

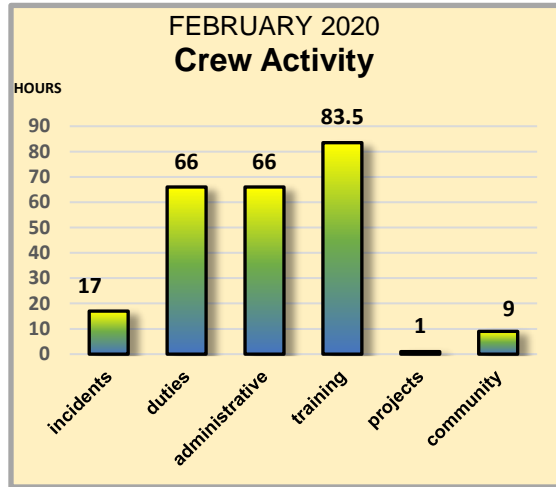


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 Fire & Rescue / Emergency Management

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February Incidents: 33

- **EMS – 21**
 - Grady transports – 8
 - CHFD transports – 0
 - Patient Refusal -2
 - Air/Medivac – 0
 - Deaths – 4
 - Other – 4 (Cx)
- **Fire – 4**
 - Structure/residential – 1
 - Structure/commercial – 0
 - Structure/outbuilding – 0
 - Woods/Grass – 1
 - Fire Alarm – 0
 - Smoke investigation – 0
 - Vehicle – 0
 - Sprinkler system – 0
 - Illegal burn – 1
 - Other - 1



- **Service – 3**
 - Trees down - 2
 - Wires down – 0
 - Lockout – 0
 - Invalid Assist – 1
 - Wellness check – 0
 - Water leak – 0
 - Gas leak – 0
 - Public Service – 0
 - Other – 0
- **Vehicle Accidents – 4**
 - Mechanical Extrication – 0
- **HAZMAT – 0**
- **Rescue/Search – 1**
- **Other - 0**

Department Operations & Response

- CHFD recently held two CPR training classes with over 30 involved. Certification by the American Heart Association was optional. The classes coincided with the department’s initiative to purchase a LUCAS 2 chest decompression device. At this printing, the Chattahoochee Hill Country Conservancy has received \$8,312 of the \$20,000 goal via their [gofundme](#) account. Recently, CHFD responded to six cardiac arrest incidents during a two-week period.

- LT Mike Allen retired on February 29; he worked a total of 26 years in firefighting, seven for Chattahoochee Hills and 19 for Fulton County. Mike’s enthusiasm and devotion to friendly, personal service will be missed.



response to scene times averages 9 minutes with Grady ambulance response times remaining “improved” 15:42 (dispatch to on-scene). “Advanced life-saving” capability is maintained all hours by CHFD; the department responds to 4 incidents (on average) monthly in Palmetto and City of South Fulton jurisdictions.



- Residents and businesses have two options to support Fire/EMS/Police personnel entering a secure location during an emergency. Alarm or gate codes can be provided for confidential use by our Fulton Dispatch center making the codes accessible on request by radio OR a locked Knox® box can be mounted outside the location for Fire/EMS crews to use (we no longer accept keys to be maintained by the department). Owners may include keys, codes or instructions in the box, depending on preference. Contact CHFD for more info (CHFD@chathillsga.us).



Recent concerns for the coronavirus (COVID-19) threat is cause for public education and confidence-building. Here is what the City of Chattahoochee Hills hopes citizens and guests will remember ...

- City emergency management planning includes maintaining an updated response plan for various circumstances—"biological threats" is one component with recently updated protocols related to COVID-19 coronavirus for the city as a whole and its public safety departments and administration.
- Daily, and sometimes hourly, the City's CORE Team, an ad-hoc (biological incident) group, is updated by Georgia and Fulton County departments of public health on all matters pertaining to COVID-19.
- Influenza remains more of a threat than COVID-19. While the influence of COVID-19 is growing (even though estimates show 70%+ of the population will not be infected by the virus), the greatest threat is COMPLACENCY. Failure to consider the indirect, or direct, effects on individuals, families and groups can result in serious consequences and unnecessary exposures within Chattahoochee Hills' communities.
- Updated information and special instructions for the Chattahoochee Hills public is provided on the City's webpage (www.chatthillsga.us) and may be advanced to various stakeholder groups, ie. businesses, churches, schools, residential developments, etc., using the City's emergency notification system or direct phone calls.

Each person's individual response should include the following per the Centers for Disease Control and the GA Department of Public Health ...

Georgia Department of Public Health

- **Wash your hands often with soap and warm water for at least 20 seconds. If soap and water are not available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer.**
- **Avoid touching eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.**
- **Avoid close contact with people who are sick.**
- **Stay home when you are sick.**
- **Cover your cough/sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash.**
- **Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces.**
- **The flu is still widespread and active throughout the state ... it's not too late to get a flu shot. While the flu shot will not protect against COVID-19, it can prevent serious complications that require hospitalization.**
- **If you have recently traveled to areas with ongoing outbreaks of COVID-19 and develop fever with cough and shortness of breath within 14 days of your travel, or if you have had contact with someone who is suspected to have COVID-19, stay home and call your doctor or the health department.**
- **Be sure to call before going to a doctor's office, emergency room, or urgent care center and tell them about your recent travel and your symptoms.**

Help prevent the spread of respiratory diseases like COVID-19.

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For more information: www.cdc.gov/COVID19

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