



ANNUAL REPORT 2018-19 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 2 additional agencies from outside our 4-county area. As of March 31st, 2019, the CFFCA Roster stands at 224 members from a previous year roster of 215 members.

There were 11 monthly meetings held as scheduled with meeting reminders transmitted via e-mail group. The annual CFFCA social luncheon was held at the FFFCA Summer Conference in Ponte Vedra with 42 in attendance. The March 2019 business meeting once again served as the East Central Florida Regional Meeting for the Florida Fire Chiefs Association – hosted by the CFFCA with 64 in attendance. Two [2] CFFCA members continue to serve as officers on the FFFCA Board of Directors providing statewide leadership and very favorable Central Florida representation.

The Board of Directors conducted 8 online Go-To-Meetings throughout the year and 1 on-site annual workshop at the Hilton. There were no leadership seminars or symposiums sponsored or held by the CFFCA. One [1] organized social outings was scheduled, but later cancelled due to weather and low attendance registration. A significant change in Board member positions due to the retirement of the CFFCA President, District 1 Orange County Director, and CFFCA Chaplain. Through the nominations and election process all positions were filled by a general membership vote and/or Board appointments in accordance with CFFCA bylaws.

General Membership Meetings were well attended with all business meetings easily mustering a quorum under the bylaws. An average of 14 agencies and 29 members were present at each meeting which continues to represent a very favorable interest by the membership. There were 11 meeting programs scheduled and presented by guest speakers throughout the year to those in attendance. Our 33 corporate partners continued to remain very active in our monthly meetings by logging 92 visits throughout the business year. Over the course of the year, 128 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 CFFCA Fire Chief Craig Haun Leadership Award was bestowed upon CFFCA Fire Chief Kim Neisler [Maitland 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 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 \$10,756 as of March 31st, 2019. 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 graciously sponsored CFFCA seminars and the summer social luncheon to significantly offset the overhead costs of these special venues, including our "Ragan Day" event held in September 2018.

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.