



# SUNSTITES-PEARCE FIRE DISTRICT

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## Fire Chief's Report for December 2019

1. **EMS Calls= 28**
  - A. In District Calls= 19
  - B. Out of District Calls= 9
  - C. Number of Patients Transported= 20
  - D. Number of Patients Flown Out= 3
  - E. Number of Patient Refusals = 5
  - F. Number of rollover or Motor Vehicle Accidents= 2
  - G. Number of Mutual Aid Given Calls= 3 (HCI)
  - H. Number of Mutual Aid Received Calls= 0
  - I. Number of Dead on Arrival Calls= 1
  - J. Good Intent= 1
  
2. **Fire Calls= 26**
  - A. In District Calls= 17
  - B. Out of District Call= 9
  - C. Brush Fires = 1 (Texas Canyon)
  - D. Structure Fires= 1 (Evelyn)
  - E. Car Fires= 3
  - F. Hazardous Materials= 0
  - G. Good Intent= 4
  - H. Service Calls= 21
  - I. Mutual Aid Given Calls= 0
  - J. Mutual Aid Received Calls= 0
  - K. Prescribed burns= 1(No burn was able to be conducted)

Total Fire and EMS Calls year to date are 718. Total calls since the November 19, 2019 meeting is 54.

### 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, hose testing, T-304 driver training, tender to engine water supply drills, and basic rope rigging.
2. EMS training: Care and treatment of hypothermic patients. Airway lab provided by NCCH.
3. Target Solutions topics: End of year proficiency.

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4. Monthly company training: Hose testing and end of the year training review.
5. We hosted a training session with the American Red Cross for the Sound the Alarm program on December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2019
6. Two firefighters attended a rope rigging physics class on December 13-15 in Sierra Vista. The class is provided at no cost to our District thanks to grant funding procured through Cochise County OES.
7. FF Tingle attended an RX 301/341 Prescribed fire planning and preparation class December 2-6, 2019 in Tucson.

## **Wildland:**

1. We have had 1 additional Wildland assignments since the last meeting. We have a total of \$163.76 billed to the Arizona Department of Forestry and Fire Management.

## **Out of District Fires:**

1. We currently have a balance of \$64,131.91 for the outstanding 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 \$ 34,921.54

## **Emergency Medical Services:**

December total billings to date are \$20,423.67

## **Hazardous Materials:**

None

## **Maintenance:**

1. C-30 has emergency light issue. Lighting system has been rewired. All lights are working great.
2. Support 30 (Ford F550) has an intermittent engine problem. Vehicle was sent to Holmes Tuttle Ford in Tucson for further diagnosis. It was found that the main engine wiring harness, fuel injection harness, and fan clutch were bad. Those items were replaced at Holmes Tuttle for an estimated cost of \$2,857.64.

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3. NET 30 will be going to Tucson for wheelchair lift repairs soon and have new tires installed.

## **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. I have completed the drawing and will send it to the State Fire Marshalls office for approval once the fuel tank company provides the correct UL listing number.
2. The fire hydrant committee: Nothing new to report.
3. Cochise County Health Department: Follow up Hepatitis A shots are being conducted at the Cochise County Health Department. If we see a need from our community, we can schedule a clinic here at the station.
4. We have been working with Cochise County and Boeing regarding the possible Starliner space craft landing at the Playa in December. We will be at the site if the landing does in fact occur. The Board of Supervisors has created a countywide MOU and there is no further action needed by our Board.
5. We participated and hosted the Christmas parade on December 7, 2019. The permit ended up being under the Fire District due to insurance needs. We held the liability for the parade as Jones Wilson stated that it was allowed under our insurance at no additional cost.
6. Capt. Hershey and I will be developing the enhancements for our Employee Assistance Program. We want to ensure that our employees mental health is addressed appropriately.
7. I have decided to offer the surplus fire helmets to employees for \$50. The remainder of the helmets will be donated to other entities that may need them.
8. Windsong dump site: We will continue to work with the owners of the property. No new updates.
9. Healthy Communities: No new report.
10. 501C option: We are completing the required paperwork and are hoping to finalize the application by the end of December.

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## 11. Grants:

AFG Vehicle grant; Unsuccessful.

AFG micro grant; Unsuccessful.

Walmart grant; Unsuccessful

Arizona Governor's Office of Highway Safety grant; Unsuccessful.

Gila River grant; Unsuccessful.

Pascue Yaqui grant; Unsuccessful.

Riverview Farms grant; Awarded \$2,500.

Fort McDowell; Unsuccessful

Union Pacific grant; Unable to complete. Conflicting information was given and would not allow us to apply due to not being a 501C3.

Tohono O'odham grant; Unsuccessful.

AK Chin grant; Has been awarded for \$126,789.99.

Legacy Foundation Responsive grant; Submitted and approved for \$5,000

Arizona Community Foundation Responsive grant; Submitted and approved for \$2650.00.

Harbor Freight; Submitted, \$4000 for Building collapse and trench rescue equipment

Home Depot; Submitted, \$5,000 for Building collapse and trench rescue equipment. Unsuccessful

Polaris; Submitted, \$30,000 for UTV. Unsuccessful

Walmart 2; Submitted, \$5,000 for PPE. Awarded \$500. Will submit future grants to Walmart for remaining PPE requested.

12. Properties: We will plan the remainder of the golf course hazard mitigation and the area around the hotel as soon as we can verify the owners and get authorization.

13. Local Emergency Planning Committee report, The LEPC's last meeting was October 11, 2019. The meeting location was changed from the Cochise College in Sierra Vista to the Sierra Vista Police Department. This is a larger venue and can accommodate the growing participation. Again, the LEPC is seeking Tier II reporting facilities within Cochise County to complete site visits and pre-plans. The next meeting is December 19, 2019.

14. Cochise County Fire Association report: The next Fire Association meeting is January 22, 2020 and will be hosted by the Douglas Fire Department.

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

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