



March Re-Cap

Monthly Summary

March 2025 was a dynamic and impactful month for Cathedral City Fire & EMS. The department continued to expand and enhance its services through focused training, community engagement, staffing advancements, and interagency collaboration. Significant efforts were made in fire prevention, public education, and preparing for enhanced emergency response through new technologies and procedures.

March Highlights:

- Launch of the Car Seat Safety Program, installing 20+ car seats for local families.
- Participation in community events such as Principal for a Day, Touch-A-Truck Career Day, and the Police vs. Fire Meatball Showdown.
- Ongoing work on the Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) and Local Hazard Mitigation Plan (LHMP).
- Firefighter training ramped up with realistic tower drills at the Roy Wilson Training Center.
- Key recruitment success with all Ambulance Operator positions filled.

In total, the department responded to 595 emergency service calls, including 469 EMS incidents, with 394 billable transports and 9 fire-related calls. Department-wide collaboration and public outreach efforts reinforced Cathedral City Fire & EMS's commitment to proactive, transparent, and high-quality service delivery.

Key Achievements

- **Car Seat Safety Program kickoff event on March 22, with over 20 installations reported.**
- **EMS Program Enhancements in collaboration with the Medical Director.**
- **Participation in the Tablet Command accountability software rollout.**
- **One-on-one staff development meetings conducted by the Fire Chief.**
- **Badge Pinning Ceremony for new team members.**
- **Community engagement meeting at Date Palm Country Club regarding recent fire and hydrant access.**



Operational Stats

WEEKLY BREAKDOWN

- MARCH 6: 149 CALLS (110 EMS, 91 TRANSPORTS, 4 FIRES)
- MARCH 13: 139 CALLS (117 EMS, 96 TRANSPORTS, 2 FIRES)
- MARCH 20: 142 CALLS (113 EMS, 96 TRANSPORTS, 1 FIRE)
- MARCH 27: 165 CALLS (129 EMS, 111 TRANSPORTS, 2 FIRES)

Category	Totals
Total Calls	595
EMS Calls	469
Billable Transports	394
Fire Calls	9
Fire Inspections Passed	104

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT



Fire Marshal Pivaroff reading to students at Rio Vista Elementary



Group Photo at the LGBT+ Days Bed Races

Mutual Aid & Major Incidents

- **Structure Fire on Placid Place**
- **Tesla Fire on I-10 (3/6)**
- **Vehicle Fire on I-10 West of Date Palm (3/27)**
- **Mobile Home Fire at Date Palm Country Club, which prompted a community meeting and operational review.**

MUTUAL AID SUMMARY

Agency	Aid Received	Aid Given	Aid Denied	Auto Aid Received
AMR	9	3	9	1 Canceled
Riverside County Fire (RIVCO)	4	2	0	2
Palm Springs Fire (PS Fire)	4	1	0	0

BADGE PINNING CEREMONY



Fire Prevention & CRR

Fire Prevention

104 inspections passed of 152 conducted in March.

Fire plan reviews completed for:

- Residential sprinklers at Campanile, Vesta at Escena, and Terrace Road.
- Alarm plan corrections at 32475 Date Palm.
- Fire access plan reviews for multiple projects.
- Conditional use permits and floor plan reviews.
- Cannabis business follow-ups.

Community Risk Reduction & Community Engagement

- LGBTQ+ Days Bed Races – Cathedral City Fire & EMS proudly participated in the annual Bed Races as part of LGBTQ+ Days, showing support and solidarity with our diverse community.
- Community Meeting at Date Palm Country Club regarding mobile home fire and hydrant access.
- Fire Marshal participation in Women's History Month reading at Rio Vista Elementary.
- Principal for a Day event at Cathedral City High School.
- Car Seat Safety Program Launch – March 22.
- Touch-A-Truck Career Day – March 26.
- Police vs. Fire Meatball Showdown – March 26.

Recruitment & Staffing

- **New Ambulance Operator: Charles Melvin was sworn in and began training March 18.**
- **All Ambulance Operator positions are now filled.**
- **Roy Wilson Tower Training launched for new recruits.**
- **Engineer Exam preparations completed with BC Sanborn.**



Leadership Development

Cathedral City Fire & EMS is committed to developing the next generation of fire service leaders. In March, the department prioritized staff mentorship, career path planning, and targeted training opportunities to strengthen internal leadership capacity.

- One-on-one career development meetings were conducted between the Fire Chief and staff to identify professional goals and leadership interests.
- Engineer promotional exam preparation was completed, supporting internal advancement.
- Upcoming leadership courses and opportunities are being evaluated to support succession planning, team cohesion, and supervisory effectiveness.

Grants, Funding, & Training

- Coordination with Wittman Enterprises on ambulance billing review.
- Participation in City Fee Study meetings.
- Tablet Command rollout meetings to improve dispatch and tracking.
- Over 1,900 training hours logged across EMS, suppression, admin, and rescue categories.
- Knot-tying Cadet training held March 15 with FF Cayden Lujan.



Training & Professional Dev.

Monthly Total Training Hours

Over the course of March 2025, Cathedral City Fire & EMS personnel accumulated a combined 1,939.25 training hours. These hours were dedicated to refining EMS operations, fire suppression tactics, apparatus operations, and community risk reduction.

Program	Monthly Total Hours
Administrative	244
Apparatus Ops	52
Clerical & Budget	6
Construction	9.5
EMS	204.5
Fire Investigation & Arson	20
Hazmat	9.5
ICS	166
Instructor Training	1
Physical Fitness	263.5
Portable & Small Equip	126
Prevention	410.75
Rescue	123
Suppression	231
Training, College	27
Training, Non-College	32
Vehicle Repair	13.5
Total	1939.25

Resident Safety Awareness

What Every Resident Should Know About Fire Hydrant Accessibility

In Cathedral City, one of the most critical components of effective firefighting is the availability and accessibility of functional fire hydrants. Hydrants that are blocked, damaged, or dry can significantly delay fire response.

Resident Tips:

- Keep 3 feet of clearance around hydrants at all times.
- Do not park vehicles in front of hydrants — even temporarily.
- Report leaking, missing caps, or damaged hydrants to Cathedral City Public Works or Fire Department.
- Property owners and HOA managers should inspect hydrants regularly for overgrown vegetation or obstructions.

Maintaining fire hydrant access is a simple but powerful way to improve fire safety response times and protect our neighborhoods.

Upcoming Events

Hands-Only CPR & Stop the Bleed

Date/Time: Saturday, April 26, 2025 | 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Location: 32100 Desert Vista Rd

Car Seat Safety Program

Date/Time: Saturday, May 1, 2025 | 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM

Location: 32100 Desert Vista Rd (EOC)

Description: This one-day event provides hands-on demonstrations and assistance with proper car-seat installation.

Car Seat Safety Program

Date/Time: Saturday, May 24, 2025 | 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM

Location: 32100 Desert Vista Rd (EOC)

Description: This one-day event provides hands-on demonstrations and assistance with proper car-seat installation.

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OUR SOCIAL MEDIA



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