



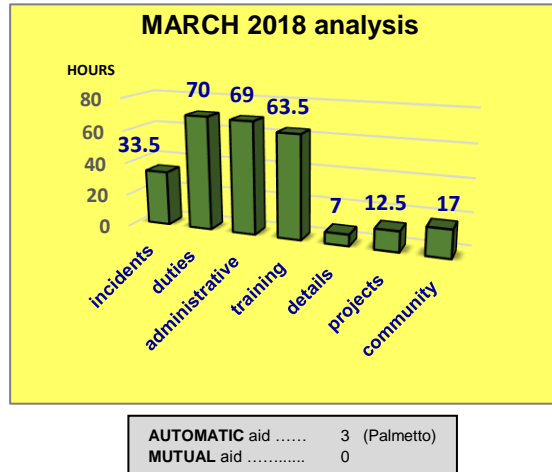
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 Fire & Rescue / Emergency Management

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Department Incidents (2018 total incidents: 119)

MARCH 2018: 51 incidents

- **EMS – 13**
 - AMR transports – 22
 - CHFHD transports – 0
 - Patient Refusal/Cancel -6
 - Air/Medivac – 0
 - Deaths – 3
 - Other - 0
- **Fire – 3**
 - Structure/residential – 2
 - Structure/commercial – 0
 - Structure/outbuilding – 1
 - Woods/Grass – 1
 - Fire Alarm – 0
 - Smoke investigation – 0
 - Vehicle – 1
 - Sprinkler system – 0
 - Illegal burn – 0
 - Other - 0



- **Service – 15**
 - Trees down - 8
 - Wires down – 4
 - Lockout – 0
 - Invalid Assist – 2
 - Wellness check – 0
 - Water leak – 0
 - Gas leak – 1
 - Public Service – 0
 - Other – 0
- **Vehicle Accidents – 2**
 - Extrication – 0
- **HAZMAT – 0**
- **Rescue/Search – 0**
- **Other - 0**

Fire Operations

- A residential structure fire at 8300 Water Works Road on Monday, April 2, resulted in total loss of the structure and contents. Joint operations involving Chattahoochee Hills, Palmetto, Fairburn and Union City were necessary. The Georgia State Fire Marshal's Office is directing the incident investigation.
- Homeowner insurance costs continue to be a concern with many with 46 inquiries about how to reduce (personal) costs through Fire Department services. The Office of the Georgia Insurance Commissioner has been contacted to provide assistance with insurance underwriters and ISO. Efforts continue to secure "automatic aid" with the City of South Fulton to address concerns in the northern areas of Chattahoochee Hills; additional planning is required to respond to the majority concerns of residents in southwestern areas of the city.
- Near total brake system failure on Tanker/Pumper 51 has resulted in the unit undergoing extensive repairs. Coweta Fire Department is providing a back-up "water tender" (2000 gallon tanker) via dispatch until repairs are completed. Tanker/Pumper 51 is a critical resource because over 60% of Chattahoochee Hills does not have fire hydrant/municipal water. The unit is a 1997 "hand-down" vehicle from Fulton County.
- "Drafting/Water Shuttle Operations" joint training (five depts) will occur April 17, 18, 19 at 8:30-12:30 on Petersburg Road. Other April training will include vehicle crash patient extrication, driving course, wildland search/rescue and various (monthly requirement) medical refresher courses.



EMS Services

- Presentations for proposed patient transport services by AMR, Grady or AmeriMed are scheduled...the more formal "RFP" process by Fulton County has been eliminated and replaced by a scoring instrument for each jurisdiction followed by a collective recommendation to the Georgia EMS Region 3 Council.
- Presently, AMR has determined to post additional units at Fairburn and College Park fire stations to improve response to south Fulton areas.

- A hybrid "Community Paramedicine" model is being refined for Chattahoochee Hills to initiate proactive, localized care and to reduce the number of "emergent" patients requiring transport. Community Paramedicine is a national initiative advocated by U.S. government and public healthcare entities for rural and underserved populations. The Chattahoochee Hills Fire Rescue Department "ChattCare" program will be co-directed by Dr. Chris Edens and is formulated around these objectives ...
 1. Identify, contact and follow-up with "at risk" patients and/or specific residents to offer assistance
 2. Provide regular monitoring of health conditions, vital signs, medication compliance and wound care
 3. Interface with physicians to help coordinate additional patient care, medications and transport, as required
 4. Provide regular education and individual assessments in public venues

Citizens may complete a "Citizen Medical Profile" to register at-risk family members for interaction with CHFD'S *ChattCare* community paramedicine program.

- "Stop the Bleed" is a national initiative locally funded by Homeland Security through the Georgia Trauma Foundation. Chattahoochee Hills Fire and Police departments will be trained to train other local entities and groups in self-help trauma in the event of incidental or terroristic activities. "Stop The Bleed" kits and training will be available to schools, groups, civic organizations, churches, etc. in the near future.
- Free CPR-awareness classes of three or more persons may be scheduled with the Fire Department.
- Free smoke detectors are available through the Fire Department as part of "Operation Sav-A-Life" intended to provide up to two working smoke detectors in all homes.

Office of the Fire Chief

- Pre-plan and site review for compliance with fire and life safety codes is an ongoing activity related to public event venues, commercial construction and some residential projects. Construction type, engineering (validations), public access/egress, emergency vehicle access, fire hazards, collateral hazards, ADA compliance, lighting, food preparation (utilizing flame), extinguishment/fire suppression and power utility service are some of the issues previewed and inspected.
- Individual guidelines for fire/life safety code compliance at public events (venues), vegetative debris burning, using large-scale tents, food services, etc. are available at City Hall or from the Office of the Fire Chief.
- CHFD has received a donation of a new portable, battery-powered reciprocating saw to be used at car collision incidents. Motor vehicle collisions on Chattahoochee Hills roadways have increased by 38% since 2010 with specialized patient extrications from vehicles increasing by 12%.
- The Fire Department welcomes all visitors at Station 51 (6615 Rico Rd) for tours, birthday parties and blood pressure checks. REMEMBER we are not always at the station because emergencies and duties require our attention. Please email suggestions for improvements to our services to greg.brett@chatthillsga.us or stop by my office at City Hall.

Chattahoochee Hills Emergency Management (CHEMA)

- All FEMA documentation has been submitted related to recovery of funds for Hurricane IRMA response.
- Public Works, Police and Fire personnel will receive disaster response training related to incident protocol and documentation during April. A "Disaster Response Field Guide" had been developed for all personnel.
- Spring storm season and a projected active hurricane season are reasons for everyone to register for CodeRED alerting. Other notifications via CodeRED include road closures, Police alerts for potential "bad person" or criminal activity, public health issues, and general safety bulletins.
- Atlanta-Fulton County Emergency Management has requested Chattahoochee Hills Emergency Management re-initiate development and training of "Citizen Emergency Response Teams" (CERT). Persons interested in CERT should contact Chief Greg Brett at greg.brett@chatthillsga.us

