



SUNSTITES-PEARCE FIRE DISTRICT

SERVING RESIDENTS OF THE SUNSTITES-PEARCE FIRE DISTRICT,
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Fire Chief's Report for May 16, 2023

Call Volume:

Calls since last meeting: 66

EMS: 41

Fire: 25

Total Fire and EMS Calls for 2023: 246

Training:

1. New hire orientation continues.
2. Two employees have finished the firefighter I&II academy at Cochise Community College.
3. I completed my Fire Officer II course with SVFMS.
4. Monthly EMS training completed, taught by AirEvac. Monthly fire training will be held here tomorrow.

Wildland:

1. DFFM Continues to regularly stage resources at the Richland Station.
2. The weather has been and will continue to be favorable for fires. We are getting more frequent calls for wildland incidents. We have had a few multi-day assignments during the last few weeks. Moving forward lightning will be a concern for us.

Out of District Services:

1. Exploring annexation options as requested by surrounding community members.

Emergency Medical Services:

1. Ambulance rate increase packet was re-submitted with changes as requested by AZDHS, awaiting response.

Hazardous Materials and Technical Rescue:

1. HazMat FRO class has been requested and scheduled for August. Class will be taught in Willcox to help engage regional partners.

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Maintenance

1. There are 10 pending apparatus work orders.
2. There are 4 equipment work orders.
3. The station roof and quarters HVAC have been replaced. Awaiting USDA payment.

Communications:

1. A huge thank you to Weber Drilling for assisting with the installation of new HVAC System.
2. Multiple grants for PPE, training, and equipment are underway.
3. Draft budget planning is underway and on the agenda for approval tonight.
4. Working through reauthorizing a response agreement between SPFD and the Chiricahua National Monument that expired in 2016.
5. The AFDA Conference is taking place in Glendale in July. Let Diane know if you would like to attend.

Staffing

1. 1 full-timer has resigned, we thank her for her service. Her position will be filled from our hiring list by Mark Tenniswood.
2. Part-time and volunteer staff have been very engaged.
3. Exploring options and funding sources for seasonal wildland staffing.

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