



UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS FIRE DEPARTMENT

Monthly Report

September 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



UHFD Tower 1121 and Command 1153 assisted East Cleveland FD September 8th at an occupied residential structure fire. Members from East Cleveland FD rescued 2 dogs and 5 puppies. All members from UHFD, East Cleveland FD & Cleveland Heights FD assisted with resuscitation efforts that resulted in all successful saves of all the dogs. Great job all!



1121 Roof Operations
Commercial Building fire with East Cleveland FD



1121 Roof Operations
Residential Building fire with Cleveland Heights FD

WORK ANNIVERSARIES



Firefighter Travis Krieger
6 Years of Dedicated Service



Firefighter Jacob Respondek
2 Years of Dedicated Service



DEPARTMENT STATISTICS


Incidents by Service Type

Types of Calls	Sept. 2025	Sept. 2024	Year to Date (2025)	Year to Date (2024)	Percent Difference
FIRE/RESCUE	93	55	798	760	5.00%
EMERGENCY MEDICAL	133	102	1,073	1,021	5.09%
PUBLIC SERVICE	21	23	173	131	32.06%
TOTAL INCIDENTS	247	180	2,044	1,912	6.90%

Mutual/Auto Aid Incidents

Types of Aid	Sept. 2025	Sept. 2024	Year to Date (2025)	Year to Date (2024)
AID GIVEN	34	28	355	354
AID RECEIVED	48	14	323	169
TOTAL INCIDENTS	82	42	678	523

Average Response Times

	Sept. 2025	Sept. 2024	Year to Date (2025)	Year to Date (2024)
	4:14	4:40	4:36	4:39

<i>Overlapping Calls</i>	Sept. 2025	Sept. 2024	Year to Date (2025)	Year to Date (2024)
	101	27	667	452

Property Valued Saved/Loss for September 2025

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

<i>Monthly Training Hours</i>	Sept. 2025	Year to Date (2025)
	535 hours	5,718 hours



FIRE PREVENTION BUREAU COMMUNITY & RISK REDUCTION



Community Engagement

HOME FIRE SAFETY INSPECTION	1
STUDENT RIDER	8
CITY EVENTS	3
BLOCK PARTY	20
CAR SEAT INSTALLATION	2



FPB Inspections

ANNUAL INSPECTIONS	10
FIRE ALARM TESTS	1
GROUP HOME/FOSTER HOME INSPECTION	1
LIFE SAFETY REVIEW	1
SPRINKLER TEST	4
HOOD SYSTEM TEST	1
TENT INSPECTION	1



Excellence through TRAINING



Fire & Rescue Training

Regional Fire training conducted - crews from UH, South Euclid, and East Cleveland competed over 3 days, performing Engine Company and Truck Company skills. South Euclid C-Shift had the fastest time for the Truck Company operations, while UH C-Shift brought home the trophy for Engine Company Operations.



East Tech Training

UHFD technical rescue team members participated in Trench Training during the month of September.



EMS Training

Monthly EMS Topic

Pediatrics EMS Continuing Education
Provided by our Medical Control Provider, University Hospital

CHARGE into Fire Safety™

Lithium-Ion Batteries in Your Home

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BUY only listed products. When buying a product that uses a lithium-ion battery look for a safety certification mark such as UL, ETL, or CSA. This means it meets important safety standards.



STOP using your device right away if the battery smells weird, gets too hot, makes popping noises, changes in shape or color. If it is safe, move the device away from anything that can catch fire. Call **9-1-1**.



CHARGE devices safely. Always use the cables that came with the product to charge. Follow the instructions from the manufacturer. Buy new chargers from the manufacturer or one that the manufacturer has approved.



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RECYCLE your device or battery at a safe battery recycling location. Visit call2recycle.org to find a recycling spot near you.



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Climb and Slide



Help Sparky® get to his **outside meeting place** while having some spooky fun! Roll the dice and move around the game board. Practice reading each word that you land on. If you land on a **ladder**, you can climb **up**. If you land on a **bat**, you slide **down**.
Tip: Use a coin or eraser as a game piece.

31. 	32. FIRE	33. SLIP	34. 	35. 
30. 	29. TRIP	28. 	27. HAND	26. 
21. BALL	22. 	23. 	24. TEST	25. 
20. 	19. 	18. SLUG	17. AWAY	16. 
11. BEEP	12. 	13. HAND	14. 	15. LAKE
10. 	9. DUCK	8. 	7. 	6. DOOR
1. START 	2. WALL	3. PLAN	4. 	5. KEEP

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Fire Safety Key Words:

- 1. PLAN** 🐾 Everyone needs a home fire escape PLAN.
- 2. DOOR** 🐾 A home fire escape plan has 2 ways out of every room. One way out can be a DOOR and the second way out might be a window.
- 3. BEEP** 🐾 A smoke alarm makes a loud BEEP, BEEP, BEEP sound when there is smoke.
- 4. TEST** 🐾 Ask a grown-up to TEST the smoke alarms in your home every month.
- 5. FIRE** 🐾 Practice your home FIRE drill 2 times a year. Practice during the day and at night.



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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