2024 Annual Report Fayette County Department of Fire & Emergency Services



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

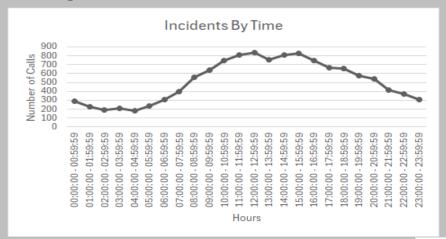


2024 Statistical Summary

Population Served82,807	FY 2024 FIRE Operating Budget\$17,308,898
Protection Area in Square Miles160	
Number of Personnel168	FY 2024 EMS Operating Budget\$5,498,707
Number of Fire Stations9	FY 2024 EMA Operating Budget\$413,277

Fire Millage Rate for CY 2024 is 3.07 or \$122.80 annually per \$100,000 of market value EMS Millage Rate for CY 2024 is 0.500 or \$20.00 annually per \$100,000 of market value

2024 Incident Statistical Summary



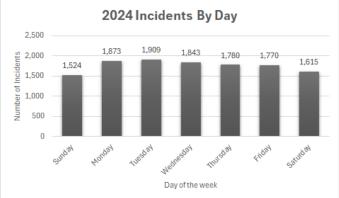
Incident Types

Total Number Of Incidents 12,314

Rescue/Medical	9,469
Fire	180
Service Calls	1,122
Good Intent Calls	670
Hazardous Calls	356
False Alarms	517

Overall 3 Year Comparison for Incidents

Incident Type	2022	2023	2024
Rescue/Medical	8,753	8,944	9,469
Fires	172	173	180
Service Calls	1,021	1,037	1,122
Good Intent	637	631	670
Hazardous	233	276	356
False Alarm	525	505	517
Total Incidents	11,341	11,566	12,314



Incident Notes

Average Turnout Time.....0:49

Average Department Response Time....5:31

Total Number of

Trauma Alerts......45
Cardiac Arrests.....115
Pediatic Trauma Alerts.....8
STEMI Alerts.....28
Stroke Alerts.....91

2024 Total Unit Responses - 23,755

Engine 1984 Engine 31,023 Engine 4974 Engine 5736	Rescue 4455 Squad 21,849	Medic 11,693 Medic 31,355 Medic 42,518 Medic 51,360
Engine 6314	* **	Medic 101,715
Engine 7580 Engine 11840	Support Units50 Staff/Command1,266	Medic 111,956 Reserve Medic89

Emergency Management Agency

Fayette County Emergency Management Agency is responsible for 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 2024, Fayette County was awarded a hazard mitigation grant in the amount of \$4,156,907. It will fund the purchase and installation of two 1000KW fixed generators which will support the Crosstown Water Treatment Plant. This award is part of FEMA's Hazard Mitigation Grant Program which provides funds to state agencies and local governments. Hazard mitigation grants allow our community to restore damaged infrastructure due to natural disasters while also supporting the efforts of Fayette County to better prepare for future emergencies.

Fayette County Emergency Management Agency has also established service agreements with CERES Environmental for debris removal and Tetra Tech for debris monitoring. Following a disaster, these contracts can be activated, if needed, by Fayette County or any of the municipalities within the County.

Other notable activities and accomplishments for 2024 include:

- Initiation of the update process for the Fayette County Hazard Mitigation Plan (update required every five years)
- Eligibility for an incentive program directed by the State of Georgia that qualifies Fayette County for a reduced cost share for FEMA-approved disaster expenses
- Coordinated with American Red Cross to evaluate shelter locations within Favette County
- Assisted the Fayette County Board of Education with the development and review of school safety plans
- Participation in three Fayette County disaster exercises
- Coordinated Hazard Mitigation grant applications
- Coordinated testing and maintenance of the outdoor warning siren system
- Assisted fire victims by performing liaison functions with the American Red Cross
- Assisted the Training Division with NPQ check-offs for fire recruits

Community Partnerships:













Fire/EMS Training

In 2024, the training division added two lieutenant positions to expand the range of courses offered to new and existing personnel. Two fire recruit classes were completed with a total of 25 personnel. Each class was 480 hours long and included both mental and physical challenges. Upon completion, these men and women successfully completed the National Professional Qualifications Firefighter Level I and II testing process, as well as Hazardous Materials Awareness and Operations levels.

The training division also completed a combined Emergency Medical Technician and Advanced Emergency Medical Technician class. The combined class was 760 hours long. Upon completion, these men and women successfully passed the National Registry Advanced Emergency Medical Technician cognitive exam to become Georgia state licensed Advanced Emergency Medical Technicians.

A Paramedic class was completed through a vendor, instructed by training division personnel, with a successful pass rate of 100%. The success of this class led the department to begin the accreditation process for a Paramedic initial educational program through the Committee on Accreditation of Educational Programs for the Emergency Medical Services Professions (CoAEMSP) and was issued a Letter of Review by CoAEMSP to begin classes. https://fayettecountyga.gov/fire_ems/paramedic-training





The training division, along with adjunct instructors from partnering agencies and line personnel, provided multiple continuing education courses. These courses expand the knowledge and skill set of personnel to ensure we provide the highest level of care and services to the citizens of Fayette County.

The classes provided in 2024 were: Fire Officer II, Fire Instructor II, Fire Apparatus Operator, Advanced Medical Life Support, Pre-Hospital Trauma Life Support, Emergency Pediatric Care, Pediatric Advance Life Support, Georgia Stroke Curriculum, 12-lead classes and Basic Life Support.

The training division and line personnel also provided mutual aid training with Clayton County Fire & Emergency Services, Fayetteville Fire Department and Peachtree City Fire Department to ensure familiarity with equipment and personnel to facilitate the rapid deployment of resources in the event of a large or complex incident. In addition to the training provided by the department, many personnel attended courses at the Georgia Public Safety Training Center, Metro Atlanta Firefighters Conference, Fire Department International Conference, Bearers of the Oath Conference as well as the Georgia Fire Service Conference.









Bureau Of Fire Prevention



The Fayette County Bureau of Fire Prevention is the first line of defense against loss of life and property due to fires in Fayette County, as well as the towns of Tyrone, Brooks, and Woolsey. Our community risk reduction program consists of annual fire and life safety inspections on commercial properties, life safety plan reviews on all new commercial construction and remodels, evaluations of commercial site plans and new residential subdivisions, quality public safety and fire prevention education programs, fire alarm and fire sprinkler acceptance testing, and origin and cause investigations of fires.

Fayette County's public safety education program provides life-saving information to citizens from school age to senior citizens. These programs include our 3rd Grade fire safety education at all elementary schools in unincorporated Fayette County, safety education at the Fayette Senior Center, events at local churches and businesses, and our Citizen's Fire Academy.

The division's members are trained as fire inspectors, fire investigators, public safety educators, and life safety plan reviewers. Each member attends over 100 hours per year of continuing education in a variety of life safety and fire prevention topics, including fire investigation, fire operations, inspections, fire code review and compliance, and best community risk reduction practices.





In 2024, the department held over 100 Public Safety Programs, reaching nearly 8,000 citizens. We also partnered with the American Red Cross to conduct a smoke detector blitz at Long's and North Fayette Mobile Home communities, installing 29 smoke alarms in residences. A new program that provides fire safety flyers with county water and tax bills was implemented, reaching a large portion of Fayette County's population. Each year, we look for new and creative ways to reach as many citizens as possible with our fire safety message. This outreach is also part of our new fire department phone app, which provides instant information to users about weather alerts, safety messages, road closures, and general fire safety news and tips.

Inspections Conducted - 917 Preplan Updates - 1,069 Fire Investigations Conducted - 33 Public Relations Programs - 109 Plan Reviews - 68 New Businesses - 120 Smoke Detector Installations - 35 Total Public Education Participants - 7,919

Burn Permits Issued

Residential - 11,504 Commercial - 3 Fireworks Permits Issued - 4 Blasting Permits Issued - 5

Fire Loss

Structural - \$2,370,645 Vehicle, Brush and Other -\$424,600

2024 Year in Review

Progression of the new Fire and Emergency Services Training Center moved from a site with curbing applied, to all site work and all structures being nearly complete. The grand opening of the new training center is expected in early spring of 2025.



Other Projects in 2024

- Purchase and implementation of state-of-the-art CMAC video laryngoscopes
- Arrival of 12 new Stryker Lifepak 35 Cardiac Monitors (Fiscal Budget 2023)
- Purchase of additional Stryker Power Stair Chairs
- Completed CAD integration to Fire and EMS incident reporting
- Added additional Hoist workout equipment to fire stations
- Purchased and received delivery of ceiling breach simulator
- Purchased and awaiting delivery of vehicle and liquid propane fire simulators for new training center
- Continued to replace additional equipment and safety gear to remain as safe and efficient as possible