



Action Requested/Required:

- Vote/Action Requested
 - Discussion or Presentation Only
 - Public Hearing
- Report Date: _____
Hearing Date: _____
Voting Date: _____

Department: Cherokee Co. Fire & EMS **Presenter(s) & Title:** Eddie Robinson
Fire Chief

Agenda Item Title:

Presentation of Cherokee County Fire & EMS Updates

Summary:

Cherokee County Fire & EMS Fire Chief Eddie Robinson will provide an update on the City's contracted fire services from the County as well as EMS services provided by the county as part of service delivery.

Budget Implications:

Budgeted? Yes No N/A

Total Cost of Project: _____ Check if Estimated

Fund Source: General Fund Water & Sewer Sales Tax Other: _____

Staff Recommendations:

Reviews:

Has this been reviewed by Management and Legal Counsel, if required? Yes No

Attachments:

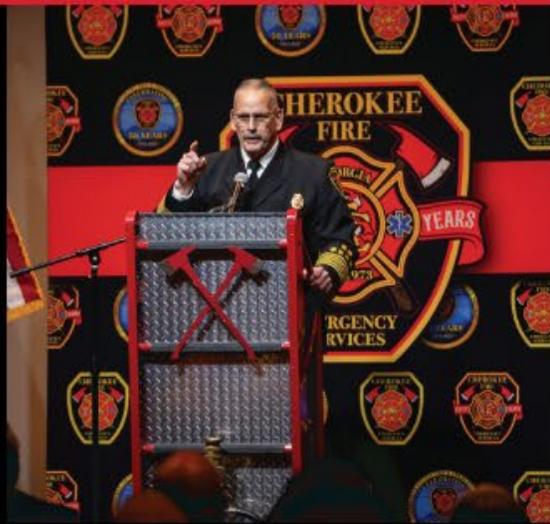
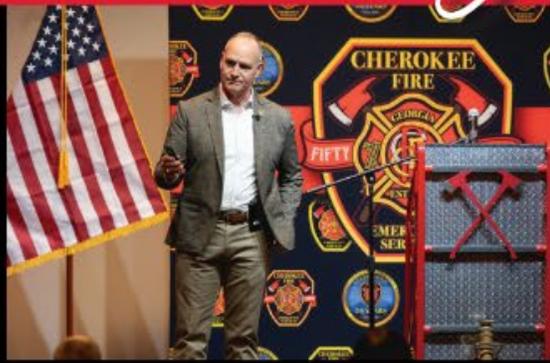


2023 AT A GLANCE

SPECIALLY PREPARED FOR THE CITY OF CANTON

Celebrating 50 Years

2023 marked the 50th anniversary of CCFES which was memorialized with a special event with nearly 300 fire department members, retirees, and friends of the fire service gathering to celebrate.



Always Striving for *Excellence*

- Internationally Accredited Agency through the **Commission on Fire Accreditation International (CFAI)**
 - CFAI Board unanimously approved CCFES for accredited status on March 1, 2023.
 - Completed 1st Annual Compliance Report and received approval notice on June 3, 2024.
- Nationally Accredited Paramedic Program through the **Committee on Accreditation for the EMS Profession (CoAEMSP)**.
 - 5 graduated classes since 2017, producing 110 graduates.



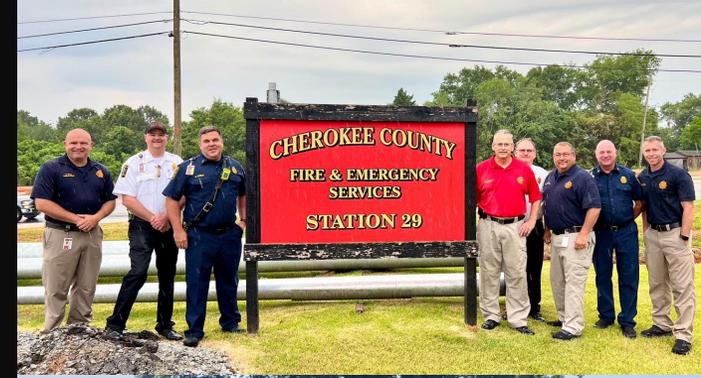
Personnel Highlights

- Received Region I EMS Agency of the Year award.
- Cherokee Fire Muster Team awarded 2nd & 3rd place trophies at Georgia Fire Service Firefighter Competition in Augusta, Ga.
- Presented nearly 50 awards for outstanding service (EMS lifesaving, Unit Citations, and Community Service).
- Deputy Chief Shane West named Chief Officer of the Year by the Georgia Association of Fire Chiefs.
- Guns and Hoses 5k - Hoses win!



Staffed Fire Station 29

Increased fire protection and EMS capabilities to Canton Marketplace, Buffington area, and beyond.



Reorganization





Personnel Services

Budget
Management

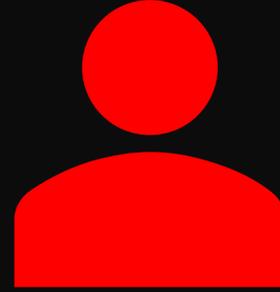
Business
Intelligence

Human Resources

Health & Safety

Staffing

(December 2023)



493 Total Positions

480 Full Time

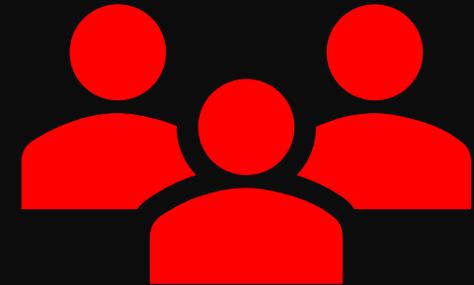
13 Part Time



431 Field Operations

420 Full Time

11 Part Time



62 Support & Admin

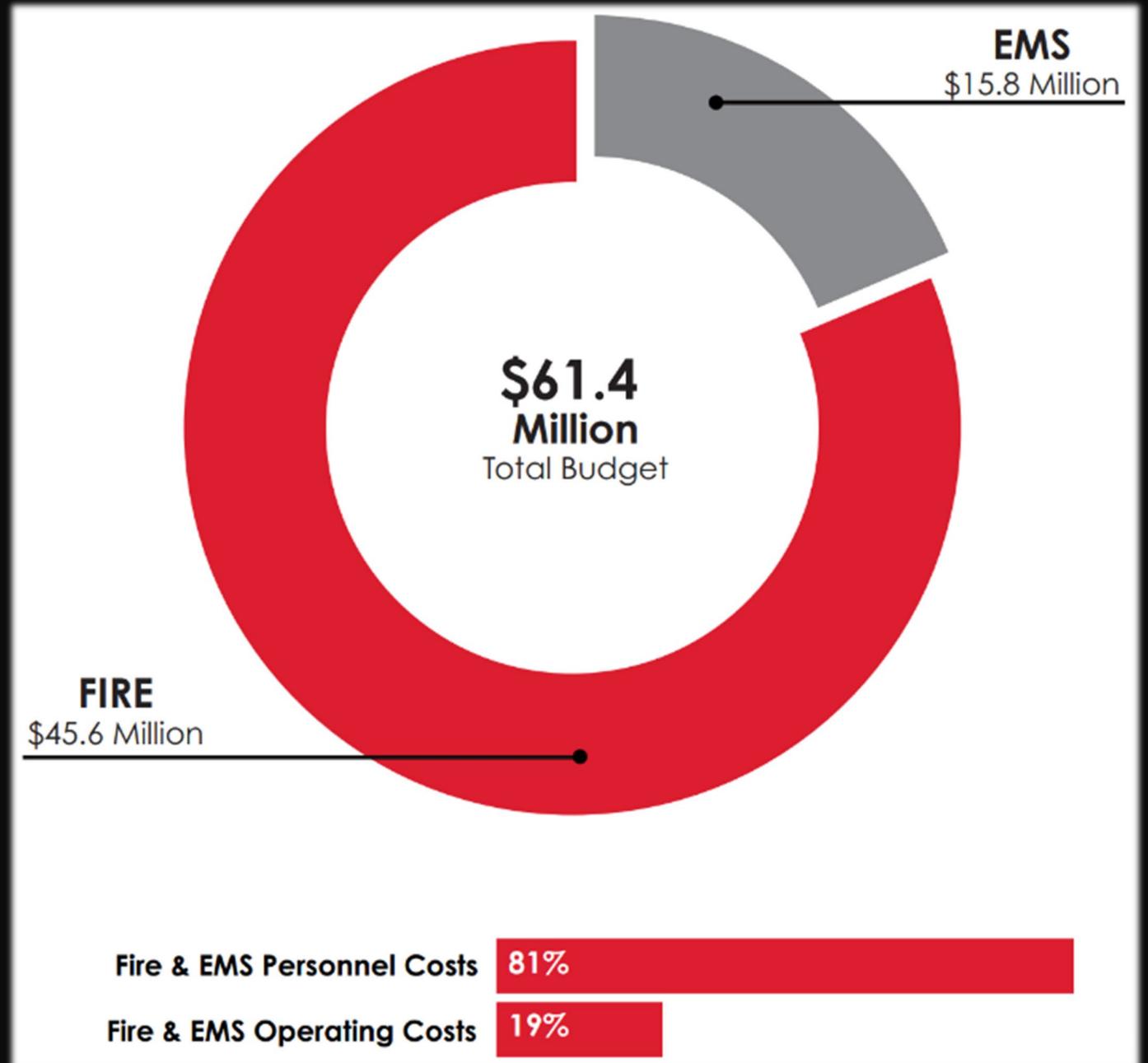
60 Full Time

2 Part Time



Annual Budget FY2023

- City of Canton contribution to Fire Fund: \$5,885,876
 - Apx. 12.9% of Fire Fund Revenue
- Personnel Costs
 - Salaries
 - Benefits
 - Payroll Taxes
- Operating Costs
 - Vehicle Maintenance
 - Fuel
 - Utilities
 - Training
 - Supplies
 - Equipment



New Apparatus

- Engine 16
- Engine 11
- Med-Con 2



2023 Incident Volume & Response Times

Cherokee County

32,837

Total Calls

7:38

Average Overall Response Time

10:33 (Fire) 10:19 (EMS)

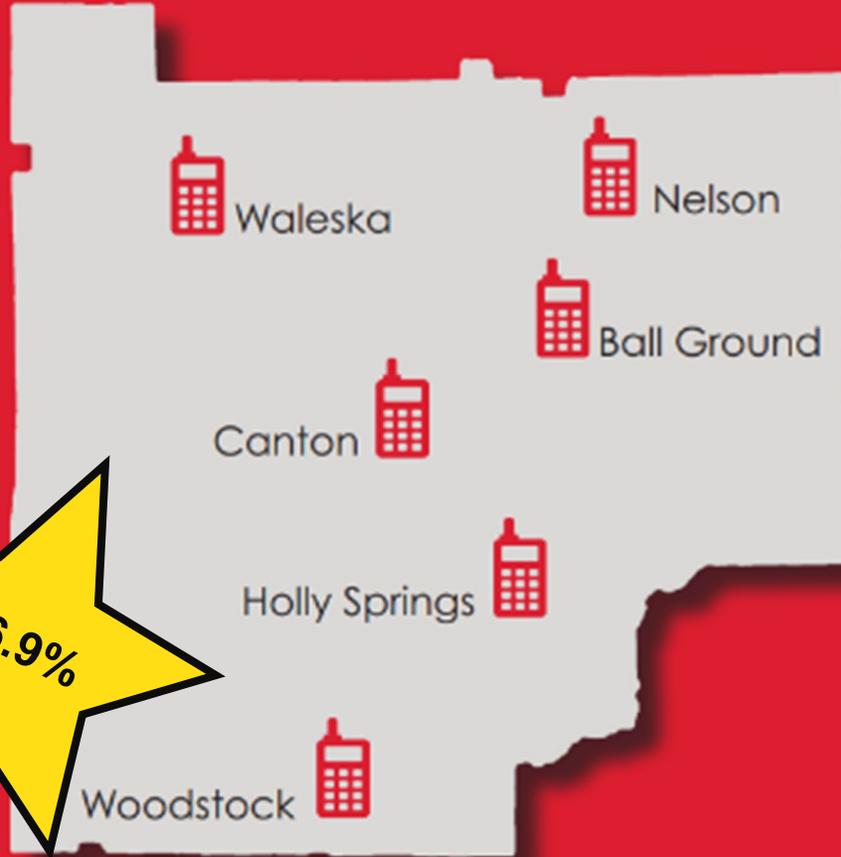
90th Percentile

City of Canton

5,568

Total Calls

Fire Average – 5:13 | 90th Percentile – 7:19
EMS Average – 6:06 | 90th Percentile – 9:43



33
Structure
Fires



56
Non-Dwelling
Fires



101
False
Alarms



168
Technical
Rescues



4,128
EMS Calls

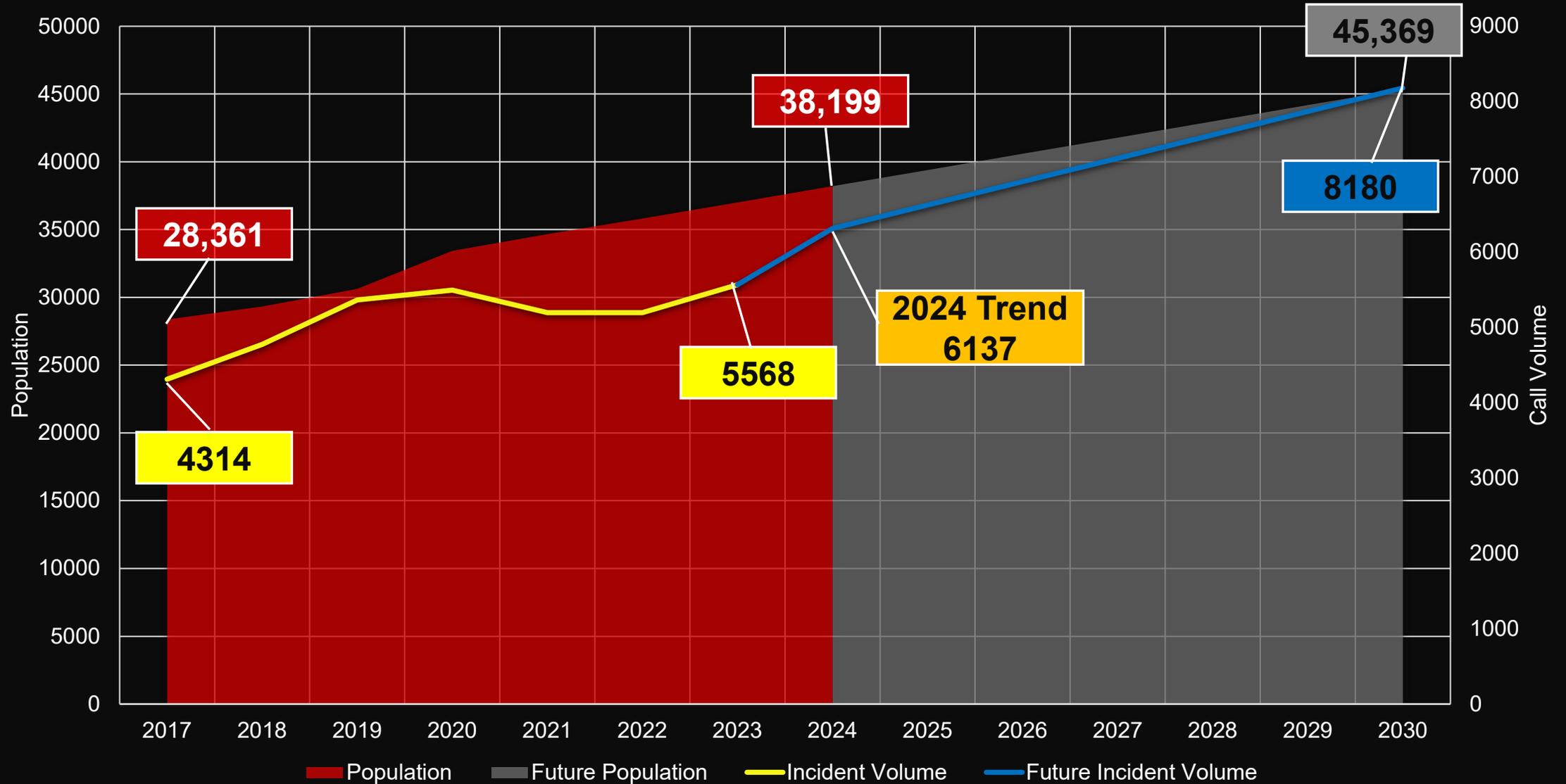


1,082
Calls for
Service

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City of Canton Incident Volume & Population Growth





Field Operations

Fire Stations

Special Operations

EMS

Field Operations

- **Fire Stations in Cherokee County**
 - **24** Staffed Stations
 - **8** Station Territories in the City of Canton
 - Stations 3, 8, 9, 11, 16, 21, 22, and 29
- **Special Operations**
 - Hazardous Materials Team
 - Technical Rescue Teams
 - Search & Rescue
 - Rope Rescue
 - Swiftwater Rescue
 - Dive Team
- **Emergency Medical Services**
 - 15 Squads 24/7
 - 2 Squads Monday - Friday 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.
 - SWAT Medic Team



COURAGE



COMMITMENT



INTEGRITY





Support Services

Training

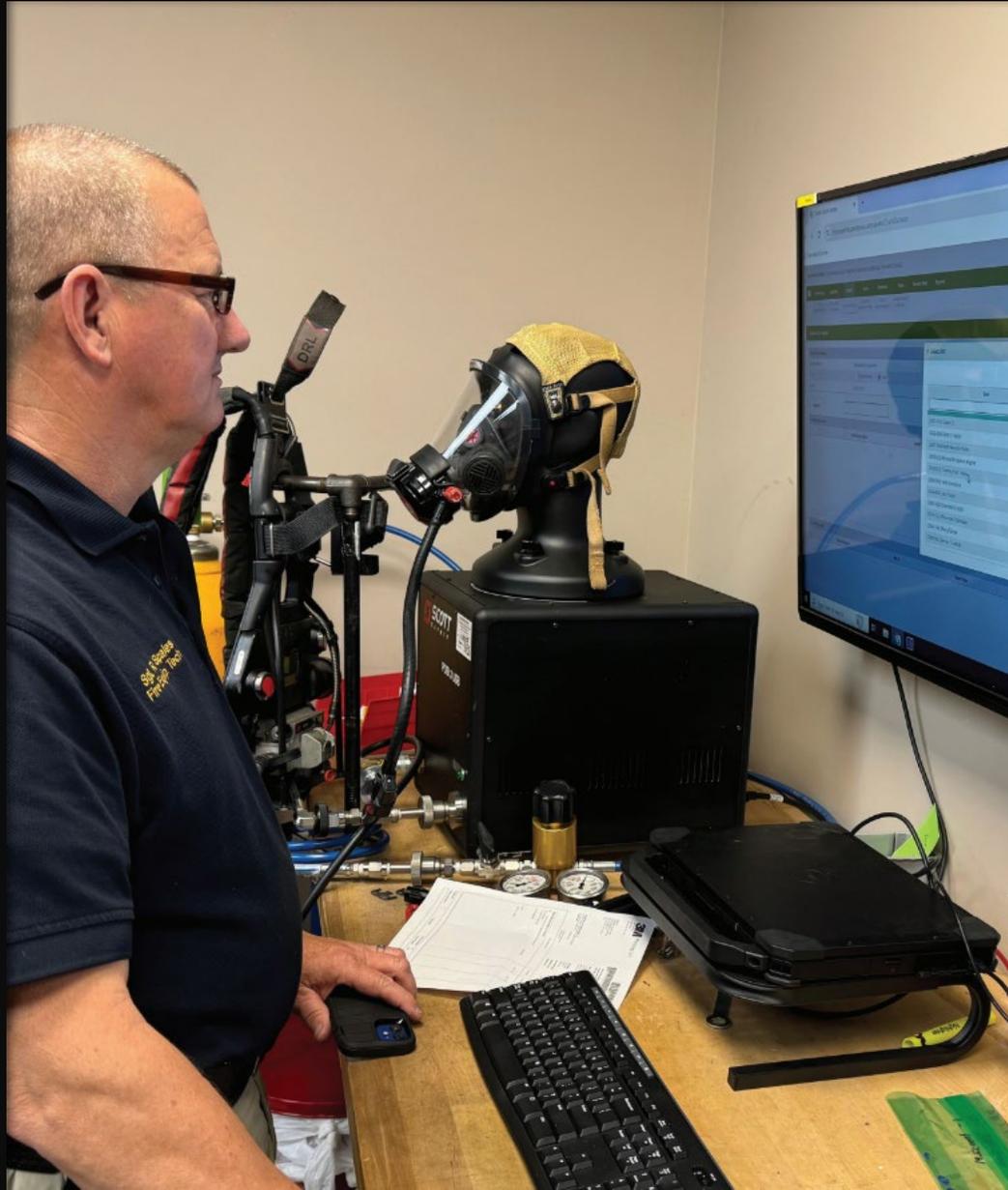
Logistics

Training Division

- Department members completed a total of **199,215** training hours.
- **55** recruits graduated from fire and Advanced EMT program.
- **21** firefighters graduated from the Cherokee County Paramedic Program.
- New wing of Training Center dedicated to Dr. Jill Mabley.
- Received SACSCOC accreditation for educational partnership with Lanier Technical College.
 - Recruits are now eligible to earn college credit for attending recruit school.



Logistics



10,640 assets managed
in OPIQ



2,900 service desk tickets
processed



694 purchase orders
processed



300+ Self-Contained
Breathing Apparatuses
repaired and tested



2 complete sets of Battery Holmatro
extrication tools purchased for
Stations 4 and 13



1 new employee added
to the Logistics team



Community Risk Reduction

Fire Marshal's Office

Fire & Life Safety
Education

Fire & Life Safety Education



BY THE NUMBERS

Community Injury Prevention
561 events
136,260 participants

4th Grade Fire Safety
12 schools
1,549 students

8th Grade STEM Fire Forensics
28 classes
1,680 students

Freddie the Fire Truck Shows
27 schools
200 participants

Extinguisher Training
4 programs
167 participants

Fire Safety House
26 schools
3,500 students

CPR
26 classes
491 students

Bike and Pedestrian
8 programs
1,160 participants

Water Safety
8 programs
749 participants

Smoke Alarm
77 events
361 participants

Home Safety
13 events
1,475 educated

Car Seat Inspection
68 events
316 seats checked

Fire Engine Visits
143 visits
6,500 participants

Safety Town Camp
2 camps
159 campers

Barn safety
2 events
200 participants

760
Reflectives

222
Bike Helmets

200
Life Jackets

178
Smoke Alarms

95
Smoke Alarm Batteries

64
Car Seats

62
Safe Sleep Equipment

SUPPLIES DISTRIBUTED

Announcement

Insurance Services Office – Public Protection Classification



CCFES maintains a
2/2Y PPC rating
after recent evaluation

THE FUTURE OF FIRE STATION 16





Thank you!

