



# COLLEGE VILLAGE



## Fire Safety Report 2024

Data Dates: January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023

## **College Village Information**

College Village is a foundation owned student housing facility, located east of SUNY GCC Batavia Campus at 8170 Batavia Stafford Townline Rd, Batavia, NY 14020.

College Village has eleven student housing buildings: Oak (A), Beech (B), Cedar (C), Pine (D), Birch (E), Maple (F), Spruce (G), Hickory (H), Willow (I), Lilac (J) and Hemlock (K).

Approximately three hundred students resided the eleven of the residence apartment halls in College Village in 2023

The SUNY Fire Safety Report is prepared by Genesee Community College Campus Safety Department.

## **Reporting An Emergency**

### **Emergency:**

- Local Emergency Responders: 9-1-1
- Genesee Community College Campus Safety 585-345-6500

### **Non-emergency:**

Listed below are the non-emergency numbers to call to report fires that have already been extinguished in on-campus student housing. These are fires for which you are unsure whether the College Safety Office may already be aware. If you find evidence of such a fire or if you hear about such a fire, please contact the following: SUNY GCC Campus Safety: (585) 345-6500

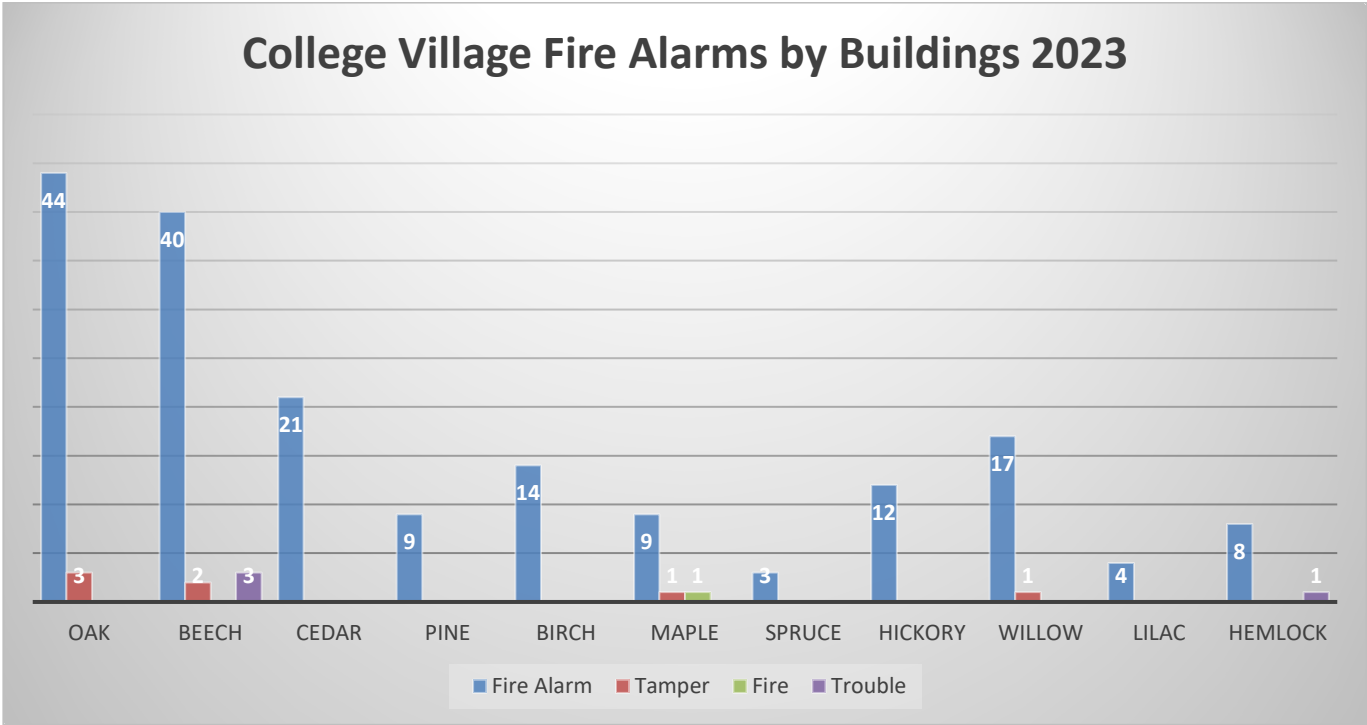
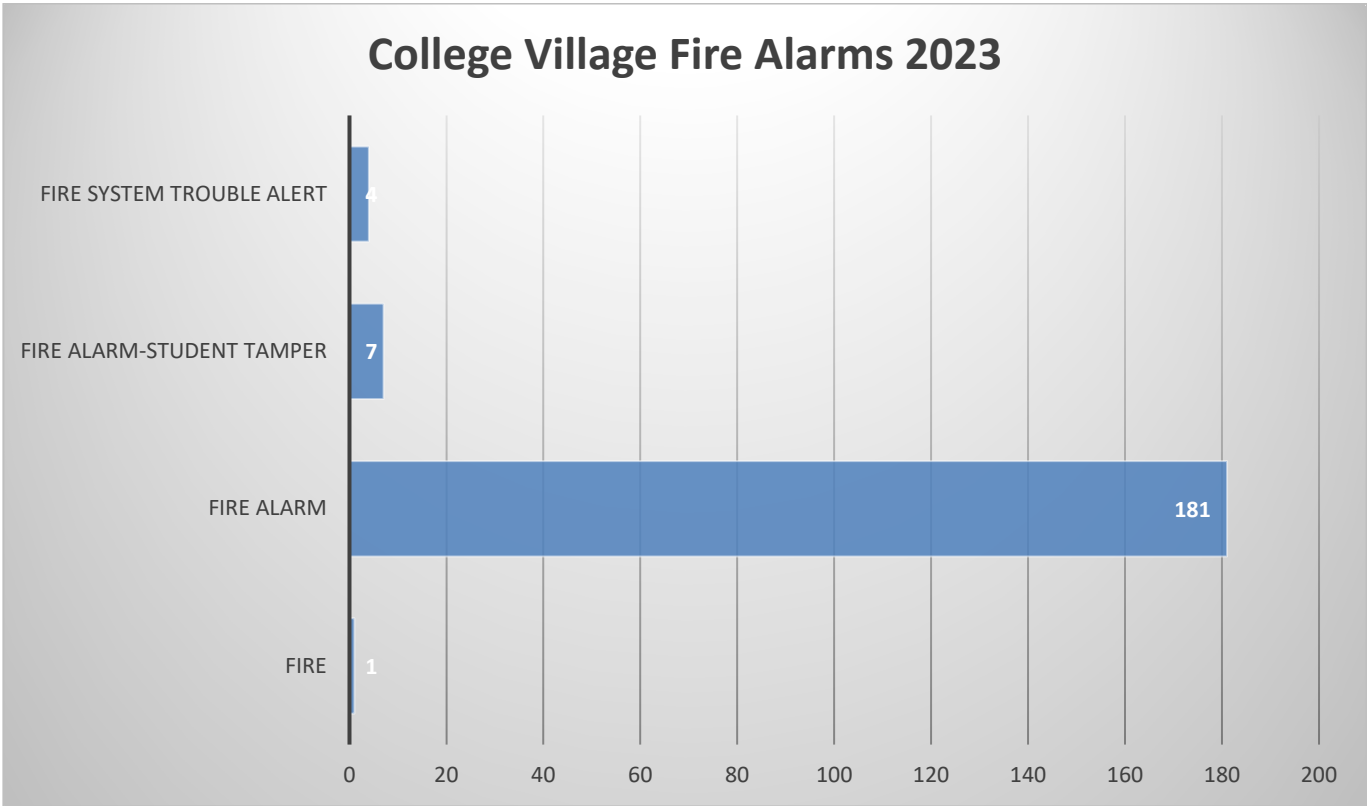
When calling, provide as much information as possible about the location, date, time, and cause of the fire.

## **Fire Statistics**

SUNY GCC's fire log is maintained by Genesee Community College and is available by contacting GCC Campus Safety. Please note that cases of arson would also be reported in the crime section of this document.

In 2011, The U.S. Department of Education published The Handbook for Campus Safety and Security Reporting. In the handbook, the U.S. Department of Education definition of "control" was clarified to include foundation owned

property. As such, SUNY GCC began collecting statistics for College Village, a GCC foundation owned student housing facility in 2011. Fire statistics for the 2023 calendar year is included in this report.



## Fire Safety Systems in Student Housing Facilities

Building	Fire Alarm Monitoring Off Site (by third party)	Sprinkler System	Smoke Detection	Heat Detection	Fire Extinguisher Devices	Pull Stations	Number of Evacuation (fire) drills each calendar year
Oak Hall	√	√	√	√	√	√	4
Beech Hall	√	√	√	√	√	√	4
Cedar Hall	√	√	√	√	√	√	4
Pine Hall	√	√	√	√	√	√	4
Lilac Hall	√	√	√	√	√	√	4
Hemlock Hall	√	√	√	√	√	√	4
Birch Hall	√	√	√	√	√	√	4
Maple Hall	√	√	√	√	√	√	4
Spruce Hall	√	√	√	√	√	√	4
Hickory Hall	√	√	√	√	√	√	4
Willow Hall	√	√	√	√	√	√	4

√= Present

## Safety Inspections & Prohibited Items and Activities

The Safety and Maintenance Offices perform Residence Hall Health and Safety (H&S) Inspections periodically throughout the fall and spring semesters. All other inspections are unannounced. Also, during incidents and by maintenance requests, Health and Safety inspections can be commissioned based on the condition of the room. The H&S inspections are primarily designed to find and eliminate safety violations. Students are required to read and comply with the College Village License Agreement which includes the H&S inspections and all other rules and regulations for residential buildings. The inspections include, but are not limited to, a visual examination of electrical cords, sprinkler heads, smoke detectors, fire extinguishers and other life safety systems. In addition, each room is examined for the presence of prohibited items (e.g., sources of open flames, such as candles; non-surge protected extension cords; halogen lamps; portable cooking appliances in non-kitchen areas; etc.) or prohibited activity (e.g., smoking in the room; tampering with life safety equipment; possession of pets; etc.). This

inspection will also include a general assessment of food and waste storage and cleanliness of the room. Prohibited items are immediately confiscated.

During the calendar year, staff has many safety inspections. These inspections generate conversation about updates to building fire safety codes and recommendations. With their recommendations, College Village updates its buildings in compliance with the code.

## **Safety & Education**

Fire safety education programs for all students living in on-campus student housing and all employees that have any association with on-campus student housing are held at the beginning of each semester. These programs are designed to familiarize everyone with the fire safety system in each housing facility and train everyone on the procedures to be followed in the event of a fire. Information is distributed pertaining to College Village's fire safety policies. During these presentations, the presenters emphasize that participation in fire drills by residents is mandatory.

Fire safety education and training programs are conducted by local fire authorities as well as the Director of Campus Safety who is experienced in College Village fire safety matters. Additionally, residence assistants receive additional hands-on training in fire prevention and education techniques.

## **Emergency Evacuation**

College Village has contracted Sonitrol Alarms to service and monitor fire alarms. When an alarm sounds in a College Village residence hall or administrative building, there is a wireless transmission sent to Sonitrol Alarm notifying them of the alarm and location. Sonitrol calls Genesee Community College Campus Safety. Campus Safety will then assess the cause of the alarm and notify Genesee County Emergency Services directly and appropriately. In the event of an alarm sounding, College Village expects that all occupants of the building will evacuate by the nearest or safest exit. Once safely outside a building, it is appropriate to contact Campus Safety. Should the wireless transmission fail, and this be unknown to Campus Safety, they will then call 911. Students and staff are informed where to relocate by staff if circumstance warrants at the time of the alarm.

College Village policy is that all occupants must evacuate from the building, as quickly as possible. Fire extinguisher and evacuation training is provided to staff and students. After an alarm investigation is completed by Campus Safety, residents may reenter the building.