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September Re-Cap

Monthly Summary

September 2025 marked a dynamic month for Cathedral City Fire & EMS as the department balanced heightened wildland fire preparedness with continued community engagement and professional development initiatives.

The month featured sustained emergency response operations, comprehensive training evolutions, and significant progress in emergency preparedness education programs.

Throughout the month, the department responded to 712 emergency service calls, including 528 EMS incidents with 408 billable transports and 17 fire-related calls. With the onset of fall bringing increased fire weather concerns, personnel maintained heightened readiness while continuing to deliver exceptional emergency services across all response districts.

From successful community education programs to advanced technical training and preparations for Fire Prevention Week, September demonstrated CCFE's unwavering commitment to protecting lives and property while building community resilience through education and engagement.

Key Achievements

Fall Fire Season Preparedness

Enhanced wildland fire response readiness with additional training and equipment checks as vegetation conditions dried entering the traditional fire season.

School Safety Programs

Continued comprehensive school safety initiatives including evacuation drills, staff training, and student education programs across all district schools.

Strong EMS Response

Maintained excellent response times while handling 528 EMS calls, demonstrating the continued effectiveness of Medic 22's deployment.

Operational Consistency

Achieved 712 total calls for service while maintaining apparatus availability and response time standards across all three stations.

Physical Fitness Excellence

Increased focus on firefighter fitness and wellness with expanded training programs and health assessments.

Fire Prevention Planning

Completed preparations for October's Fire Prevention Week activities including school programs and community events.

Community Partnerships

Strengthened relationships through multiple community events and educational programs reaching diverse populations.

Training Advancement

Logged significant training hours with focus on technical rescue, EMS skills, and incident command procedures.

Operational Stats

WEEKLY BREAKDOWN

- SEPTEMBER 4: 181 CALLS (135 EMS, 104 TRANSPORTS, 4 FIRES)
- SEPTEMBER 11: 176 CALLS (131 EMS, 101 TRANSPORTS, 4 FIRES)
- SEPTEMBER 18: 178 CALLS (132 EMS, 102 TRANSPORTS, 5 FIRES)
- SEPTEMBER 25: 177 CALLS (130 EMS, 101 TRANSPORTS, 4 FIRES)

Category	Totals
Total Calls	712
EMS Calls	528
Billable Transports	408
Fire Calls	17
Fire Inspections Passed	142

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT



Mutual Aid & Major Incidents

Significant Fires

- **Structure Fires:** September included several working structure fires requiring coordinated attack operations. Quick knockdown times and effective ventilation prevented extension to adjacent structures in all cases.
- **Vehicle Fires:** Multiple vehicle fires on Interstate 10 and local roadways were successfully suppressed with minimal traffic impact through effective incident management.
- **Wildland Fires:** Responded to several small vegetation fires, quickly containing them before significant spread. Increased patrols in wildland-urban interface areas helped identify and address potential fire hazards.

MUTUAL AID SUMMARY

Agency	Aid Received	Aid Given	Aid Denied	Auto Aid Received
AMR	5	4	2	0
Riverside County Fire (RIVCO)	7	5	2	3
Palm Springs Fire (PS Fire)	6	3	1	2

Fire Prevention

Fire Prevention Activities

- 142 inspections passed out of 161 conducted in September
- Reviewed fire protection plans for:
 - New commercial developments
 - Multi-family residential projects
 - Industrial occupancy modifications
 - Special event venues
- Conducted Fire Prevention Week planning and coordination
- Completed quarterly inspections for high-hazard occupancies
- Processed construction permits and business licenses
- Performed hydrant maintenance and flow testing

Code Enforcement

- Issued notices for weed abatement in fire hazard areas
- Conducted reinspections of previously cited violations
- Coordinated with Code Enforcement on abandoned property issues
- Reviewed and approved special event fire safety plans
- Addressed illegal burning complaints

Community Risk Reduction & Community Engagement

Fire Prevention Week Preparation

Extensive planning and coordination for October's Fire Prevention Week activities, including scheduling school visits, preparing educational materials, and organizing the pancake breakfast open house at Station 1.

CERT Training Planning

Finalized preparations for the November Community Emergency Response Team training series, with strong enrollment indicating community interest in emergency preparedness.

Public Education Achievements

- Conducted 18 station tours for school and community groups
- Distributed 150 smoke alarms to at-risk households
- Provided car seat installations and safety checks
- Delivered CPR/First Aid training to community members

Cadet Program Development

Fire Cadets participated in advanced training modules and assisted with community events, gaining valuable experience while serving as department ambassadors.

Recruitment & Staffing

Personnel Updates

- Maintained full operational staffing across all stations
- Continued recruitment process for anticipated retirements
- Advanced succession planning initiatives
- Implemented new employee onboarding improvements

Professional Development

- All personnel completed required quarterly training
- Advanced leadership development for company officers
- Technical rescue team recertification completed
- EMS continuing education requirements maintained
- Apparatus operator training for newly promoted engineers



Leadership Development & Training

Leadership Initiatives

- Command staff participated in county-wide emergency preparedness exercises
- Battalion Chiefs conducted multi-company drills focusing on commercial fire tactics
- Company officers completed incident safety officer training
- Implemented peer support program enhancements

Training Accomplishments

September training focused on maintaining operational readiness while preparing for seasonal challenges:

- Wildland fire refresher training
- Technical rescue scenarios
- Mass casualty incident drills
- Hazardous materials response procedures
- Customer service and public relations training



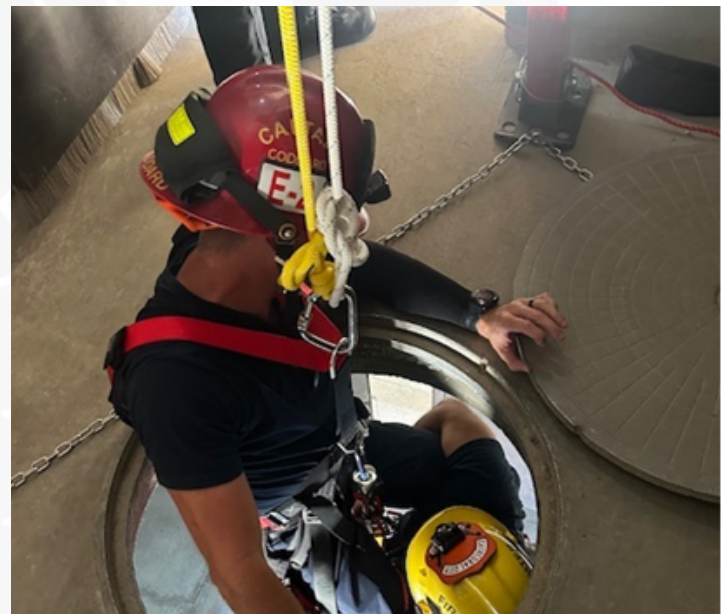
Training & Professional Dev.

Monthly Total Training Hours

September's training metrics reflect the department's commitment to continuous improvement and seasonal preparedness requirements. The continued high training hours (1,790.00) demonstrate sustained commitment to professional development, with increased emphasis on suppression training for fire season preparedness.

Program	Monthly Total Hours
Administrative	148.50
Apparatus Ops	105.00
Construction	10.00
EMS	256.00
Hazmat	88.00
ICS	16.00
Physical Fitness	275.50
Portable & Small Equip	94.50
Prevention	298.00
Rescue	58.50
Suppression	312.00
Training, Non-College	108.00
Vehicle Repair	20.00
Total	1790.00

Training & Professional Dev.



Resident Safety Awareness

Fall Safety Campaign

As September brought the transition to fall, Cathedral City Fire & EMS emphasized seasonal safety concerns:

- Wildfire Prevention: Maintain defensible space, report suspicious smoke immediately, follow burn regulations
- Heating Safety: Service heating systems before first use, check chimney and vents, never use ovens for heating
- School Zone Awareness: Continued vigilance in school zones, crosswalk safety, bus stop precautions
- Fall Prevention: Leaf removal safety, ladder usage precautions, outdoor lighting maintenance

Emergency Preparedness Reminders

- Update emergency kits for fall/winter needs
- Review and practice family evacuation plans
- Test smoke and carbon monoxide detectors
- Register for emergency alerts if not already enrolled
- Prepare for potential power outages during wind events

Upcoming Events

Pancake Breakfast and Open House

Date: Saturday, October 11, 2025 | 8:00 AM - 10:00 AM

Location: Station 1

Description: Annual community breakfast featuring station tours, apparatus demonstrations, fire safety education, and activities for children.

Stop the Bleed / Hands-Only CPR Training

Date: Saturday, October 18, 2025 | 8:00 AM - 11:00 AM

Location: EOC

Description: Free life-saving skills training for the public. Pre-registration encouraged but walk-ins welcome.

Community CERT Training Series

Date: November 1, 8, and 15, 2025 | 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Location: EOC

Description: Three-day comprehensive emergency response training:

- Day 1: Disaster preparedness and fire safety
- Day 2: Medical operations and light search & rescue
- Day 3: Practical exercises and final drill

Great California ShakeOut

Date: October 17, 2025 at 10:17 AM

Description: Statewide earthquake drill participation.

Looking Ahead

As Cathedral City Fire & EMS enters October 2025, key priorities include:

- Executing comprehensive Fire Prevention Week activities
- Maintaining heightened wildland fire vigilance
- Continuing school safety programs and education
- Advancing CPSE accreditation preparations
- Implementing wellness program enhancements
- Strengthening regional training partnerships
- Planning for year-end equipment and apparatus needs
- Preparing for seasonal staffing adjustments

The department's dedication to excellence, combined with strong community support through Measure W, ensures CCFE remains prepared to meet the evolving needs of Cathedral City residents while maintaining the highest standards of emergency service delivery.

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