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A Quarterly Update of What's Going on in Division 3

# San Clemente 2024 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter

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## THE 'HAWKS ARE HERE

June marked both a significant milestone in the OCFA's Air Operation's history and a transformative leap into the future of wildland firefighting and a multi-mission rescue operations in Orange County.

After an extensive five-year period of planning, assessment, and aircraft transformation, OCFA's two new Sikorsky S70 FIREHAWKS were declared ready for the momentous journey to Orange County.



The FIREHAWKS will join the OCFA's two Bell 412EP helicopters, providing the agency with four operation aircraft for the first time since 2020. With cutting-edge technology, water-dropping power, precision, and agility, the FIREHAWKS exponentially bolster OCFA's wildland firefighting and remove rescue capabilities, protecting lives and property with unparalleled speed and safety. True force multiplier in battling wildfire, the FIREHAWKS' water-dropping capabilities eclipse that of the Bell 412's by 256% per drop (1,000 gallons vs. 350 gallons).

Over the coming weeks, our Air Operations personnel will complete the rigorous training process, and we expect the new aircraft to go into service in early August.

# *Resident Medical Information Form – Fill Yours Out to Help Us Enhance Efficiency*

Resident Medical Information Form	
<p><b>Patient Information</b></p> <p>First Name: _____</p> <p>Last Name: _____</p> <p>Date of Birth: _____</p> <p>Weight: _____</p> <p>Street Address: _____</p> <p>City: _____</p> <p>Zip Code: _____</p> <p>Date Completed: _____</p> <p><b>Family Contact Information</b></p> <p>Name: _____</p> <p>Relationship: _____</p> <p>Phone Number: _____</p> <p><b>Hospital Preference</b></p> <p>Primary: _____</p> <p>Alternate: _____</p> <p><b>Primary Care Physician</b></p> <p>Name: _____</p> <p>Number: _____</p> <p><b>DNR / POLST</b></p> <p>DNR (Do Not Resuscitate) Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>POLST (Physician Orders for Life-Sustaining Treatments) Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><small>**Include applicable DNR or POLST orders behind the Resident Medical Information Form**</small></p> <p><b>Allergies to Medications</b> (Check all that apply &amp; list additional below)</p> <p>Amoxicillin <input type="checkbox"/> Iodine <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Aspirin <input type="checkbox"/> Morphine <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Cipro <input type="checkbox"/> Penicillin <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Codeine <input type="checkbox"/> Sulfa Drugs <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Other: _____</p>	<p><b>Medical History</b> (Check all that apply &amp; list additional below)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Asthma</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Cancer</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Cardiac Dysrhythmia / Arrhythmia</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Cardiac Pacemaker</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Cardiac Angioplasty / Stent</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Cardiac CABG</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Cardiac Heart Failure</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Cardiac Myocardial Infarct</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Cardiac Other</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Dementia / OBS</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Diabetes</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> GI / GUJ – Ulcer / Reflux</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Hypertension</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Neurological – Paraplegia</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Psychiatric / Behavioral / Anxiety</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Renal Disease / Dialysis</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Respiratory – COPD / Emphysema / Bronchitis</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Seizure</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Stroke / TIA</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Substance Abuse</p> <p>Other: 1) _____</p> <p>2) _____</p> <p>3) _____</p> <p>4) _____</p> <p>5) _____</p> <p><b>Medications</b> (List all medications below)</p> <p>1) _____</p> <p>2) _____</p> <p>3) _____</p> <p>4) _____</p> <p>5) _____</p> <p>6) _____</p> <p>7) _____</p> <p>8) _____</p> <p>9) _____</p> <p>10) _____</p> <p>11) _____</p> <p>12) _____</p>

Paramedics need medical information fast as seconds matter. Medical history, medications, allergies, hospital preference, emergency contact info is all pieces of info we use to help treat a patient effective and efficiently. Spouses and partners may not be able to recall all the specific details, so the form helps in these situations, whether someone has dementia, a language barrier, unconscious, or scared a prefilled form gives first responders what they need to best care for the patient.

Help us get the word out. The OCFA provides a Resident Medical Information Form which is designed to enhance efficiency on medical calls and enable the OCFA crews to have access to vital information on scene. Fill your out today; visit [OCFA.org](http://OCFA.org) and find the form under the **Residents** tab.

## *SENDING OUR BEST*

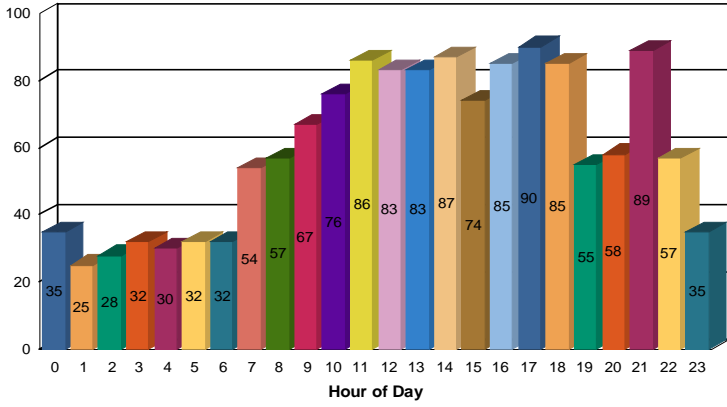


In June two fast-moving wildfires in Southern New Mexico took the lives of two people, prompted the evacuation of thousands of people and scorched more than 23,000 acres. FEMA California Task Force 5 deployed three Human Remain Detection Canine Handlers with K-9s Mia, Keres and Mazie to assist in the recovery efforts of the aftermath of the tragic New Mexico wildfires. The town of Ruidoso, New Mexico alone lost 1,400 structures.

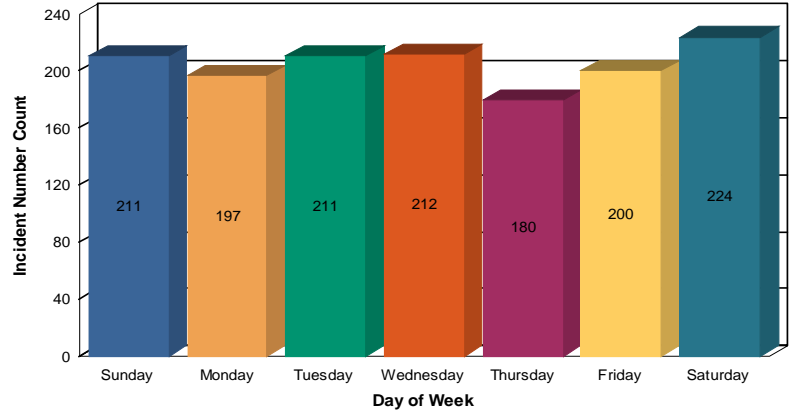
The OCFA is the sponsoring agency for the CA TF-5. This Urban Search & Rescue Task Force is one of 28 National and one of 8 California US&R Task Forces that respond as a FEMA or California OES resource during National or regional emergencies such as earthquakes, terrorist attacks, hurricanes or any other natural or manmade disaster that requires highly skilled search and rescue personnel. Although US&R Task Forces are FEMA resources, the Task Forces work for and in support of local agencies.

# Incidents By Category

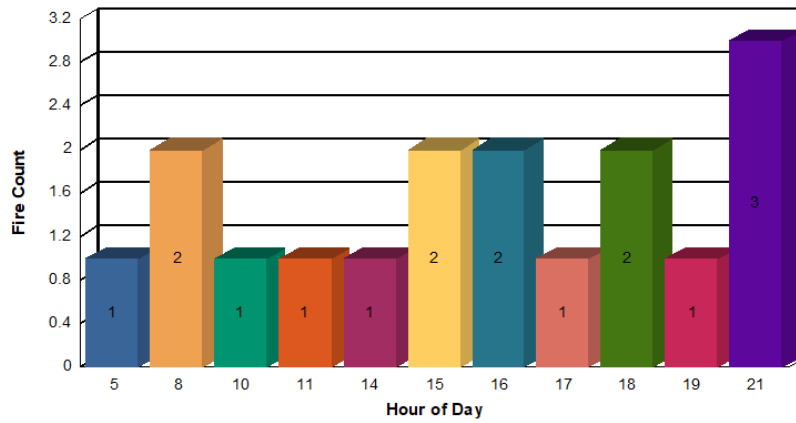
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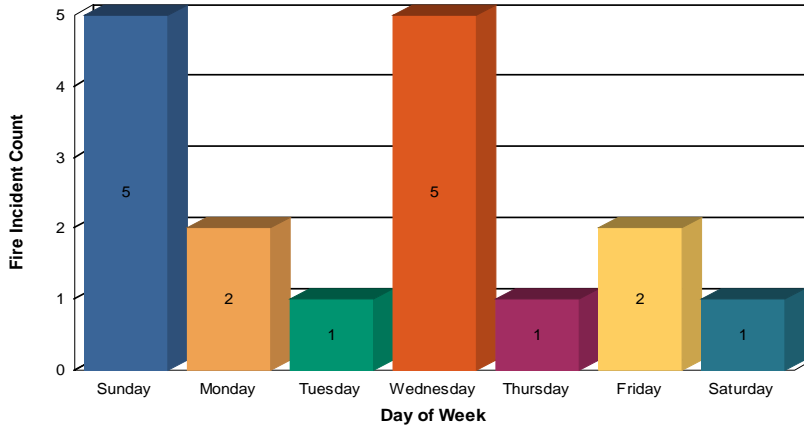
## Incident By Day of Week



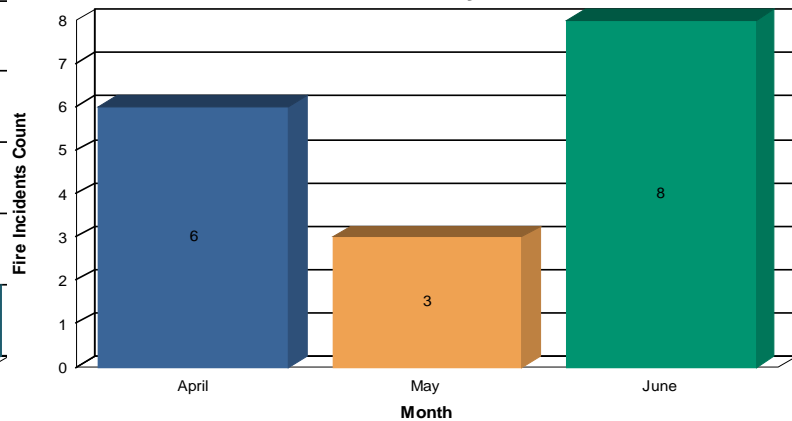
## Fires by Hour of Day



## Fires Incidents by Day of Week



## Fires Incidents by Month





# OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES



Throughout Orange County there are dozens of beautiful trails that residents enjoy at night or on the weekends. Being prepared is the key to staying safe while enjoying outdoor activities. Use the safety tips below to help you plan and prepare before your next hike or bike ride.



Since 2018, the number of remote rescues in Orange County continue to rise with over 100 rescues taking place per year. By the end of 2020, the number of rescues is projected to more than double!



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## General Best Practices

- Drink water before, during and after your activity. The general rule of thumb is 1 liter or 32 ounces of water per hour, per person.
- Wear comfortable and breathable clothing that you can layer based on the weather. Ensure that you are wearing sturdy hiking shoes that provide ankle support.
- Pack a backpack for clothing, water, identification, gear and snacks. Don't forget to bring any medications or information on health-related issues you may have.
- Wear sunglasses that block 100% of ultraviolet rays and ensure that you are reapplying sunscreen every 2 hours or as needed.
- Consider taking a first aid class and carry a small first aid kit with you before you hit the trails.
- Ensure that your devices are charged or bring a portable charger for navigation, contact purposes or emergencies.

## Trail Tips

- Keep an eye on the weather and know the conditions of the trails before you go out.
- Use the buddy system and never hike or bike alone. Consider leaving your plan detailed out at home with a responsible person. Call and check in when you start and finish your activity.
- Stay on the trail and stay alert to your surroundings.
- Use trails that fit your abilities and your health conditions. Do not take on too much if you have not prepared for the hike or the trail that you have chosen.
- Plan your hike or bike ride to avoid peak heat hours.

# Incident Responses

## INCIDENT RESPONSES

CALL TYPE	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	Total	Monthly Average
Medical Aid - Automatic Paramedic Alarm	13	17	13	11	8	14							76	13
Medical Aid- Back to Bed/ Lift Assist	11	14	20	18	18	14							95	16
Medical Aid- Cardiac (Chest Paint, Cardiac Arrest)	34	33	40	29	34	30							200	33
Medical Aid - Stroke (Unconscious, Altered Mental State)	62	62	59	63	59	66							371	62
Medical Aid- Diabetic Emergency	8	8	6	5	2	7							36	6
Medical Aid- Respiratory (Respiratory Arrest, Difficulty Breathing)	41	37	48	46	40	38							250	42
Medical Aid- Fall	93	87	77	93	87	80							517	86
Medical Aid - Illness (Sick Person, Injury, Illness)	37	52	48	46	48	49							280	47
Medical Aid- Abdominal Pain	25	26	26	21	20	29							147	25
Medical Aid- Seizure	14	14	9	9	8	9							63	11
Medical Aid - Misc. (Choking, Headache, Pregnancy, Bleeding, Assault, Burn, Intoxication, Psychiatric, Environmental)	41	42	40	49	54	61							287	48
Medical Aid- Traffic Collision (Auto vs Auto, Auto vs Pedestrian)	25	35	27	19	27	24							157	26
Fire - Structure	3	8	4	6	4	1							26	4
Fire - Vehicle/ Dumpster	2	4	2	2	1	6							17	3
Fire- Vegetation, Brush, Tree, Bush, Misc.	6	3	4	5	4	9							31	5
Service Call- Misc. (Odor Check, Stuck Elevator, Automatic Fire Alarm)	56	58	44	58	52	51							319	53
<b>Total Monthly Incidents</b>	<b>471</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>467</b>	<b>480</b>	<b>466</b>	<b>488</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2872</b>	<b>479</b>
<b>CALL TYPE</b>	<b>JAN</b>	<b>FEB</b>	<b>MAR</b>	<b>APR</b>	<b>MAY</b>	<b>JUN</b>	<b>JUL</b>	<b>AUG</b>	<b>SEP</b>	<b>OCT</b>	<b>NOV</b>	<b>DEC</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>MO. AVG.</b>
Medical Aids	404	427	413	409	405	421	0	0	0	0	0	0	2479	413
Fires	11	15	10	13	9	16	0	0	0	0	0	0	74	12
Misc	56	58	44	58	52	51	0	0	0	0	0	0	319	53

## Your Firefighters in Action

**Incident # 24-072018**  
**May 25<sup>th</sup>**

With multiple reports of fire from a restaurant in the 200 block of South El Camino Real, more than 50 firefighters responded as part of a two-alarm assignment, knocked down the fire that had spread into the void spaces, and prevented it from spreading throughout the restaurant. Everyone had evacuated before our arrival, and no injuries were reported.



**Incident # 24-048449**  
**April 6<sup>th</sup>**

Dispatchers in our Emergency Command Center received multiple calls shortly before 5:30 AM for a fire in a home in the 2300 block of Calle La Serna. Engine 60 was the first-arriving unit and found a well-involved fire in a single-family home. Engine 60 established command and requested additional resources. It took firefighters 49 minutes to get the fire under control.



## Community Outreach

Some 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Events:

- On April 16<sup>th</sup>, the crew from station 59 visited with students at Vista Del Mar Elementary School.
- On June 12<sup>th</sup>, our Public Educator assisted in replacing a smoke alarm for senior citizen that lived alone and could not reach the expired alarm.
- On June 13<sup>th</sup>, Engine 60 and our Public Educator visited with a group of approximately 30 mothers and 30 children at the San Clemente Library.