

Tuolumne County Fire Department

“At-A-Glance”



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Tuolumne County Fire Department Call Totals

October 2023

Incident Totals:

Total Incidents: 722

Medical Aids: 510

Structure Fires: 16

Vegetation Fires: 14

Other Type Fires: 69

Hazardous Conditions: 25

Other Incident Types: 88

Tuolumne County Station Call Totals:

Mono Village Station 51: 243

Ponderosa Hills Station 53: 12

Long Barn Station 54: 7

Pinecrest Station 55: 9

Mono Vista Station 56: 101

Phoenix Lake Station 57: Calls absorbed by other Stations

Cedar Ridge Station 58: 16

Chinese Camp Station 61: 25

Don Pedro Station 64: 12

Jamestown Station 76: 164

Groveland Station 63/78: 46

Columbia Station 74: 34 calls ran by Station 79 personnel

Columbia College Station 79: 53

Prevention Division:

Plans Reviews: No Data this Month.

Inspections: 63

Incident totals include incidents that the fire station was dispatched to, and may have been automatic aid to other agencies through the Tuolumne County Automatic Aid Agreement

Significant Incidents

10/2/2023

On Monday, October 2nd, at approximately 8:42 PM, TCFD resources responded to a reported rollover vehicle accident in the area of Highway 108 and Chicken Ranch Road near the community of Jamestown. TCFD Engine 761 arrived and discovered a single vehicle had rolled down an embankment resulting in the need for a rope rescue. One additional engine was requested with a second rope rescue compliment. Engine 761 had to use hydraulic extrication spreaders to get the door open and remove the single patient from inside the vehicle. The patient was loaded into a stokes basket, securely hooked into the rope rescue system, and hoisted up the steep embankment utilizing personnel on the haul team.



All career-staffed TCFD engines are equipped with and personnel trained on the use of rope rescue systems for patient rescues. Resources that responded were TCFD Engines 761, 561, TCFD Battalion 5, TCFD Training 4425, CAL FIRE Tuolumne-Calaveras Unit Engine 4486, Sierra Conservation Center Fire Department Engine 5810, Manteca District Ambulance-Tuolumne Division and CHP Sonora. One patient was flown by PHI Air-Med to a trauma center in Modesto. Complex incidents such as this showcase the successful automatic aid agreements that exist between agencies within Tuolumne County.

Special Announcements

TCFD in the Community

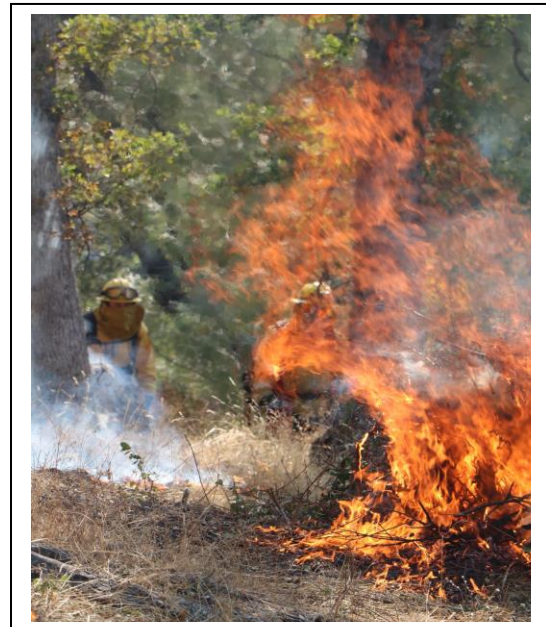
Community Airport Day

On Saturday, October 7th TCFD Engine 631 and Groveland Community Services District Engine 781 participated in the Community Airport Day at the Pine Mountain Lake Airport. Both engines provided fire prevention and safety information to the public and also participated in a demonstration with PHI Air-Med 4-2.



Crook Vegetation Management Program (VMP)

From October 5th through October 8th TCFD personnel assisted the CAL FIRE Tuolumne-Calaveras Unit with treating approximately 100 acres of the Crooks VMP with prescribed fire. This prescribed burn reduced understory vegetation and improved rangeland while most importantly enhancing the fuel break system around the community of Groveland.



Drug Store Project

On Tuesday, October 24th an engine from Tuolumne County Fire Department Mono Village Station 51 along with an engine from the CAL FIRE Tuolumne-Calaveras Unit Standard Station attended the Drug Store Project at the Motherlode Fairgrounds. This event is put on for 7th graders from all of the elementary schools located in Tuolumne County. Your TCFD firefighters explained the importance of being aware of the effects of drugs and also took the opportunity to show the students some of the tools and equipment used by firefighters.



Sound the Alarm Campaign

On Saturday, October 29th your Tuolumne County Firefighters from Engine 791 and Breathing Support 795 partnered with the American Red Cross to install smoke detectors at residences in the Rambling Hills Estates. This campaign helps residents install free smoke alarms, create fire escape plans, and allows TCFD personnel to share fire safety information and answer questions. With the help of all participants, 45 smoke alarms were installed!



Columbia Elementary School Halloween Carnival

On Sunday, October 29th your TCFD Firefighters from Engine 791 and Breathing Support 795 were once again out in the community along with CAL FIRE Tuolumne-Calaveras Unit Prevention 4429. This time they attended the annual Columbia Elementary School Halloween Carnival where they passed out candy at the Trunk-or-Treat and even tried their hand at the potato sack races.



Groveland Community Trunk-or-Treat

On Tuesday, October 31st Tuolumne County Fire Department Engine 631 and Groveland Community Services District Engine 781 participated in the annual Trunk-or-Treat. Both engines enjoyed passing out candy and seeing the costumes of everyone who stopped by to say hello!

Employee Announcements

In October, Senior Fire Inspector Jeff Santos attended a training class put on by Tuolumne County Environmental Health which focused on Environmental Crimes. The material covered in the class went over what is involved in the process of investigating and coordinating efforts across multiple agencies to pursue environmental crimes. The class was targeted to an audience of investigators, law enforcement, and prosecutors from various entities and utilized current law and actual case studies to present the material. Our staff continuously strives to improve their knowledge and skills by pursuing continuing education opportunities in order to provide the highest level of service to the community we are proud to serve.