



# SUNSTITES-PEARCE FIRE DISTRICT

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## Fire Chief's Report for August 2018

1. **EMS Calls= 36**
  - A. In District Calls=20
  - B. Out of District Calls=16
  - C. Number of Patients Transported=18
  - D. Number of Patients Flown Out=0
  - E. Number of Patient Refusals =14
  - F. Number of rollover or Motor Vehicle Accidents=1
  - G. Number of Mutual Aid Given Calls= 3, 3-HCI
  - H. Number of Mutual Aid Received Calls= 0
  - I. Number of Dead on Arrival Calls=1
  - J. Good Intent= 3
  
2. **Fire Calls=19**
  - A. In District Calls=10
  - B. Out of District Calls=9
  - C. Brush Fires = 6 (FA 758, Rock Creek, Kit Carson, Tenino (OR), Adams, Lizard)
  - D. Structure Fires= 1
  - E. Car Fires=1
  - F. Hazardous Materials= 0
  - G. Good Intent=3
  - H. Service Calls= 8
  - I. Mutual Aid Given Calls=0
  - J. Mutual Aid Received Calls=0
  - K. Prescribed burns= 0

Total Fire and EMS Calls year to date are 533. Total calls since the July 31, 2018 meeting is 55.

### Training:

1. On duty crews have been completing weekly training sessions. These sessions included: Engine inventory and pumping operations, vehicle inventory and operations, SCBA operations and checks, daily weather briefing, and 6 minutes of safety, extrication air bag training, E-302 driver and operator training, drafting and pumping operations with folding tank and E-302, rope rescue training, swift water rescue training, review near miss reports and structure fire collapse incidents.

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2. Company training was conducted on August 25, 2018. We moved equipment to E-302 and placed it in service, frontline. We trained on E-302 operations, pumping, weekly checks, and inventory.
3. Target Solutions topics: Confined space, rope rescue,
4. I attended the Southwest Trauma Conference on August 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>. Thank you to Life Net Arizona/ Air Methods for sponsoring me to attend.
5. Firefighters Austin, Escojido, and Hughes are attending an Officer I, II, and Incident Safety Officer course in Sierra Vista from August to the end of October.
6. We are sending 6 personnel to the Arizona State Fire School in Mesa September 5<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup>.
7. Captain Hershey and Firefighter Burneleit attended a Paramedic refresher at Sierra Vista Fire and Medical in August.
8. We will be participating in a full-scale exercise at Northern Cochise Community Hospital on September 11, 2018.
9. We are meeting with Cochise County agencies and representatives to become more active in the regional technical rescue team and hazardous materials team.

## **Wildland:**

1. We have had 6 additional Wildland assignments since the last meeting. The FA 758, Rock Creek, Kit Carson, Tenino (OR), Adams, and Lizard. We are still owed \$36,180.96 from last fiscal year. We have a total of \$157,919.06 billed to the Arizona Department of Forestry and Fire Management. We will not be going on any more out of state assignments until the outstanding balance is paid down.

## **Out of District Fires:**

1. We currently have a balance of \$56,123.02 outstanding for 21 fires that occurred outside of the district boundaries since 2012. Of the out of district fires, nine incidents, with a total of \$ 29,210.37 are in collections. Total unpaid balance that is not in collections is \$ 26,912.65

## **Emergency Medical Services:**

August total billings to date are \$ 23,845.56

## **Hazardous Materials:**

None.

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## Maintenance:

1. We are working with Lone Mountain Communications to identify and repair an intermittent radio issue with our channel 1.
2. New E-302 has had all repairs made. The air dryer, full service of motor and transmission, and lettering have all been completed. The total cost for repairs was \$970.32. The lettering was \$700.
3. E-307 had the injector pressure regulator sensor and the high-pressure oil pump replaced in California for \$2,496.86. On the same assignment, the truck had mechanical failure again due to the exhaust gas regulator cooler and oil cooler failing. The repair was \$2,885.95. The vehicle returned from that fire and was running well. No issues on return. The engine took assignment to Oregon where the vehicle had another mechanic failure. The dealership in Oregon was unable to assess but thought the motor was bad. Our in-house mechanic will assess vehicle and advise further. The vehicle did drive home from Oregon with no other issues.
4. T-304 had fuel delivery problem. Needed new primer pump for fuel pump. The front fender guard and mud flap needed replaced. All parts cost \$631.65. Repairs conducted in house.
5. T-304 needed two passenger side rear tires replaced. Tires replaced at Cochise County Farmers Association for \$838.95.
6. E-301 has a battery charging problem. That issue is being diagnosed in house.
7. M-301 had windshield replaced by Safelite. Insurance covered expenses.

## Communication:

1. On site fuel tanks: We have received the information needed through SOCO. We are now looking for a less expensive base options for the tanks. The electrical quote is \$720.
2. Richland Station vandalism update: I have contacted Oak Mountain Construction and they will be repairing the damage soon.
3. The fire hydrant committee: Nothing new to report.
4. The Insurance Services Office will be conducting a site survey tomorrow, August 29, 2018.
5. We will be participating in a Make A Wish Foundation delivery on August 31, 2018. We are honored to be a part of this.
6. I have met with Cochise County officials in hopes that the county will apply for FEMA post fire funds. Captain Hershey and I attended a grant workshop on August 27, 2018. We have proposed repairs to N. Cochise Stronghold Rd.

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7. I spoke at the Cochise County Farm and Livestock Bureau's annual meeting on August 24, 2018. They donated \$1,000 for silo rescue equipment at that meeting.
8. The payment to Community Investment Corporation has been completed. We have received the title for M 301 back. We thank them for their professionalism and compassion. I have also given them a statement to use on their website as a testimonial.
9. We have received almost all the rescue equipment that was purchased with the West Central Initiative Riverview Fund. We still have approximately \$3,000 from that donation to use for training. We cannot thank them enough for their generous donation.
10. We have received notice that Southwest Gas Corporation will be donating a truck to us. We are unsure what it will be. They will not give the vehicle directly to us and would prefer that we track this vehicle through a 501C-3 organization. I have been in contact with the Sunsites Community Association and will be meeting with them on September 10, 2018 to discuss the possibility of them acting as a pass through.
11. Old E-302; The new owner has taken ownership of that vehicle. It has also been removed from our insurance.
12. Grants:
  - The Assistance to Firefighters Grant: Our 2018 proposal was denied. The Cochise County Fire Association Regional grant proposal was submitted.
  - Arizona Governor's Highway Safety Grant; Our proposal was denied
  - The Gila River grant has been submitted.
  - The Pascua Yaqui grant has been submitted.
  - Legacy Foundation grant; Our proposal was denied
  - Arizona Community Foundation grant; Our proposal was accepted. We received \$5,000 for air quality monitors.
  - Ft. McDowell grant has been submitted.
  - Firehouse Subs grant; We were denied this grant.
  - Tohono O'odham grant has been submitted.
  - Ak Chin grant has been submitted.
  - The 100 Club grant has been submitted. We have been awarded \$5,000 for structural personal protective equipment.
  - The Walmart grant; Our proposal was partial funded. We received \$500 for structural gloves and protective hoods.
  - Legacy Foundation Innovative Grant; Has been submitted
13. Ambulance: USDA funding; I have sent Mr. Hooper the documentation needed to proceed. I have called and emailed him with no reply yet.

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14. Hazardous Properties: We will plan the reminder of the golf course hazard mitigation later in the fall.
15. Local Emergency Planning Committee report, The LEPC's last meeting was August 17, 2018. Again, the LEPC is seeking Tier II reporting facilities within Cochise County to complete site visits and pre-plans. The next meeting is October 19, 2018.
16. Cochise County Fire Association report: The next Fire Association meeting is September 26, 2018 and will be hosted by the Sunsites-Pearce Fire District and Life Net/Air Methods.
17. Introduce the on-duty crew to the public.