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Fire Chief's Report for February 2020

- 1. **EMS Calls= 30**
 - A. In District Calls= 15
 - **B.** Out of District Calls= 15
 - C. Number of Patients Transported= 25
 - **D.** Number of Patients Flown Out= 2
 - E. Number of Patient Refusals = 3
 - F. Number of rollover or Motor Vehicle Accidents= 1
 - G. Number of Mutual Aid Given Calls= 4 (3 HCI, 1 Elfrida Fire)
 - H. Number of Mutual Aid Received Calls= 0
 - I. Number of Dead on Arrival Calls= 1
 - J. Good Intent= 3
- 2. <u>Fire Calls= 18</u>
 - A. In District Calls= 15
 - **B.** Out of District Call= 3
 - C. Brush Fires = 1 (Red Rock)
 - **D.** Structure Fires= 0)
 - E. Car Fires= 0
 - F. Hazardous Materials= 0
 - G. Good Intent= 2
 - H. Service Calls= 15
 - I. Mutual Aid Given Calls=0
 - J. Mutual Aid Received Calls= 0
 - K. Prescribed burns= 3 (Sewer ponds, Pearce and Desert, 1207 Treasure)

Total Fire and EMS Calls year to date are 81. Total calls since the January 21, 2020 meeting is 48. Total number of calls for service in 2019 was 736.

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, Wildfire response, Structure triage, near miss review, vehicle rollover at Australia fire, area familiarization, Controlled burns, review of MCI and Red Rock fire.
- 2. EMS training: EMS report writing and Tachycardia standing order update.

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- 3. Target Solutions topics: Annual OSHA requirements.
- 4. Monthly company training: Wildland Refresher
- 5. Completed a CPR refresher for the Commonwealth Mine.
- 6. Captain Garner attended a Level 1 cave rescue class near Austin Texas, February 1st- 8th. The District will be reimbursed for class, lodging and travel expenses through a Cochise County OES grant.
- 7. Firefighters Metzler, A.Garner, and Labas are attending a Ropes 1,2,3 class in Sierra Vista, February 17th-22nd, 2020.
- 8. I attended a Critical Incident Stress Management class on February 11th-13th, 2020. It was a great class and free of charge thanks to grant funding procured by Cochise County Office of Emergency Management.
- 9. I will be presenting an Incident Command Systems overview class at NCCH on February 27, 2020 at 1300hrs.
- 10. We will be attending a Silo Safety presentation at Willcox High School on February 18, 2020 at 1830hrs. The presentation is being hosted by the Cochise County Farm and Livestock Bureau.
- 11. We will have personnel attending an S-212 Chainsaw refresher class on February 24th-25th in Elfrida.
- 12. We will have personnel attending a horizontal systems class March 6th-8th class in Sierra Vista.

Wildland:

1. We have had 1 additional Wildland assignments since the last meeting. The Red Rock was out of District. Working with AZDFFM we have found a solution to ensure that we receive resource orders for smoke checks. We have a total of \$ 0 open bills with the Arizona Department of Forestry and Fire Management.



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Out of District Services:

1. We currently have a balance of \$64,729.31 the outstanding services that have been provided outside of the district boundaries since 2012. Of the out of district services provided, nine incidents, with a total of \$29,210.37 are in collections. Total unpaid balance that is not in collections is \$35,518.94

Emergency Medical Services:

February total billings to date are \$ 28,699.03

Hazardous Materials:

- 1. We participated in the CCHMRT quarterly training in Bisbee on February 4, 2020. We covered decontamination.
- 2. The next CCHMRT quarterly training will be May 5, 2020 in Douglas. The topic will be Air monitoring/RAD ID.
- 3. We will be hosting a Hazmat Technician class on March 25-27, 30-31 and April 1-3.

Maintenance:

- 1. Engine 302 pump is leaking. Pump was inspected by WW Williams and the quote provided is \$4,152.73
- 2. Tender 303 is having a battery/charging issue. That issue is being diagnosed.
- 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.

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- 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. No new information.
- 5. Capt. Hershey and I will be developing the enhancements for our Employee Assistance Program. We are working with local leaders to ensure we develop a great program. The CISM class that I attended will assist us in completing this.
- 6. We hosted the Uof A and SEAHEC rural health mobile health screening event on January 31, 2020.
- 7. I have decided to offer the surplus fire helmets to employees for \$50. Only one helmet was bought. The remaining helmets will be donated to firefighters in Mexico.
- 8. Many items from surplus list 20-01 have been sold. Please see attachment for prices.
- 9. Valley Telecom has installed a new phone system in our stations.
- 10. We are in the process of completing annual employee evaluations.
- 11. I presented a Senior safety talk at the NCCH quarterly breakfast on January 24, 2020 in Willcox.
- 12. We are in discussions with Cochise County regarding Archive Social. This is the platform that will store all legally required data from social media sources. We are still hoping to initiate a District Facebook page. If an agreement is reached, the District will be under the Cochise County Archive Social. We hope to pay a small monthly fee that would be much less than having our own Archive Social agreement. Thank you to FF Friedenberg for this great idea.
- 13. Windsong dump site: We will continue to work with the owners of the property. No new updates.

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- 14. Healthy Communities: No new report.
- 15. 501C option: We are completing the required paperwork and are hoping to finalize the application soon.

16. 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. We will be receiving the new cardiac monitors very soon.

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.

2020 AFG; Being prepared.

100 club; Submitted.

Volunteer Fire Assistance; Submitted. Americorp; will be submitted soon.

17. 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.



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- 18. Local Emergency Planning Committee report, The LEPC's last meeting was December 19, 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 February 20, 2020.
- 19. Cochise County Fire Association report: The next Fire Association meeting is February 26, 2020 and will be hosted by the Northern Cochise Community Hospital.
- 20. Introduce the on-duty crew to the public.