

# Sunsites-Pearce Fire District

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### Fire Chief's Report for August 15, 2023

#### **Call Volume:**

Calls since last meeting: 60

EMS: 30 Fire: 30

Total Fire and EMS Calls for 2023: 434

### **Training:**

- 1. New hire orientation continues.
- 2. 4 employees are signed up for the annual state fire school.

#### Wildland:

- 1. DFFM continues to stage resources at the Richland Station.
- 2. Local Fire season is slowing down. Anticipate out of state orders to start coming in soon.
- 3. Just for the month of July we billed more to DFFM than we collected last fiscal year.

#### **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. still awaiting response.
- 2. Working on updating our ambulance contract with AMR for nationwide disaster response.

#### **Hazardous Materials and Technical Rescue:**

1. Operations level rope rescue class coming up later this month.

#### Maintenance

- 1. The station roof and quarters HVAC have been replaced. Awaiting USDA payment.
- 2. The new C-30 has been purchased. Outfitting is underway.
- 3. Vehicle and equipment maintenance continues.

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#### **Communications:**

- 1. 100 club grant awarded for 2 new sets of turnout gear.
- 2. Multiple other grants underway for equipment and PPE.
- 3. Mutual aid agreement re-signed with the Chiricahua National Monument.
- 4. Fire danger sign research continues. USFS is unable to provide a sign, DFFM is checking into a free sign for us, County is confirming a sign location near Ironwood and 191.

## **Staffing**

- 1. All full-time positions have been filled.
- 2. Part-time and volunteer staff have been very engaged.
- 3. Exploring options and funding sources for seasonal wildland staffing.