



ANNUAL REPORT 2017-18 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Central Florida Fire Chiefs' Association (CFFCA) serves Fire/EMS agencies throughout the Orange, Seminole, Osceola, and Lake Counties. This geographical area currently consists of 33 agencies. Of these agencies, 25 are active member agencies, including 1 additional agency from outside our 4-county area. As of March 31st, 2018, the CFFCA Roster stands at 215 members from a previous year roster of 199 members.

There were 10 monthly meetings held as scheduled with meeting reminders transmitted via e-mail group. The annual CFFCA social luncheon was held at the FFCA Summer Conference in Sanibel with 34 in attendance. The March 2018 business meeting once again served as the East Central Florida Regional Meeting for the Florida Fire Chiefs Association – hosted by the CFFCA with 54 in attendance. Two [2] CFFCA members continue to serve as officers on the FFCA Board of Directors providing statewide leadership and very favorable Central Florida representation.

The Board of Directors conducted 9 online Go-To-Meetings throughout the year and 1 on-site annual workshop at the Hilton. The BOD also partnered with the IAFC and Orange County Fire Rescue Department in planning and hosting one [1] professional development symposium [Company Officer Leadership 1]. This symposium was 3-days in length and was approved by the State for 21 CEUs. Ninety-nine officers attended this nationally recognized program. No organized social outings were held during the business year.

General Membership Meetings were well attended with all business meetings easily mustering a quorum under the bylaws. An average of 14 agencies and 30 members were present at each meeting which continues to represent a very favorable interest by the membership. There were 8 meeting programs scheduled and presented by guest speakers throughout the year to those in attendance. Our 30 corporate partners continued to remain very active in our monthly meetings by logging 86 visits throughout the business year. Over the course of the year, 104 guests were introduced and welcomed at the monthly meetings, including 17 guest agencies or other associations that were in attendance. Representatives from both the Volusia County Fire Chiefs' Association and the Space Coast Fire Chiefs' Association attended various CFFCA monthly meetings, including other State/Local dignitaries. CFFCA logo coasters were provided to guest speakers and other visiting VIPs.

The 2017 Chief Craig Haun Leadership Award was bestowed upon CFFCA Fire Chief Charles Carnsale [Apopka FD]. Other special presentations were made throughout the business year to distinguished members for their honorable services rendered.

The CFFCA web site continues to serve the CFFCA membership as a reliable source of information on the CFFCA, its mission, and activities. The website's electronic calendar went off-line during the business year. Other e-calendar host companies are being explored to restore this website feature. The website is routinely updated by the Secretary/Treasurer to provide users with the most current information on CFFCA. In addition to the monthly business meetings, electronic e-mail notices were used as the primary means of communicating with the CFFCA membership. The most current minutes of meetings and other pertinent documents (bylaws, strategic plan, BOD minutes, annual report, and Program Power Points) were made available for downloading via the CFFCA web site.

The financial and business profile of the CFFCA remains very solvent with a year-end treasury balance of \$11,530 as of March 31st, 2018. Agency membership is up with greater agency participation levels. The Corporate Partner memberships [1st Alarm, 2nd Alarm, or 3rd Alarm levels] continue to provide very positive support of the CFFCA mission. When called upon, several of our partners have graciously sponsored CFFCA seminars and the summer social luncheon to significantly offset the overhead costs of these special venues.

All three (3) strategic plan "focus areas" established by the Board of Directors were used as a business plan guide. Overall, favorable progress was made to meet the majority of these goals.