



Fire Chief's Message

The Cumberland Road Fire Department continued its mission in 2024 to provide exceptional emergency services and promote public safety throughout our community. This year, the department responded to a total of **1,813 calls for service**, including fires, medical emergencies, vehicle accidents, and other public assistance incidents.

Our personnel logged an impressive **7,857 hours of training** across all disciplines, with a focus on fire suppression, rescue operations, emergency medical care, and leadership development. These efforts ensure that our team remains well-prepared to meet the growing demands of our service area.

Among the year's most significant investments was the purchase of **45 new sets of personal protective equipment (PPE)**, ensuring our firefighters are equipped with modern, compliant gear that enhances safety and operational effectiveness.

Community engagement was a top priority in 2024. The department installed **over 400 smoke alarms** and made **more than 800 residential contacts** as part of our home safety outreach initiative. These efforts reflect our ongoing commitment to fire prevention and public education.

Financially, the department maintained a responsible budget, with assistance from grants and donations helping to support key purchases and station upgrades.

Looking ahead, we remain focused on continued improvements in staffing, facilities, and service delivery. We are proud of our accomplishments in 2024 and grateful for the support of our board, members, and the community we serve.

2024 Annual Incident Response

The Cumberland Road Fire Department provided emergency services response **1813** times. These totals include automatic and mutual aid responses to neighboring departments. Cumberland Road firefighters provided emergency services response **1025** times, within the fire district. Combined these incidents included fires, EMS/rescue responses, and non-emergency calls for service.



Neighboring departments responded to 126 of the 1151 calls for service within the Cumberland Road fire district, associated by the Closest Unit Dispatch system.



Cumberland Road Fire Department personnel and units aided other Fire Agencies in Cumberland County and the City of Fayetteville 788 times, these responses are either correlated by Closest Unit Dispatch, or Automatic Aid.





Neighboring departments responded 165 times to assist Cumberland Road Fire Units associated with a county wide automatic aid agreement.





2024 Community Involvement

Partnering with the Cumberland County Fire Marshal's Office, Cumberland Road Firefighters installed over 400 smoke alarms to residents of the fire district and made over 800 residential contacts to share our home safety message. Firefighters also provided Fire and Life Safety education to Churches, Daycare, Schools, and other community events. Community outreach, and Fire and Life Safety education, remains one of our highest priorities.





2020 ANNUAL TRAINING

Personnel, both part-time and volunteer members, completed a total of 7,857 hours of training in 2024.





Significant Purchases & Events

In 2024 the Board of Directors approved the purchase of 45 sets of Personnel Protective Gear. This purchase included 45 coats, 45 pairs of pants, and 45 pairs of boots. As part of the Cumberland County Fire Protection Service District Grant Fund, the department was awarded funds to purchase 75 pairs of gloves, 75 firefighting protective hoods, and 40 firefighting helmets.

The Grant also allowed the department to add two (2) new Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus-Rapid Intervention Packs.

Each year the Cumberland Road Fire Department awards one firefighter and one officer who exceeds the requirements expected of his or her position and has shown a distinct pattern of community service and professional achievements. These individuals exemplify the character, commitment, and compassion hallmarks of the firefighter profession.

2024 Recipients

Paul Dixon, Firefighter Captain Joey Gorman, Fire Officer Former Fire Chief's Arnold J. Koonce and James E. Hall were both honored with the Greater Fayetteville Chamber 2024 Hall of Fame Award.





Life Saving Awards

For their commendable service, while working on the scene of a fire on February 19th, 2024, where their actions directly resulted in the saving of a life, Firefighter Elijah McClinton received an award of Valor. Firefighters Micah Williams, Deitren Jackson, and Nikolai Van Kan, received Life Saving awards.

These firefighters were recognized by both the department and the Greater Fayetteville Chamber.

