



# UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS FIRE DEPARTMENT

## Monthly Report

March 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

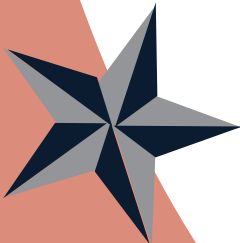


Firefighter Picone, as Acting Officer and Truck Boss of 1121, did an outstanding job leading his crew on back to back structure fires in East Cleveland. He kept his crew informed and led them to complete all assigned tasks in a highly effective manner. His “can do” attitude on the fireground and in the fire house make him an invaluable asset to the OIC and the department as a whole.



Firefighters Foster, Lee, and Respondek are commended by Captain Phan for excellent work done at a house fire on 3/9/2024 on Goodnor Road in the city of Cleveland Heights.

## WORK ANNIVERSARIES



**Lieutenant Lukasz Curkowicz**  
*11 Years of Dedicated Service*



# DEPARTMENT STATISTICS


## Incidents by Service Type

Types of Calls	March 2024	March 2023	Year to Date (2024)	Year to Date (2023)	Percent Difference
FIRE/RESCUE	82	86	232	219	5.94%
EMERGENCY MEDICAL	112	116	321	334	3.89%
PUBLIC SERVICE	7	22	27	59	(54.24%)
<b>TOTAL INCIDENTS</b>	<b>201</b>	<b>224</b>	<b>580</b>	<b>612</b>	<b>5.23%</b>

## Mutual/Auto Aid Incidents

Types of Aid	March 2024	March 2023	Year to Date (2024)	Year to Date (2023)
AID GIVEN	39	52	110	142
AID RECEIVED	22	16	50	54
<b>TOTAL INCIDENTS</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>160</b>	<b>196</b>

## Average Response Times

	March 2024	March 2023	Year to Date (2024)	Year to Date (2023)
	4:08	4:07	4:27	4:12

<i>Overlapping Calls</i>	March 2024	March 2023	Year to Date (2024)	Year to Date (2023)
	35	55	113	149

## Property Valued Saved/Loss for March 2024

TOTAL POTENTIAL PROPERTY LOSS	\$0.00
TOTAL PROPERTY LOSS (FIRE)	\$0.00
TOTAL PROPERTY SAVED (FIRE)	\$0.00

<i>Monthly Training Hours</i>	March 2024	Year to Date (2024)
	810 hours	2,824 hours



# **FIRE PREVENTION BUREAU COMMUNITY & RISK REDUCTION**



*Community Engagement*

<b>CAR SEAT INSTALLATION</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>HOME FIRE SAFETY INSPECTION</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>OTHER</b>	<b>2</b>



*FPB Inspections*

<b>ANNUAL INSPECTIONS</b>	<b>33</b>
<b>REFERRAL/CONSULTATIONS</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>FIRE ALARM TESTS</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>REINSPECTIONS</b>	<b>21</b>
<b>FOSTER/ADOPTION/GROUP HOME INSPECTION</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>HOOD TEST</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>PLAN REVIEW</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>PAPERWORK/MISC.</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>ACCEPTANCE TEST</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>FOOD TRUCK INSPECTION</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>THIRD INSPECTION</b>	<b>1</b>



# Excellence *through* TRAINING



## Fire & Rescue Training

- Forcible Entry
- SCBA Breathe Down Drill
- SCBA and RIT pack proficiency
- SCBA operational proficiency



## East Tech Training

UHFD technical rescue team members did not have scheduled training in the month of March. Training will resume in April.



## EMS Training

### Monthly EMS Topic

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

# Lightning Safety

Thunder and lightning storms happen all the time. Know what to do to keep you and your family safe when storms strike!

## Safety Tips

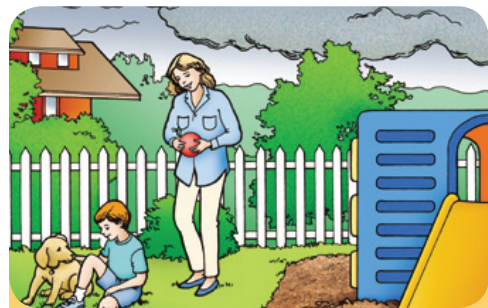
### Outdoor Safety

- **If you can hear** thunder, you are within striking distance of lightning. Look for shelter inside a home, large building, or a hard-topped vehicle right away.
- **Do not go under** trees for shelter. There is no place outside that is safe during a thunderstorm.
- **Wait at least 30 minutes** after hearing the last clap of thunder before leaving your shelter.
- **Stay away** from windows and doors. Stay off porches.
- **There is no safe place outside.** Places with only a roof on sports fields, golf courses, and picnic areas are not safe during a lightning storm. Small sheds should not be used.
- **If a person is struck** by lightning, call **9-1-1**. Get medical help right away.

### Indoor Safety

Turn off computers. Stay off corded phones, computers, and other things that put you in direct contact with electricity or plumbing. You **can use** a cell or cordless phone.

**Do not** wash your hands, bathe, shower, do laundry, or wash dishes.



### FAST FACTS

Lightning may strike as far as **10 miles** from any rain.



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# Check

# ...and recheck!

## Spot the 10 differences between the two pictures!

# KIDS CORNER

**10 Answers:**  
 Chair color  
 Chair pillow  
 Toys in basket  
 Stuffed animal in girl's hand  
 Mom's hair  
 Mom's outfit  
 Mom's shoes  
 Couch furnishing  
 Table items  
 Elder girl wearing glasses



Make sure your family has a **home fire escape plan** with **two ways out** of every room.



# Kids

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# 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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