



# SUNSTITES-PEARCE FIRE DISTRICT

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AND NEIGHBORING COCHISE COUNTY

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## Fire Chief's Report for December 2018

1. EMS Calls= 36
  - A. In District Calls=18
  - B. Out of District Calls=18
  - C. Number of Patients Transported=26
  - D. Number of Patients Flown Out=0
  - E. Number of Patient Refusals =8
  - F. Number of rollover or Motor Vehicle Accidents=2
  - G. Number of Mutual Aid Given Calls= 5, 2-HCI, 3-Douglas Fire.
  - H. Number of Mutual Aid Received Calls= 1 (EFD Van Ness Fire)
  - I. Number of Dead on Arrival Calls=0
  - J. Good Intent= 3

2. Fire Calls=21
  - A. In District Calls=12
  - B. Out of District Calls=9
  - C. Brush Fires = 1 (Turtle Dove)
  - D. Structure Fires= 1 (Van Ness)
  - E. Car Fires=0
  - F. Hazardous Materials= 1 (Douglas Border Patrol)
  - G. Good Intent=5
  - H. Service Calls= 13
  - I. Mutual Aid Given Calls=1 (Willcox Fire).
  - J. Mutual Aid Received Calls=1 (Benson Fire for Van Ness incident)
  - K. Prescribed burns= 0

Total Fire and EMS Calls year to date are 793. Total calls since the November 27, 2018 meeting is 56.

### 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, SCBA breath down drills, air management analysis drill, knots review, area orientation, NFPA 3000, Aztek kits, air quality monitor calibration.
2. Target Solutions topics: NFPA 3000, Standard for preparedness and response to active shooter/ Hostile events, NFPA 1021 Pre-Incident planning, NFPA 1021 Public Information Programs.

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3. We hosted Base Hospital continuing education on December 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>.
4. Captain Hershey, Captain Tingle, FF Austin, FF Hughes, and I attended a Rope Rescue Technician course offered by the Fry Fire District December 3<sup>rd</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup>. The class was no cost due to grant funding from the Office of Emergency Services. We all completed the course and are certified.

## **Wildland:**

1. We have had 1 additional Wildland assignments since the last meeting. The Turtle Dove Fire. We have a total of \$11,027.81 billed to the Arizona Department of Forestry and Fire Management.

## **Out of District Fires:**

1. We currently have a balance of \$66,263.97 outstanding for 27 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 \$ 37,053.60.

## **Emergency Medical Services:**

December total billings to date are \$32,082.61.

## **Hazardous Materials:**

1. We responded to an unknown hazardous material call for Border Patrol, near Douglas.

## **Maintenance:**

1. M-302 drivers seat frame was broken. The seat was repaired and reinforced. This unit is back in service. Total cost was \$40.
2. HazMat 30 had roof resealed around lights and air vents. The wiring harness on this unit will need to be replaced and should be completed soon.

## **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 am still seeking a contractor to repair the doors.
3. The fire hydrant committee: We are working with Clear Springs Utility in publishing our new ISO rating.
4. Cochise County Health Department: Has developed an "At risk/Susceptible Individual Shelter and Evacuation Transportation Assistance Registration. The

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MOU for immunization assistance has been signed. We are hoping to conduct a clinic in early 2019.

5. Windsong dump site: I have evaluated the site and will be speaking with the owner of the property to set a date to burn the site.
6. We delivered Santa to the VFW on December 1<sup>st</sup> for their Holiday celebration.
7. We participated in the Festival of Trees at the Community Center on December 8<sup>th</sup>. We took Santa and Mrs. Claus from the Community center in E-302.
8. I did attend a board meeting for the San Simon Fire District. I have been assisting them with compliance issues they are having. They would like to schedule a work session with us on January 26<sup>th</sup>.
9. We have started our annual hose testing and hope to have it completed by mid-January.
10. We held our annual awards party on December 15<sup>th</sup>. FF Damian Austin is the Fire Fighter of the Year, Capt. Levi Garner is the EMS provider of the year, FF Amy Vinik and FF Eric Friedenberg were recognized for Outstanding Performance.
11. We are working with the Northern Cochise Community Hospital on a radio use agreement. We are hoping to place one of our mobile radios in the emergency department so that communications will be improved, and critical information can be transferred more efficiently.
12. 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; Our proposal was denied.
  - 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; Our proposal was denied.
  - Firehouse Subs grant; We were denied this grant.
  - Tohono O'odham grant; Our proposal was denied.
  - Ak Chin grant; Our proposal was denied.
  - The 100 Club grant; Has been submitted. We have been awarded \$5,000 for structural personal protective equipment. We have received the PPE ordered form this grant, and the reimbursement and award documentation has been submitted.
  - The Walmart grant; Our proposal was partial funded. We received \$500 for structural gloves and protective hoods.

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Legacy Foundation Innovative Grant; We have been awarded partial funding of \$60,000.

Legacy Foundation Innovative Regional grant; Has been denied.

Vitalyst Foundation grant; Has been denied.

AFG Vehicle grant; Has been submitted.

AFG micro grant; Has been submitted.

Fire House Subs 1<sup>st</sup> quarter grant; Has been submitted.

VFA grant; Has been submitted. A total of \$17,274 was submitted. Our 50% would be \$8,637 if we are awarded.

13. Ambulance: USDA funding; I am still trying to contact Mr. Hooper.

14. Hazardous Properties: We will plan the remainder of the golf course hazard mitigation and the area around the hotel soon.

15. Local Emergency Planning Committee report, The LEPC's last meeting was December 21, 2018. Again, the LEPC is seeking Tier II reporting facilities within Cochise County to complete site visits and pre-plans. The next meeting is February 15, 2019.

16. Cochise County Fire Association report: The next Fire Association meeting is January 23, 2019 and will be hosted by the City of Douglas Fire Department.

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