

# FRIENDSHIP FIRE COMPANY OF HELLAM

## York County Station 21

April 2025 Report

Hellam Fire Company

For the month of March, the Hellam Fire Company responded to 56 calls with 32 (57%) in Hellam Township. Year to date for 2025, we responded to 162 calls with 78 (48%) in Hellam Township. Last March, there were 46 calls with 23 (50%) in the Township and 161 calls year to date with 90 (56%) in the Township. There were two automatic fire alarm reports submitted this month.

Members trained on forcible entry practices for various types of doors. Witmer Automation has been gracious to allow the house at the corner of Lincoln Highway and Ducktown Road to be used for training until it is razed. We are thankful for the opportunity to train in a building with construction typical of homes in the area.

Our Holmatro hydraulic rescue tools received their annual service and maintenance. Members also completed a scheduled standby for Eagle Fire Company in Mt. Wolf, a walkthrough of the Eastern York High School as part of the ongoing active shooter planning, and attended the funeral services for Joel Holtzinger of Wrightsville Fire Department.

Our spring Gun Feed was held with excellent attendance. We are still collecting the numbers but this event appears to be one of the most profitable Gun Feeds we have had so far.

We responded to two working fires in March. The first was a fully engulfed house on River Drive where one deceased individual was found inside the house. Many parts of the incident are still under investigation by Hellam Township PD, PSP Fire Marshal, and the York County Coroner. A second mutual aid fire in Springettsbury Township involved a large garage with multiple vehicles inside.

Respectfully,

Eric Strittmatter

Chief, Hellam Fire Company