



2018 Annual Report Fayette County Department of Fire & Emergency Services



All Emergencies - **911** General Information - 770.305.5414
www.fayettecountyga.gov/fire_ems

Emergency Management Agency

2018 brought a welcome break to Fayette County from any high-impact events requiring a disaster declaration, state, or federal aid, as had occurred in 2016 or 2017 when the county experienced damages from flooding and Hurricane Irma. The county did experience 90 significant weather alerts of varying types and was included by Governor Deal in one statewide State of Emergency when Hurricane Michael came ashore in the Gulf of Mexico and traveled across Georgia from Florida to the Carolinas. Fortunately, we had minimal impacts from the storm in Fayette County.

Emergency Management staff continued coordinating recovery efforts and reimbursements from the 2015/16 floods and 2017's Hurricane Irma. The Hurricane Irma Public Assistance reimbursement grant was closed out and the county recovered a total of \$116,549.90 out of \$121,218.15 in expenditures. There are two outstanding projects from the flood of 2015/16. Repairs and upgrades should be completed this year and the projects and reimbursements closed out.

Other activities included:

- Participation or evaluation of exercises, including GEMA/HS WinterEX and WebEOC drills, Fayette County Board of Education Reunification drill, Delta Air Lines Fuel Facility Response tabletop exercise, Piedmont Fayette Hospital Active Shooter tabletop exercise, and a tabletop exercise on severe weather response with Summit Endoscopy and District 4 Public Health.
- Assisted with planning and Public Safety operations for the Balloons Over Fayette event.
- Completed two RFP processes and received contract awards for Debris Management and Debris Monitoring contracts.
- Continued the Hazard Mitigation Plan update process.
- Assisted the Town of Tyrone with starting the process of seeking a Hazard Mitigation Grant to repair and upgrade the Pendleton Lake Dam to meet Category I Dam requirements.
- Developed evacuation and shelter-in-place plans for the Stonewall Administrative Complex.
- Coordinated an Emergency Management Assistance Compact request for the Building Safety Department to respond and assist the U.S. Virgin Islands with hurricane recovery activities.
- Assisted with various public relations events.



Fire/EMS Training

The Fire/EMS Training Section provides initial and recurrent training across all disciplines within the department. This Section also designs programs for professional development of employees. Training personnel interface with local, State and Federal agencies that govern and monitor Fire and EMS Training to ensure compliance.

Initial Firefighter Training-13 weeks-2 classes in 2018 37 Firefighters Trained

Initial Advanced EMT Training-16 weeks-1 class in 2017 13 AEMTs Trained

Continuing Education / Professional Development:

Fire Education hours-860 EMS Education hours-744



Fire Marshal's Office

The Fire Marshal's Office promotes safety and awareness to reduce the loss of lives and property to the citizens and businesses through public education, life safety inspections, fire investigations, building plan reviews and fire extinguisher training.

These missions are achieved by conducting fire safety education to all 3rd grade students within the unincorporated Fayette County Schools, providing public education to senior citizen organization groups, as well as fire extinguisher training to business owners and to the public within the community. Fire safety inspections are also conducted on all commercial buildings within Fayette County to insure life safety standards are met.

Inspections Conducted— **1,387**

Plan Reviews— **259**

Preplan Updates— **1,180**

New Businesses— **136**

Burn Permits Issued— **13,524** Residential
6 Commercial

Fire Investigations Conducted— **37**

Public Relations Programs— **93**

Total Public Education Participants— **7,569**

Smoke Detector Installations— **3** Residences

2018 Fire Loss— **\$1,286,500** Structural,
\$304,750 Vehicle, Brush and
Other

2018 Statistical Summary

Population Served.....	77,287	FY 2019 EMS Operating Budget.....	\$ 3,577,687
Protection Area in Square Miles.....	165	FY 2019 Fire Operating Budget.....	\$ 10,278,028
Number of Personnel.....	145	FY 2019 EMA Operating Budget.....	\$ 305,101
Number of Fire Stations.....	9		
Fire Mill Rate for CY 2017 is 3.07 or \$122.80 per year on \$100,000.			
EMS Mill Rate for CY 2017 is 0.456 or \$18.24 per year on \$100,000			

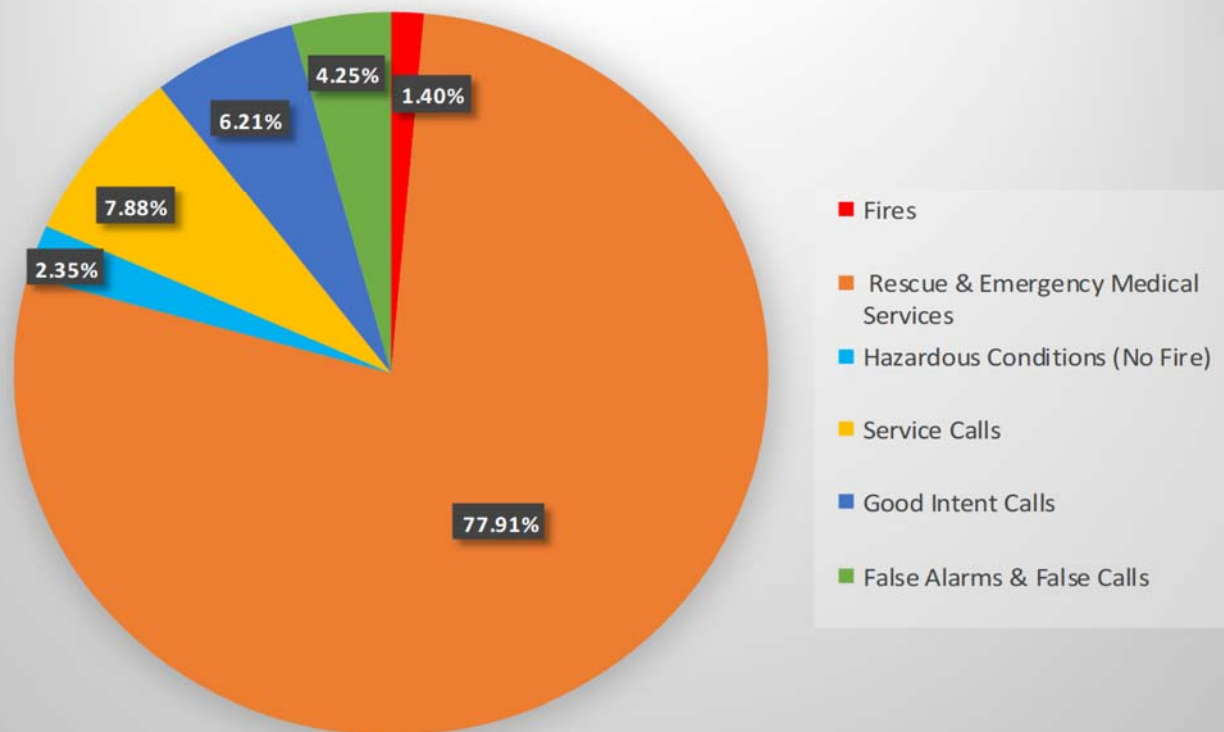
Incident Types

Total number of incidents	9,077
Rescue/Medical	7,072
Fire	127
Service Calls	715
Good Intent Calls	564
Hazardous Calls	213
False Alarms	386

Incident Response Times

Average Turnout Time.....	0:55
Average Department Response Time...	5:19
Average Ambulance Response Time.....	6:13

2018 Incident Distribution



2018 Departmental Accomplishments

Completed grading and site preparation for the new Fire Station Number 4.

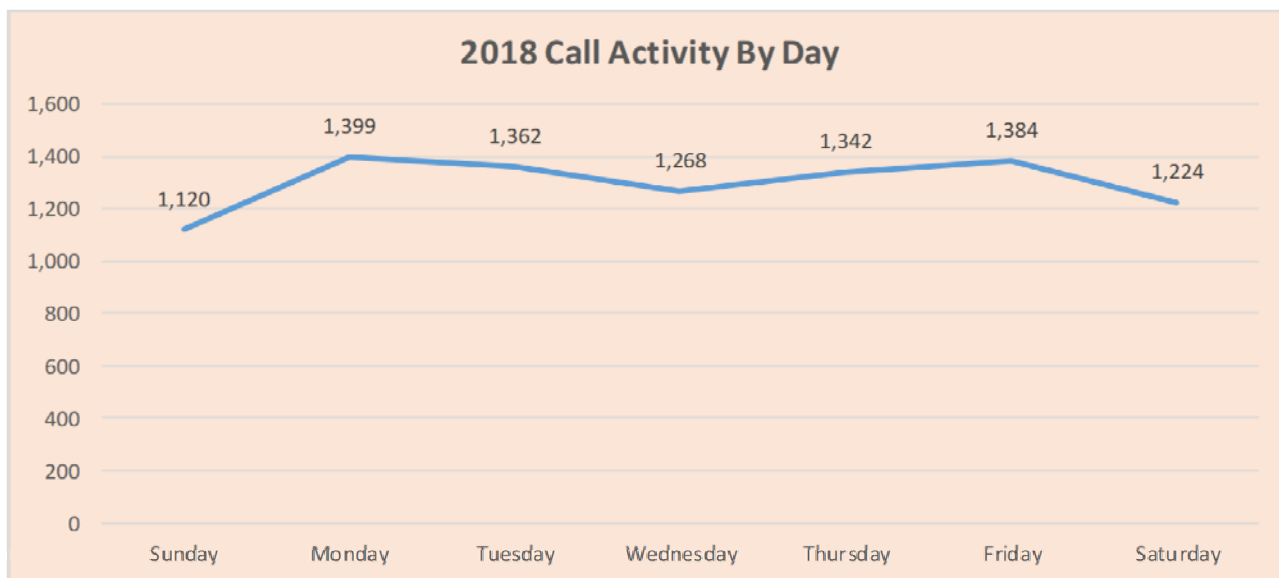
Implemented new program to manage Patient Behavioral Emergency calls, which will benefit patient treatment and facility placements.

Accepted and trained employees on new, updated Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) which will improve firefighting capability and fire victim location and rescue.

Approval of a sixth (6th) Ambulance unit to manage increased call volumes and maintain departmental response time goals.

Completed “Stop the Bleed” Training for School Nursing and Administrative Personnel.

Received a Donation of 3 Lucas CPR Devices and 1 Utility Task Vehicle from the Fayette Fire Foundation



Individual Unit Responses

Engine 1.....757

Engine 3.....848

Engine 4.....795

Engine 5.....535

Engine 6.....256

Engine 7.....322

Engine 11.....647

Quint 2.....488

Quint 10.....351

Medic 1.....1,621

Medic 3.....1,078

Medic 4.....2,347

Medic 5.....1,246

Medic 11.....1,565

Rescue 4.....309

Squad 2.....794

Squad 10.....1,397

Support Units.....126

Staff/Command.1,232

Total of all units' responses..16,744

Special Thank You

October 2018: The Fayette Fire Foundation in cooperation with the Kiwanis Club of Fayette County donated a Polaris Ranger UTV. This donation included the 2018 Ranger, a high pressure pump and water tank and transport trailer. The UTV will provide both off-road fire fighting capability as well as off-road transport of patients not readily accessible by standard ambulance.



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Outdoor Burning Ban: May 1 through September 30

Residential Burning Permits can be obtained at
www.fayettecountyga.gov/fire_ems/residential_burn_permit

Your local fire station can assist in burn permits

For Commercial Burning Permits Contact the Fire Marshal's Office