



CRYSTAL LAKES VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

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-- Chief's Monthly Report-- Jan 16, 2025

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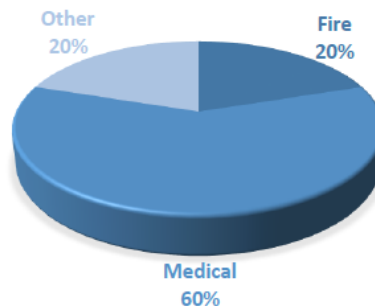
The purpose of this monthly report is to provide the Crystal Lakes Fire Protection District Board with a comprehensive overview of the Crystal Lakes Volunteer Fire Department's activities, progress, and challenges over the past month. This report aims to ensure transparency, accountability, and informed decision-making by presenting information on operational metrics, incident responses, training activities, community outreach efforts, and budgetary considerations. By highlighting key accomplishments, identifying areas for improvement, and forecasting upcoming needs, this report serves as a vital tool for maintaining the highest standards of safety, efficiency, and service within our community.

Meetings

- Business meeting: Dec Cancelled due to holidays
- Officer meeting: Jan Cancelled due to Dept Appreciation Party
- Mountain Chiefs Meeting: Jan 1, 2025

Emergency Response

- Total: 7 alarms (1 Fire, 5 Med, 1 Other)

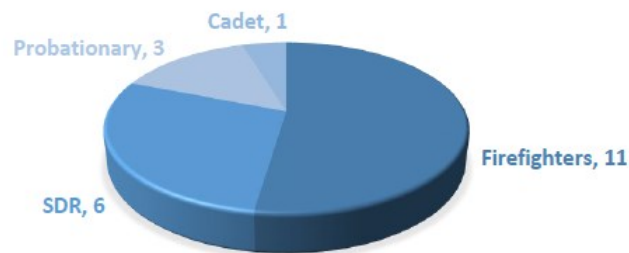


Alarm Details:

Run Number	Date	Type	Location
071	Dec-16	Fire	RF Mutual Aid
072			Issued in Error
073	Dec-24	Med	Elkridge
074	Dec-29	Med	Elkridge
001	Jan-5	Med	Chetco Ct.
002	Jan-5	Med	Chetco Ct.
003	Jan-8	MVA	73C & Modoc Ct.
004	Jan-12	Med	Chippewa Wy.

Personnel

- Current Membership: 21
- Retirement: 1 (Doug Race)
- *New: 0*



Training & Safety

Internal Training:

- Radio Ops Topic
 - **CLVFD Only (1/10/25):** January's department training focused on scene size-up, incident command (IC), and radio operations to strengthen foundational firefighting skills and improve on-scene efficiency. Firefighters reviewed the principles of conducting a 360-degree scene size-up, emphasizing hazard identification, resource assessment, and establishing initial priorities upon arrival. Incident command procedures were practiced, including proper role assignments and the use of ICS protocols for effective command structure. Radio operations were also a key focus, with firefighters practicing clear, concise radio communication under simulated emergency conditions to ensure effective information flow during incidents. The training emphasized both individual proficiency and team coordination, reinforcing the importance of effective leadership and communication in emergency response. This session set a strong foundation for the year, ensuring all personnel are aligned with best practices in command, control, and communication on the fireground.

- **CLVFD & RFLVFD (1/11/25):** On Saturday, Crystal Lakes Volunteer Fire Department (CLVFD) hosted a joint training with Red Feather Lakes Volunteer Fire Department (RFLVFD), focusing on scene size-up, incident command, and radio operations. The scenario-based training involved breaking into smaller groups with personnel from both departments working together. Each group rotated through the role of being first on scene, practicing initial size-up, establishing command, and effectively communicating over the radio. The scenarios were designed to reinforce decision-making, proper ICS role assignments, and effective interdepartmental coordination. Hosting this collaborative training allowed CLVFD to lead instruction while strengthening operational readiness and mutual aid relationships with RFLVFD. The training was well-received, enhancing skills and cooperation between both departments for future joint responses.

External Training:

- EMS: CPR Scenarios - Dec 12st
 - 2 hours (CE eligible) with a UCHealth trainer, including lecture and discussion with real world examples.

2025 Training schedule in place with RFLVFD (subject to change):

Month	Topic	Dates of CLVFD training
JANUARY	Scene Size-Up, ICS,	Jan 10, 2025
FEBRUARY	Apparatus Rodeo (separate)	Feb 6, 2025
MARCH	Ice Rescue	Mar 6, 2025
APRIL	Pumps & Water Delivery	Apr 3, 2025
MAY	Wildland Refresher (full weekend)	May 1, 2025
JUNE	Stillwater Rescue	Jun 5, 2025
JULY	Structure Fire Ops	Jul 3, 2025
AUGUST	Low-Angle Rescue	Aug 7, 2025
SEPTEMBER	Skills Review & Major Incident	Sept 4, 2025
OCTOBER	Extrication	Oct 2, 2025
NOVEMBER	SCBA	Nov 6, 2025
DECEMBER	EMS Topics	Dec 4, 2025

** All dates are subject to change based on the needs of the department.*

Community Outreach / Education

- Planning in progress

Upcoming classes:

- Planning in progress

2025 Department Summer Workshop schedule:

Workshop Title	Date
Planning in progress	

2025 CLVFD& CL Fires Community Event Schedule:

Event	Date
Planning in progress	

- **Department Ops Report:**
 - Apparatus
 - Station
 - Operations
- **Grants**
 - TBD - researching for the year

Respectfully submitted,

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