



UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS FIRE DEPARTMENT

Monthly Report

October 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



Fire Prevention Week occurs every year in the month of October. During the month of October, all three shifts provided fire education to classes at GESU. Approximately 85 students attended safety talks and demonstrations with our firefighters.



WORK ANNIVERSARIES



Firefighter Tom Hren
24 Years of Dedicated Service



Firefighter Connor Bachmann
3 year of Dedicated Service



DEPARTMENT STATISTICS


Incidents by Service Type

Types of Calls	Oct. 2024	Oct. 2023	Year to Date (2024)	Year to Date (2023)	Percent Difference
FIRE/RESCUE	80	81	840	929	9.58%
EMERGENCY MEDICAL	126	124	1,147	1,074	6.80%
PUBLIC SERVICE	14	18	145	191	24.08%
TOTAL INCIDENTS	220	223	2,132	2,194	2.83%

Mutual/Auto Aid Incidents

Types of Aid	Oct. 2024	Oct. 2023	Year to Date (2024)	Year to Date (2023)
AID GIVEN	48	46	402	527
AID RECEIVED	30	31	199	224
TOTAL INCIDENTS	78	77	601	751

Average Response Times

	Oct.2024	Oct. 2023	Year to Date (2024)	Year to Date (2023)
	4:17	4:03	4:12	3:58

<i>Overlapping Calls</i>	Oct. 2024	Oct. 2023	Year to Date (2024)	Year to Date (2023)
	45	56	497	556

Property Valued Saved/Loss for October 2024

TOTAL POTENTIAL PROPERTY LOSS	\$62,800.00
TOTAL PROPERTY LOSS (FIRE)	\$27,800.00
TOTAL PROPERTY SAVED (FIRE)	\$35,000.00

<i>Monthly Training Hours</i>	October 2024	Year to Date (2024)
	825 hours	8,652 hours



FIRE PREVENTION BUREAU COMMUNITY & RISK REDUCTION



Community Engagement

HOME FIRE SAFETY INSPECTION	3
CAR SEAT INSTALLATION	1
LOCK BOX INSTALLATION	1
BLOCK PARTY	1
COMMUNITY EDUCATION	1
OTHER	2



FPB Inspections

ANNUAL INSPECTIONS	2
REFERRAL/CONSULTATIONS	1
FIRE ALARM TESTS	2
REINSPECTIONS	8
SITE INSPECTION	2
SPRINKLER ACCEPTANCE TEST	2
THIRD INSPECTION	2
FOURTH INSPECTION	2



Excellence *through* TRAINING



East Tech Training

UHFD technical rescue team members participated in Dive training in the month of October.

Fire & Rescue Training

- Emergency Vehicle Operation Course
- Probationary Training
- Driver Training



EMS Training

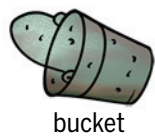
Monthly EMS Topic

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



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Sparky paw print

fire truck

acorn

Learn the Sounds of Fire Safety™



Is there a beep or a chirp coming out of your smoke or carbon monoxide alarm? What does it all mean? Knowing the difference can save you, your home, and your family! Make sure everyone in the home understands the sounds of the smoke and carbon monoxide alarms and knows how to respond. Learn the sounds of your smoke and carbon monoxide alarms by checking the user guide or search the brand and model online.

What is your alarm telling you?

SMOKE ALARMS

- A continued set of three loud beeps—beep, beep, beep—means smoke or fire. Get out, call **9-1-1**, and stay out.
- A single “chirp” every 30 or 60 seconds means the battery is low and must be changed.
- All smoke alarms must be replaced after 10 years.
- Chirping that continues after the battery has been replaced means the alarm is at the end of its life and the unit must be replaced.

CARBON MONOXIDE (CO) ALARMS

- A continuous set of four loud beeps—beep, beep, beep, beep—means carbon monoxide is present in your home. Go outside, call **9-1-1** and stay out.
- A single chirp every 30 or 60 seconds means the battery is low and must be replaced.
- CO alarms also have “end of life” sounds that vary by manufacturer. This means it’s time to get a new CO alarm.
- Chirping that continues after the battery has been replaced means the alarm is at the end of its life and the unit must be replaced.

Make sure your smoke and CO alarms meet the needs of everyone in your home, including those with sensory or physical disabilities.

Some tips:

- ✓ Install a bedside alert device that responds to the sound of the smoke and CO alarms. Use of a low frequency alarm can also wake a sleeping person with mild to severe hearing loss.
- ✓ Sleep with your mobility device, glasses, and phone close to your bed.
- ✓ Keep pathways like hallways lit with night lights and free from clutter to make sure everyone can get out safely.

Hear a Beep, Get On Your Feet!

Get out and stay out! Call 9-1-1 from outside.



Hear a Chirp, Make a Change!

A chirping alarm needs attention. Replace the batteries or the entire unit if it's over 10 years old.

If you don't remember how old the unit is, replace it!



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2024 OPEN HOUSE

Thank you to everyone that came out and joined us for our annual Open House! See you next year and stay safe!





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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