2019 Annual Report
Fayette County Department of Fire & Emergency Services

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www.fayettecountyga.gov/fire_ems

Emergency Management Agency

Emergency management staff continued coordination, planning, and liaison activities with municipal, state, federal, private sector, and non-governmental organizations to maintain Fayette County's ability to mitigate, prepare, respond, and recover from disasters while maintaining our eligibility for disaster assistance and reimbursement at the maximum level allowed.

In 2019 Fayette avoided any large-scale disasters requiring a disaster declaration, but we dealt with lower impact events such as minor flooding, drought, and unusually high temperatures.

One major effort this year has been working with Lux Mitigation Planning Corporation to engage our municipalities, county agencies, and the public to begin the Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan update that is required by FEMA every five years. This effort involves all parties to identify and prioritize community hazards, and then create measurable objectives to mitigate those hazards resulting in a safer community.

Other important activities and accomplishments for 2019 include:

- Public preparedness presentations
- Participation in five disaster exercises
- Attended five EMAG/GEMA Area 7 meetings/trainings
- Assisted with Balloons Over Fayette response preparation
- Presented at two Career Days with the FCBoE
- Completed NWS Storm Ready Community recertification
- Coordinated Hazard Mitigation grant applications
- Coordinated maintenance and testing of the outdoor warning siren system
- Assisted fire victims with liaison activities with the American Red Cross
- Assisted the Training Division with recruit check-offs
- Assisted the Bureau of Fire Prevention with the 3rd Grade Fire Safety Education Program

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/EMS Training to ensure compliance.

Initial Firefighter Training — 13 weeks – 1 class in 2019

Initial Advanced EMT Training — 16 weeks - 2 classes in 2019

Continuing Education / Professional Development:

Fire/EMS Company Training—22,801 hours

Burn Facility Training—2,620 hours

Driver Training—990 hours

Officer Training—600 hours

Hazardous Materials Training—934 Hours

Fire Marshal's Office

The Fire Marshal's Office provides public education and awareness throughout the community and school system to help in the reduction of fire and life loss through life safety inspections, commercial building plan reviews, fire extinguisher training and fire investigations.

Our missions are achieved through the delivery of the 3rd grade fire safety education programs to the Elementary Schools in unincorporated Fayette County, public education to our county seniors through the Fayette County Senior Center and other organizations and fire extinguisher training to the citizens and businesses of Fayette County.

Fire safety inspections are conducted on all businesses of unincorporated Fayette County as well as the Town of Brooks, Town of Woolsey and the Town of Tyrone. Plan reviews are conducted on all new structures built for Code Compliance and occupancy prior to construction and at completion.

Inspections Conducted— **1,040**

Plan Reviews— **156**

Preplan Updates— **1,180**

New Businesses— **156**

Burn Permits Issued— **11,902** Residential

8 Commercial

Fire Investigations Conducted— **28**

Public Relations Programs— 117

Total Public Education Participants— **8,609**

Smoke Detector Installations— **7** Residences

2019 Fire Loss— **$1,425,490** Structural,

$926,757 Vehicle, Brush and Other

2019 Statistical Summary

Population Served.....77,693

Protection Area in Square Miles.....165

Number of Personnel.....151

Number of Fire Stations.....9

FY 2019 EMS Operating Budget.....$3,536,872

FY 2019 Fire Operating Budget.....$11,349,506

FY 2019 EMA Operating Budget.....$313,818

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 9,231

- Rescue/Medical 7,027
- Fire 164
- Service Calls 853
- Good Intent Calls 552
- Hazardous Calls 242
- False Alarms 383
- Severe Weather Incidents.....10

Incident Response Times

Average Turnout Time.....1:09

Average Department Response Time...5:54

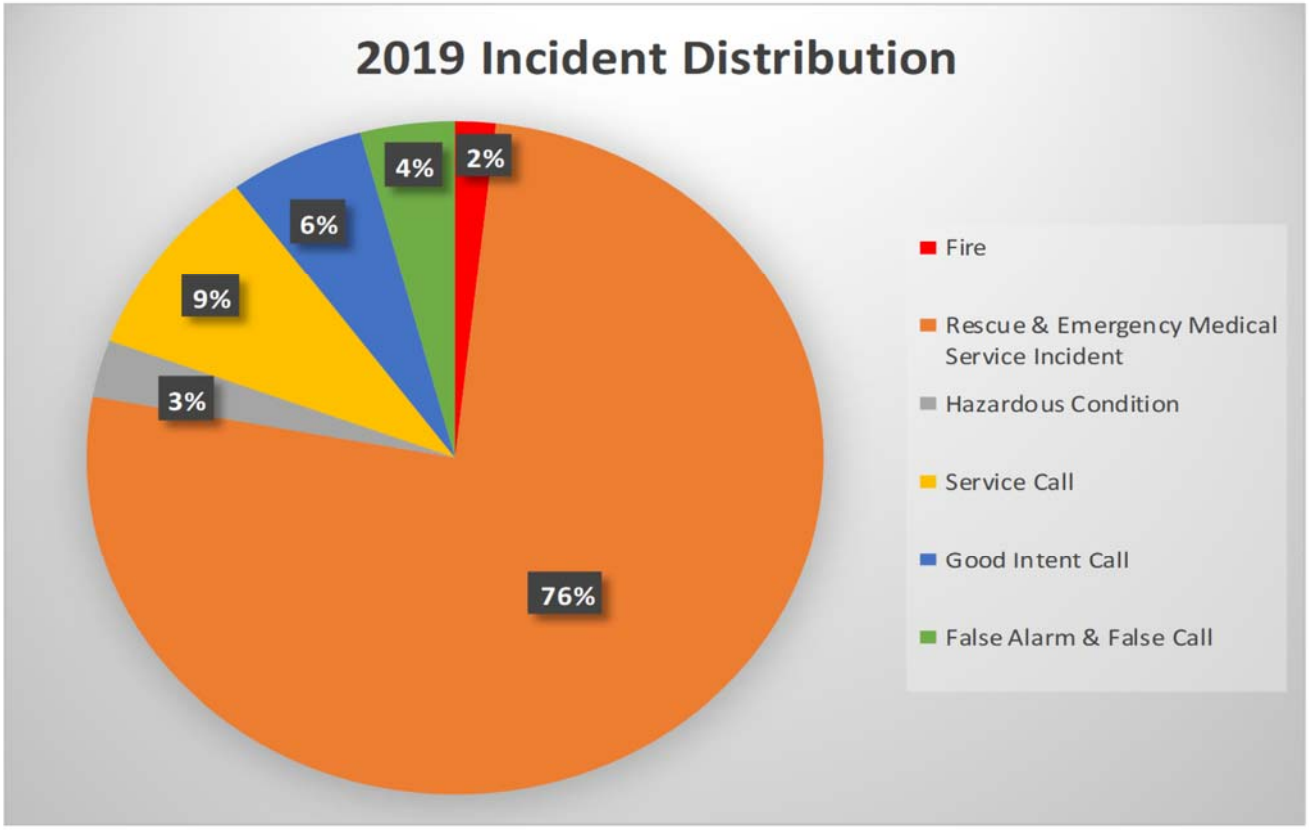
Average Ambulance Response Time.....6:39

Average Hospital Turnaround Time.....1:02

EMS Patient Contacts

Patient Encounters.....7,809

Patient Transports.....4,958



2019 Departmental Accomplishments

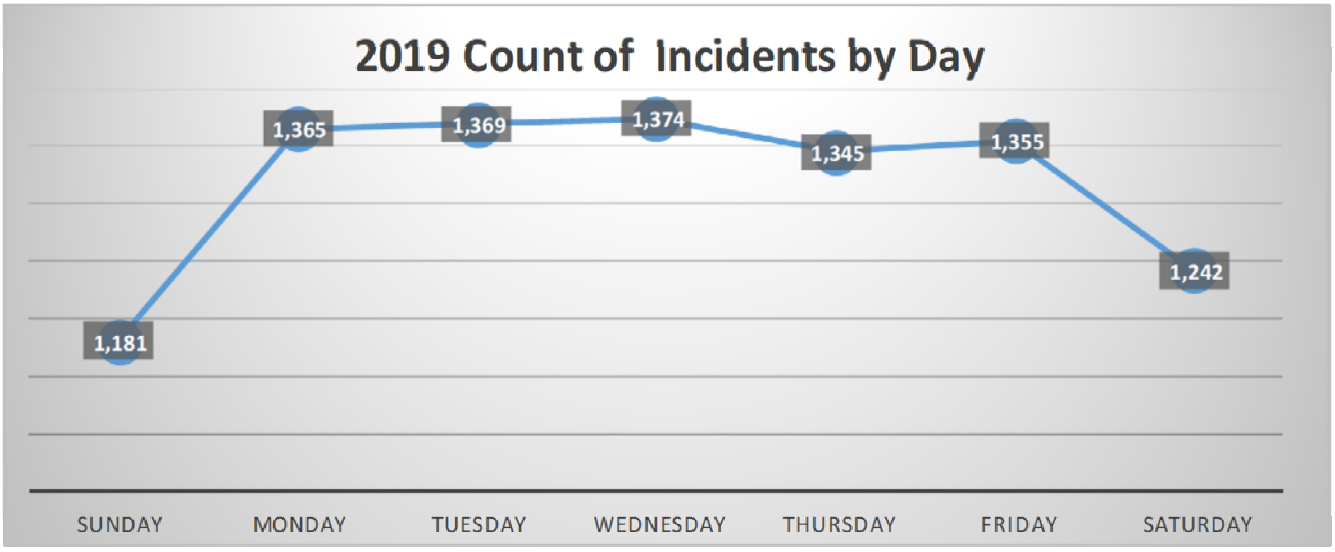
Continued grading and site preparation for the new Fire Stations Number 4 and 2.

Accepted delivery of 2 new pumpers, 2 new medic trucks, and 1 new tanker for improved Fire/EMS service delivery.

Completed first of 3 in-house paramedic programs in collaboration with Faithful Guardian Training Center.

Completed "Stop the Bleed" training for Board of Education School Bus Drivers.

Received a donation of 135 fire helmet mounted flashlights from the Fayette Fire Foundation.



Individual Unit Responses

Engine 1.....828
Engine 3.....814
Engine 4.....757
Engine 5.....558
Engine 6.....257
Engine 7.....401
Engine 11.....570
Quint 2.....531
Quint 10.....382
Medic 1.....1,491
Medic 3.....972
Medic 4.....2,303
Medic 5.....1,087
Medic 10.....609
Medic 11.....1,457
Rescue 4.....385
Squad 2.....645
Squad 10.....951
Support Units.....143
Staff/Command.1,178

Total of all units responses..16,319

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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