

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

The department continues to perform CCR or Cardio-cerebral resuscitation with great success. This technique does not require a person to initially provide mouth to mouth breathing to the victim; instead this technique uses only chest compressions to distribute the existing blood supply to the brain and heart.

The emergency department at Mercy Hospital and Dr. Michael Kellum, the founder of the concept and previous Medical director for the Janesville Fire Department have been proponents of this technique for several years.

Effective chest compressions are instrumental in survivability. To better provide the best chances for a successful outcome, the Janesville Fire department along with Dr. Jay MacNeal, Medical Director of the Janesville Fire Department, have instituted two new concepts to potentially improve the outcome of those that suffer an out of hospital cardiac arrest.

The LUCAS is a compression assist device that is applied to the patient and provides extremely effective external chest compressions. While rescue personnel are quite capable of performing effective chest compressions, fatigue must be considered. The LUCAS is a battery driven device that provides continual consistent compressions and subsequently optimal blood flow to the heart and brain.

In addition, the paramedics are also implementing pre-hospital cooling (IV fluids) during resuscitative efforts to best increase the chance for a positive neurological (brain function) outcome. This concept is relatively new to pre-hospital providers and Janesville Fire Department remains on the forefront of resuscitation.



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If you would like more information about City of Janesville's Fire Department, please call (608) 755-3050. You may also visit our website at <http://www.ci.janesville.wi.us>. •



Janesville Fire Department

303 Milton Avenue
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Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 7:30 am to 4:30 pm

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Web: www.ci.janesville.wi.us

Summary of Services



It is the mission of the Janesville Fire Department to protect life, property and environment; promote public safety; and foster growth through leadership, management and actions. We will provide these services in a safe and effective manner.



SUMMARY OF SERVICES

The Janesville Fire Department currently responds to an estimated 5,200 Engine alarms and 7,000 paramedic calls from five (5) stations. Four (4) stations have paramedic ambulances, each staffed by two (2) licensed paramedics who respond to both emergency medical and fire alarms. Firefighter/Paramedics receive intensive training each year to maintain the skills needed to provide emergency services. In addition, personnel are cross-trained to provide Dive Rescue, Hazardous Materials Response, Technical Rescue, and Child Safety Seat Inspection.

The Fire Department responds to emergency alarms, 24 hours a day, out of five (5) stations, which are staffed by 87 sworn personnel on three shifts. There are also seven (7) administrative positions assigned to Administration (4) and the Fire Prevention Bureau (3).

Station Locations:

- #1 Headquarters - 303 Milton Avenue, 755-3050
- #2 - 1545 S. Washington Street, 752-2718
- #3 - 435 N. Crosby Avenue, 752-7736
- #4 - 4117 E. Milwaukee Street, 752-1660
- #5 - 1414 Newport Avenue, 752-5815

ROCK COUNTY HAZMAT RESPONSE TEAM

The Rock County Hazardous Material Response Team is designated by the State of Wisconsin to provide assistance in hazardous materials emergencies.

The Team is committed to reaching out to all communities within our county. We welcome the opportunity to visit, perform training, or answer questions.

Please contact the Janesville Fire Department at 755-3050 for more information.

FIRE PREVENTION BUREAU

Each year the Janesville Fire Department completes approximately 4,500 fire and tank inspections annually to ensure the safety of the Janesville community. Fire Inspectors or engine companies visit businesses at least once a year to check their building for fire code concerns and to get an understanding of their layout in case of a fire. Underground fuel storage tanks are inspected annually to ensure the storage tanks, such as those at private fueling operations, are not leaking. The Fire Prevention Bureau also completes special inspections of homes or businesses by request from the property owner.

In addition, the Fire Prevention Bureau and fire personnel will provide an estimated 1,000 hours of public fire safety education training to local organizations and groups. They also assist with fire drills for schools and other agencies

Please contact the Fire Prevention Bureau at 755-3056 for more information.

CHILD SAFETY SEAT INSPECTIONS

The Child Safety Seat Inspection program assists parents in protecting their children by providing certified child safety seat technicians from the Janesville Fire and Police Departments to inspect, instruct and correct improperly installed child safety seats. If a safety seat is found to be unsafe during an inspection, parents may choose to conveniently obtain a new low-cost safety seat from the Fire Department. Each inspection takes approximately 30 minutes and is free of charge; however, donations are accepted. The donations will be used to fund the operating costs of the inspection program.

Please check the city's website for car seat inspection events or call (608) 921-3786 to schedule an appointment.

JANESVILLE FIRE DEPARTMENT RECRUITMENT PROCEDURE

The Janesville Fire Department recruitment process is typically conducted every two years, but the process may be run earlier if the existing eligibility list is exhausted. All applicants that meet the minimum qualifications will remain on the eligibility list for two (2) years. Evaluations of the applications are completed by members of the Fire Department along with the Human Resources Department.

All applicants must be at least 18 years of age and have the following:

- Wisconsin FIREFIGHTER I & II certification,
- Current Wisconsin EMT License,
- Valid Drivers License,
- High School Diploma, or equivalent,
- NIMS 100, 200, & 700 Certificates, and
- CPAT Certificate (within two (2) years)

For more information regarding the Janesville Fire Department's recruitment procedure, please contact the Fire Department at 373-3434.

EXPLORER POST 555

The Janesville Fire Department Explorer Post is an organization of young adults between the ages of fourteen and twenty-one. The main objective of Post 555 is to introduce its members to the fire service, Emergency Medical Services (EMS), rescue, and all other related areas of fire suppression. Explorers will learn about these areas through lectures and practical application. Other activities may include field trips, fund raisers, and ride-along opportunities.

Anyone interested in becoming a member of the Explorer Post must be willing to attend monthly meetings and training sessions.

Contact Cathy Erdman for more information at erdmanc@ci.janesville.wi.us.