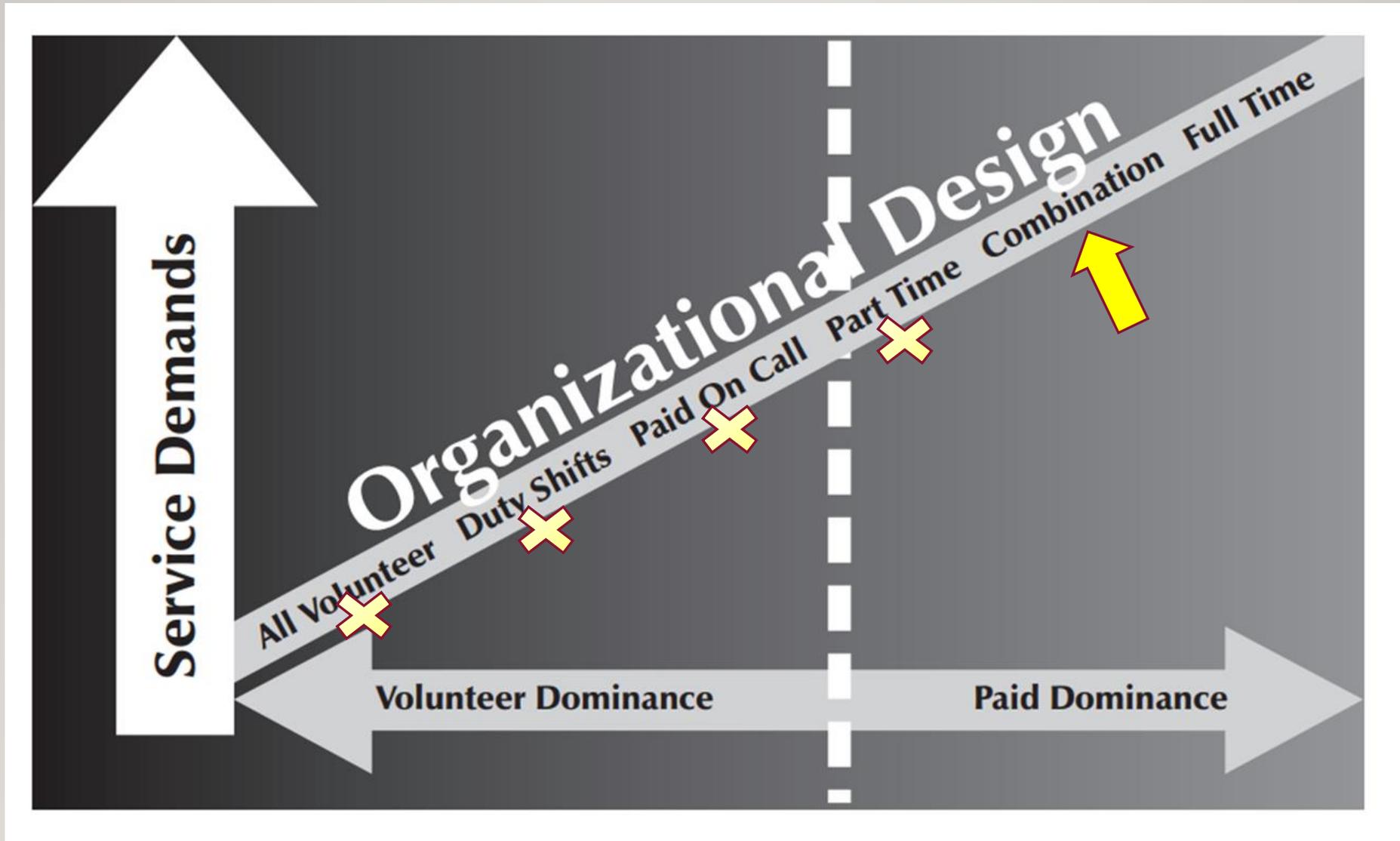
- Operating levy – 3.6 mils
 - Over 20 years old
 - Generates approximately \$570,000 per year
 - Designed for a primarily volunteer department
- Ambulance transport billing
 - Implemented in 2008
 - Generates approximately \$115,000 per year
 - Can only be used for EMS-related functions
- Grants, fees, and contracts
- 30-year fire station construction levy
 - NO operational income, only used for bond retirement

NEW LEVY

- Staffing levy
 - Will be used to fund current paid positions
 - Failure of levy will result in lay-offs of personnel
- 3.5 mil levy
 - Will generate approximately \$670,000 per year
 - Cost per \$100K value: \$122.50 per year

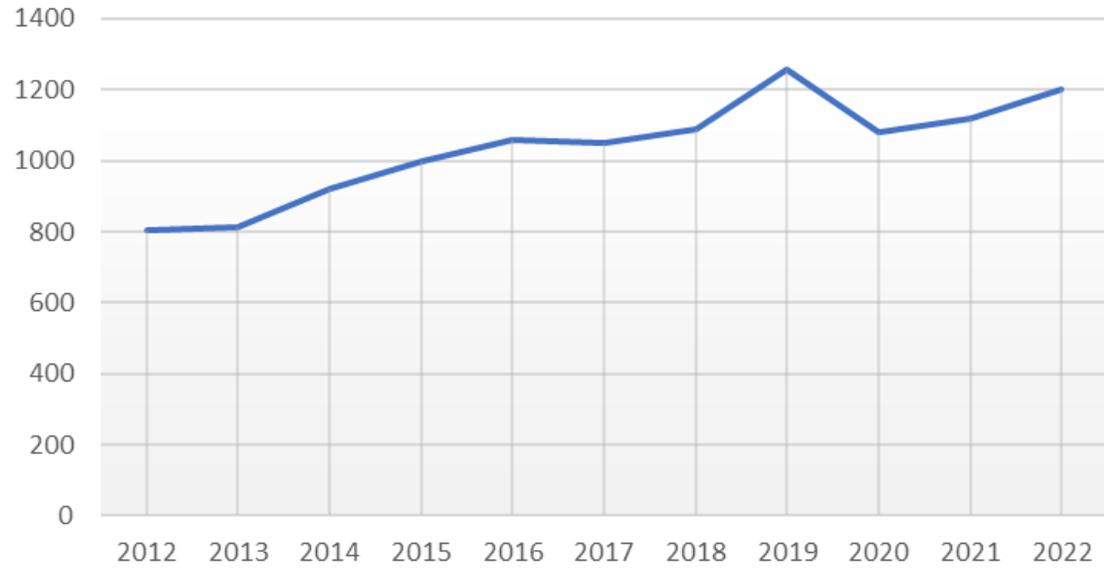
PAID STAFF VS. VOLUNTEER

- Number of volunteers has been dropping dramatically
- This is a statewide and national trend
 - Increased run volume
 - >500 calls per year is considered the point of strain to a volunteer department
 - Increased expectations
 - Legislative mandates
 - Family considerations

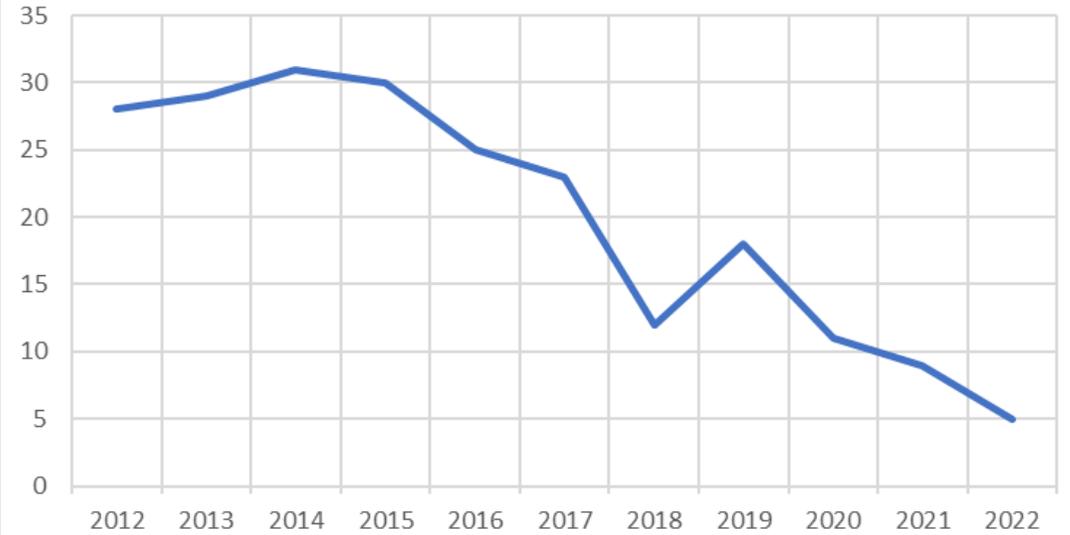


X = Been there, done that

Incidents Per Year



Active Volunteers



BOTTOM LINE

- New levy is needed to **maintain** current level of service
- The need to respond to emergencies in a safe, efficient manner has necessitated the addition of paid staff. **This staffing has outpaced operating levy income.**
- Current operating levy was **designed for a volunteer department** with little staffing expenses
- Failure of new levy **will result in lay-off of staff members, increased response times, and over-reliance on mutual aid resources**
- **It is unrealistic to expect that volunteers can cover the services provided**