



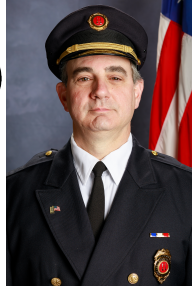
UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS FIRE DEPARTMENT

Monthly Report

February 2024

The University Heights Fire Department must always be vigilant and alert to its mission to fight fires, save lives and property, and be prepared to respond to any emergency.

Employee Spotlight



Captain Peter Pucella retired on February 1, 2024 after 33 years of dedicated service. Congratulations on your retirement!

Congratulations to our newly promoted officers!



*Lieutenant Luke Curkowicz
Fire Prevention Bureau*

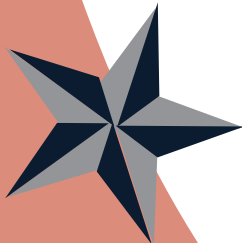


*Lieutenant Joe McGee
A-Shift*



*Captain John Novosielski
B-Shift*

WORK ANNIVERSARIES



Captain Brian Phan
35 Years of Dedicated Service



DEPARTMENT STATISTICS


Incidents by Service Type

Types of Calls	Feb. 2024	Feb. 2023	Year to Date (2024)	Year to Date (2023)	Percent Difference
FIRE/RESCUE	74	74	177	133	33.08%
EMERGENCY MEDICAL	104	127	247	218	13.30%
PUBLIC SERVICE	8	19	23	37	(37.84%)
TOTAL INCIDENTS	186	220	447	388	15.20%

Mutual/Auto Aid Incidents

Types of Aid	Feb. 2024	Feb. 2023	Year to Date (2024)	Year to Date (2023)
AID GIVEN	35	47	85	90
AID RECEIVED	17	23	36	38
TOTAL INCIDENTS	52	70	121	128

Average Response Times

	Feb. 2024	Feb. 2023	Year to Date (2024)	Year to Date (2023)
	4:30	4:09	4:33	4:14

<i>Overlapping Calls</i>	Feb. 2024	Feb. 2023	Year to Date (2024)	Year to Date (2023)
	40	61	89	94

Property Valued Saved/Loss for February 2024

TOTAL POTENTIAL PROPERTY LOSS	\$8,000.00
TOTAL PROPERTY LOSS (FIRE)	\$500.00
TOTAL PROPERTY SAVED (FIRE)	\$7,500.00

<i>Monthly Training Hours</i>	Feb. 2024	Year to Date (2024)
	694 hours	1,609 hours



FIRE PREVENTION BUREAU COMMUNITY & RISK REDUCTION



Community Engagement

CAR SEAT INSTALLATION	1
HOME FIRE SAFETY INSPECTION	2
OTHER	1



FPB Inspections

ANNUAL INSPECTIONS	26
REFERRAL/CONSULTATIONS	1
FIRE ALARM TESTS	3
REINSPECTIONS	9
SPRINKLER TEST	3
HOOD TEST	1
PLAN REVIEW	1
PAPERWORK/MISC.	5
ACCEPTANCE TEST	1
SITE INSPECTION	1
THIRD INSPECTION	2

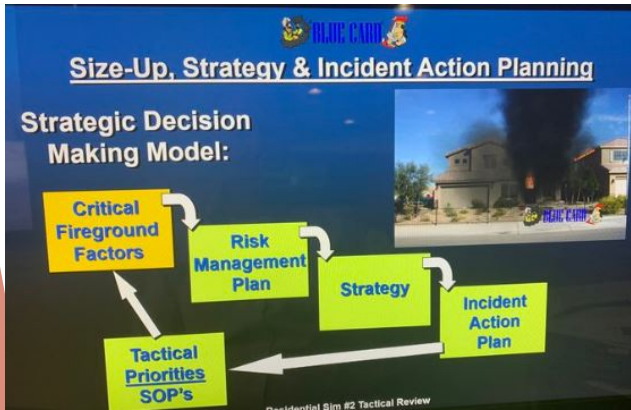


Fire & Rescue Training

- Blue Card Incident Command
- Scene Size-Up
- Tactical Worksheets
- Building Construction
- Company Operations
- Driver/Operator Training

East Tech Training

UHFD technical rescue team members participated in ropes training.



EMS Training

Monthly EMS Topic

2024 Protocol Updates
EMS Protocol Treatment and Transport Review
Provided by our Medical Control Provider, University Hospital

Carbon Monoxide Safety



Often called the invisible killer, carbon monoxide is an invisible, odorless, colorless gas created when fuels (such as gasoline, wood, coal, natural gas, propane, oil, and methane) burn incompletely. In the home, heating and cooking equipment that burn fuel can be sources of carbon monoxide.

- CO alarms should be installed in a central location outside each sleeping area and on every level of the home and in other locations where required by applicable laws, codes or standards. For the best protection, interconnect all CO alarms throughout the home. When one sounds, they all sound.
- Follow the manufacturer's instructions for placement and mounting height.
- Choose a CO alarm that is listed by a qualified testing laboratory.
- Call your local fire department's non-emergency number to find out what number to call if the CO alarm sounds.
- Test CO alarms at least once a month; replace them according to the manufacturer's instructions.
- If the audible trouble signal sounds, check for low batteries. If the battery is low, replace it. If it still sounds, call the fire department.
- If the CO alarm sounds, immediately move to a fresh air location outdoors or by an open window or door. Make sure everyone inside the home is accounted for. Call for help from a fresh air location and stay there until emergency personnel declare that it is safe to re-enter the home.
- If you need to warm a vehicle, remove it from the garage immediately after starting it. Do not run a vehicle or other fueled engine or motor indoors, even if garage doors are open. Make sure the exhaust pipe of a running vehicle is not covered with snow.
- During and after a snowstorm, make sure vents for the dryer, furnace, stove, and fireplace are clear of snow build-up.
- A generator should be used in a well-ventilated location outdoors away from windows, doors and vent openings.
- Gas or charcoal grills can produce CO — only use outside.

HOME HEATING EQUIPMENT



Have fuel-burning heating equipment and chimneys inspected by a professional every year before cold weather sets in. When using a fireplace, open the flue for adequate ventilation. Never use your oven to heat your home.

FACTS

- ❗ A person can be poisoned by a small amount of CO over a longer period of time or by a large amount of CO over a shorter amount of time.
- ❗ In 2010, U.S. fire departments responded to an estimated 80,100 non-fire CO incidents in which carbon monoxide was found, or an average of nine calls per hour.



NATIONAL FIRE PROTECTION ASSOCIATION

The leading information and knowledge resource on fire, electrical and related hazards



GET TO KNOW US!

Community Risk Reduction is a crucial function of the University Heights Fire Department. Our Fire Prevention Bureau manages the following programs:

- *CPR Training*
- *Home Safety Inspection*
- *Smoke Detector Installation*
- *Car Seat Installation*
- *Lock Box Installation*
- *Fire House Open House*
- *Extinguisher Training*
- *Blood Pressure & Health Screenings*
- *Block Parties*
- *Station Tours*
- *Safety Talks*



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