

D14 FY 2023 Annual Report of Training

D14 contracted with the MA Fire Academy (MFA) and was able to host two Fire Instructor 1 classes. Each of the two training sessions were able to provide 24 students training to the NFPA standard for Instructor 1. The first session was held at Hudson Fire HQ in January 2023 and the second session is in Westborough in February 2023. Special thanks to Hudson and Westborough for their hosting.

D14 had been working with the MFA in scheduling Fire Officer 1 training. The intent was to hold consecutive classes of 24 like we did with Instructor 1. This did not come to fruition. Due to scheduling issues we were offered one class of 24 for August of 2023. Because of the summer timeframe there were not enough candidates enrolled and the class was postponed to another time within the year.

The MFA has had a long term vacancy for its Director. The new MFA Director Jeff Winn started in early January. Jeff recently retired from the military and has a call/vol. background and lives within D14. A productive meeting was held with the new Director addressing concerns of enrollment, certification and Recruit waitlist. Director Winn was invited to one of our spring meetings and was able to speak with Chiefs of the District directly.

We will continue to push forward in advancing levels of training for our dept. members.

Respectfully submitted,

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