## **Investigations**

Investigators are certified by Georgia Firefighter Standard and Training Council and also by Georgia Police Officers Standards and Training as Law Enforcement Personnel with the responsibility to investigate fires involving loss of life, criminal activity, or multiple alarm fires. The fire investigators handle all investigations of suspicious and arson fires within the City of Union City. The fire investigator responds to incidents involving:

- Fires believed to be intentionally set
- Fires involving juveniles
- Fires involving a fatality
- Fires involving a high dollar loss
- Acts of terrorism
- Other related hazards and/or fires requested by the on-scene incident commander. The primary responsibilities of the investigator are to determine the origin of a fire scene as set forth in NFPA 921

We will vigorously prosecute criminals who intentionally damage property by fire. We will effectively and efficiently arrest criminals involved in fires ensuring the general public and the citizens of Union City are safe from such criminals. We will provide accurate testimony in court to relate the facts concerning the incident to the court and jury. We will assist all victims of fire in fire prevention issues to prevent future fires. We will remain neutral and unbiased regarding the investigation to establish the facts that surround the incident. We will provide an accurate summary and all investigative findings of the investigation to the Fire Chief. We will faithfully carry out all other duties and assignments given by the Fire Chief or Assistant Fire Chief to make the Department run in an efficient and professional manner.

If you have information concerning any crime involving fire, contact a City of Union City Fire Investigator at (770) 515-7958.