



SUNSTITES-PEARCE FIRE DISTRICT

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Fire Chief's Report for September 2018

1. **EMS Calls= 34**
 - A. In District Calls=21
 - B. Out of District Calls=13
 - C. Number of Patients Transported=29
 - D. Number of Patients Flown Out=1
 - E. Number of Patient Refusals =6
 - F. Number of rollover or Motor Vehicle Accidents=2
 - G. Number of Mutual Aid Given Calls= 4, 3-HCI, 1 Douglas Fire
 - H. Number of Mutual Aid Received Calls= 1, Elfrida Fire
 - I. Number of Dead on Arrival Calls=0
 - J. Good Intent= 0

2. **Fire Calls=18**
 - A. In District Calls=11
 - B. Out of District Calls=7
 - C. Brush Fires = 3 (Tyree, FA I-10, FA 181)
 - D. Structure Fires= 0
 - E. Car Fires=1
 - F. Hazardous Materials= 2
 - G. Good Intent=9
 - H. Service Calls= 4
 - I. Mutual Aid Given Calls=2
 - J. Mutual Aid Received Calls=0
 - K. Prescribed burns= 0

Total Fire and EMS Calls year to date are 585. Total calls since the August 28, 2018 meeting is 52.

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, turnout and SCBA drills, Hose pulls, Pumping operations, E-302 drafting and pumping operations, Fire behavior flow path training, orientation of new rescue equipment, Mayday drills, and ethics in the fire service.
2. Target Solutions topics: Confined space, rope rescue,

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3. 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.
4. We sent 6 personnel to the Arizona State Fire School in Mesa September 5th-9th.
5. We participated in the full-scale exercise at Northern Cochise Community Hospital on September 11, 2018.
6. I attended HazMat training at the Tucson Fire Department on September 19, 2018.
7. We will be participating in a full-scale exercise in Sierra Vista on October 11, 2018.

Wildland:

1. We have had 3 additional Wildland assignments since the last meeting. The Tyree, FA I-10, and the FA 181. We have a total of \$127,832.75 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 \$62,056.44 outstanding for 23 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 \$ 32,846.07

Emergency Medical Services:

September total billings to date are \$ 39,885.05

Hazardous Materials:

1. We have responded to two hazardous materials scenes. One was a tanker truck rollover on I-10 and the other was the sewage release in Naco.
2. Capt. Hershey, FF Hughes, and I attended the Cochise County HazMat team quarterly training on September 24, 2018.

Maintenance:

1. We are working with Lone Mountain Communications to identify and repair an intermittent radio issue with our channel 1.
2. E-307 is running. After diagnosis it was determined that the motor needs to be rebuilt or replaced. The rings on the pistons are bad. We will use this as a backup only and will be looking for a replacement cab and chassis.
3. E-301 has a battery charging problem. It was determined that the alternator was not working correctly. Replaced alternator in house for \$195.00 in parts.

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4. M-302, had inoperable block heater. Found that block heater extension wire had failed. Replaced extension wire in house, total cost for parts was \$155.00

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.
3. The fire hydrant committee: Nothing new to report.
4. The Insurance Services Office conducted a site survey on August 29, 2018. It was a productive survey and I will update the board when the results are returned.
5. We participated in a Make A Wish Foundation delivery on August 31, 2018. We used our grill and cooked food, provided tables and chairs, and assisted with leading the donation in to the residence. We were honored to be a part of this.
6. We have received 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.
7. We have received notice that Southwest Gas Corporation will be donating a truck to us. We did receive a 2013 Ford F 250. The donation was completed without needing a 501C pass through. We thank the Southwest Gas Corporation for the generous donation. If accepted tonight, we will be replacing our patrol vehicle with it.
8. Our annual ambulance gurney maintenance has been completed.
9. We are completing our annual SCBA fit testing.
10. We will be conducting fire prevention at Pearce, Ash Creek, and Cochise Elementary schools in October.
11. We did receive an air monitor and other hazardous materials equipment from the Tucson Fire Department. TFD hazmat equipment for Cochise, Pima, Santa Cruz, and Yuma counties. Now that we are a part of the Cochise County HazMat team, we are a part of the region. Our air monitors will be maintained through this region as well. We thank TFD Engineers Jason and Todd for their assistance.
12. Will be conducting an ambulance standby at the Amerind Foundation on October 27, 2018

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13. Grants:

The Assistance to Firefighters Grant; Our 2018 proposal was denied. The Cochise County Fire Association Regional grant; Our proposal was denied.

Arizona Governor's Highway Safety Grant; Our proposal was denied

The Gila River; Our proposal was denied

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

14. Ambulance: USDA funding; I spoke to Mr. Hooper who stated that he is moving forward with our proposal and we will know by the end of this month if the funds will come from this fiscal year or the new fiscal year.

15. Hazardous Properties: We will plan the remainder of the golf course hazard mitigation later in the fall.

16. 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 LEPC is in the process of making a proposal that would place the Cochise County HazMat team and the Regional Technical Rescue team as part of and be overseen by the LEPC. The next meeting is October 19, 2018.

17. 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.

18. Introduce the on-duty crew to the public.