



# UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS FIRE DEPARTMENT

## Monthly Report

March 2025

*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



We would like to recognize Lt. Chris Calo for his commitment and dedication overseeing the department's IT needs. Most of his work is behind the scenes and goes unnoticed. Yet the work he does is paramount to the everyday operational needs of the department. Lt. Calo spends countless hours both on shift and on his own time to ensure the hardware and software programs serve our needs. He works closely with Starfish, the city's IT vendor, and members of the department to ensure all problems encountered are addressed or resolved, minimizing or eliminating any problems that impede our ability to do our jobs. Notably in March, Lt. Calo purchased and installed new computers and added them to our network, updated software, and conducted shift training for those updates.

## WORK ANNIVERSARIES



**FPO/Lieutenant Lukasz Curkowicz**  
*12 Years of Dedicated Service*



# DEPARTMENT STATISTICS


## Incidents by Service Type

| Types of Calls         | March 2025 | March 2024 | Year to Date (2025) | Year to Date (2024) | Percent Difference |
|------------------------|------------|------------|---------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| FIRE/RESCUE            | 77         | 82         | 229                 | 232                 | 1.29%              |
| EMERGENCY MEDICAL      | 106        | 112        | 375                 | 321                 | 16.82%             |
| PUBLIC SERVICE         | 15         | 7          | 52                  | 27                  | 92.59%             |
| <b>TOTAL INCIDENTS</b> | <b>198</b> | <b>201</b> | <b>656</b>          | <b>580</b>          | <b>13.10%</b>      |

## Mutual/Auto Aid Incidents

| Types of Aid           | March 2025 | March 2024 | Year to Date (2025) | Year to Date (2024) |
|------------------------|------------|------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| AID GIVEN              | 29         | 39         | 119                 | 110                 |
| AID RECEIVED           | 31         | 22         | 93                  | 50                  |
| <b>TOTAL INCIDENTS</b> | <b>60</b>  | <b>61</b>  | <b>212</b>          | <b>160</b>          |

## Average Response Times

|  | March 2025 | March 2024 | Year to Date (2025) | Year to Date (2024) |
|--|------------|------------|---------------------|---------------------|
|  | 5:16       | 4:30       | 5:14                | 4:37                |

| <i>Overlapping Calls</i> | March 2025 | March 2024 | Year to Date (2025) | Year to Date (2024) |
|--------------------------|------------|------------|---------------------|---------------------|
|                          | 54         | 35         | 235                 | 113                 |

## Property Valued Saved/Loss for March 2025

|                               |             |
|-------------------------------|-------------|
| TOTAL POTENTIAL PROPERTY LOSS | \$50,000.00 |
| TOTAL PROPERTY LOSS (FIRE)    | \$5,000.00  |
| TOTAL PROPERTY SAVED (FIRE)   | \$45,000.00 |

| <i>Monthly Training Hours</i> | March 2025 | Year to Date (2025) |
|-------------------------------|------------|---------------------|
|                               | 441 hours  | 1,587.50 hours      |



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



*Community Engagement*

|                                    |          |
|------------------------------------|----------|
| <b>HOME FIRE SAFETY INSPECTION</b> | <b>1</b> |
| <b>CAR SEAT INSTALLATION</b>       | <b>1</b> |



*FPB Inspections*

|  |           |
|--|-----------|
| <b>ANNUAL INSPECTIONS</b>                | <b>40</b> |
| <b>REINSPECTIONS</b>                     | <b>24</b> |
| <b>FIRE ALARM TESTS</b>                  | <b>3</b>  |
| <b>SPRINKLER ACCEPTANCE TEST</b>         | <b>1</b>  |
| <b>GROUP HOME/FOSTER CARE INSPECTION</b> | <b>1</b>  |
| <b>HOOD &amp; DUCT INSPECTION</b>        | <b>6</b>  |



# Excellence through TRAINING

A black silhouette of a firefighter in a crouching position, wearing a helmet and carrying a fire hose. Three white stars are positioned on the firefighter's chest.

## Fire & Rescue Training

- Lexipol Policy Review
- FirstDue Training



## East Tech Training

UHFD technical rescue team members participated in structural collapse and confined space training in March. Members rotated through stations building doors, two post shores, confined space victim retrieval using three different methods, and constructing raker shores.



## EMS Training

### Monthly EMS Topic

2025 Protocol Updates  
EMS Protocol Treatment and Transport Review  
Provided by our Medical Control Provider,  
University Hospital

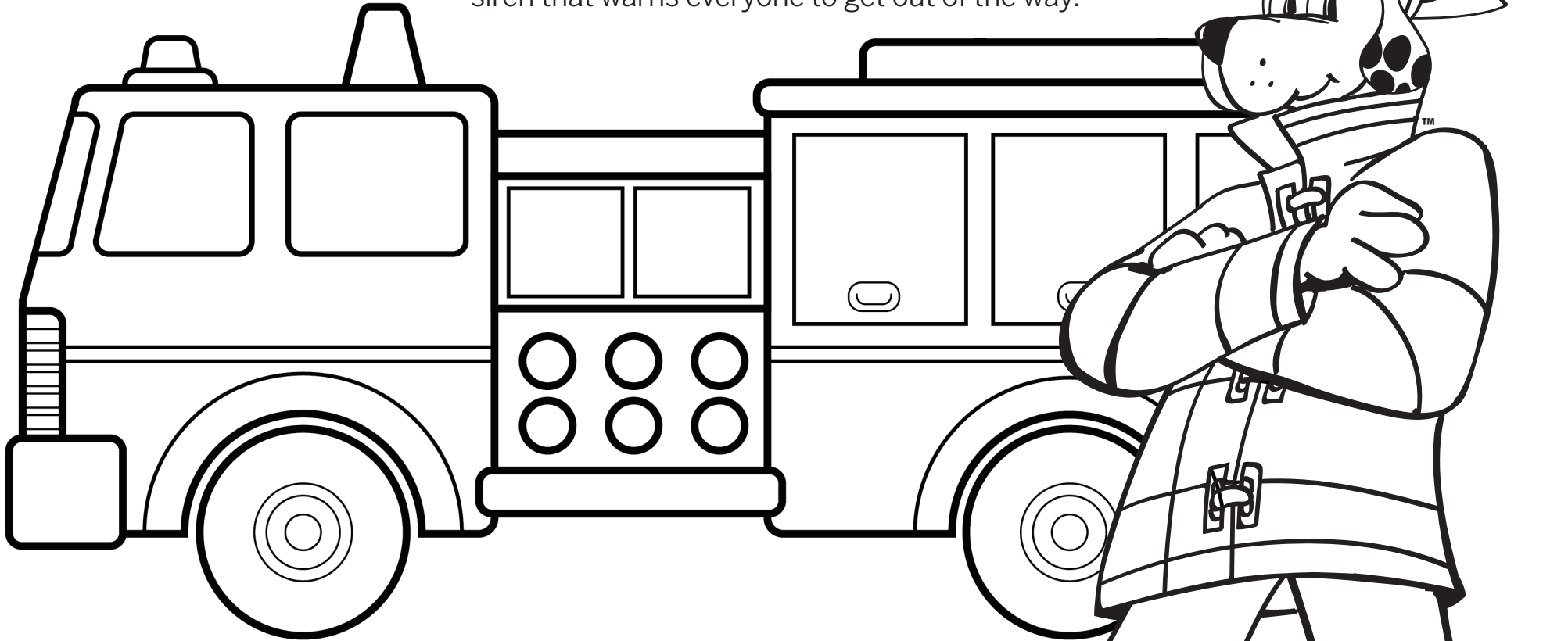
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# Fire Truck Fun

**Sparky the Fire Dog® loves to ride on fire trucks.**

He likes the way the wind blows his ears and the loud siren that warns everyone to get out of the way.



Follow the directions below to color Sparky and his truck!

Sparky's helmet and coat keep him safe during a fire. Color them with **YELLOW** with **RED** stripes.

The fire truck gets Sparky to the fire fast! Color it **RED**.

Sparky's boots protect his feet. Color them **YELLOW**.



**Kids**

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# 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

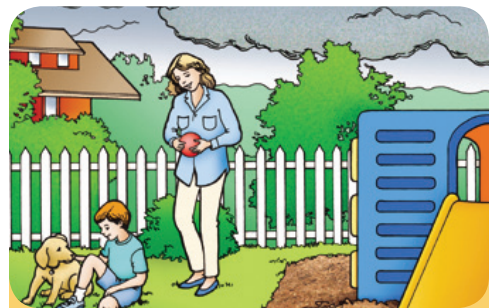
### Outdoor Safety

- **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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# FYI.....

**SAVE THE DATE**

**2ND ANNUAL FIREFIGHTERS OF  
UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS CHARITIES  
GOLF OUTING**



Scan the QR  
code to get your  
Pappy raffle  
tickets!



Raffle Winners  
will be  
announced at  
the outing!

**Fox Den Golf Course  
Stow, Ohio**

**AUGUST 1ST, | REGISTRATION OPENS  
2025 | MAY 1ST, 2025**



# 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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