

Serving residents of the Sunsites-Pearce Fire District, and neighboring Cochise County

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## Fire Chief's Report for October 2017

- 1. **EMS Calls= 43** 
  - A. In District Calls=32
  - B. Out of District Calls=11
  - C. Number of Patients Transported=19
  - D. Number of Patients Flown Out=1
  - **E.** Number of Patient Refusals =20
  - F. Number of rollover or Motor Vehicle Accidents=1
  - G. Number of Mutual Aid Given Calls= 2, 1-HCI, 1- EFD
  - H. Number of Mutual Aid Received Calls= 0
  - I. Number of Dead on Arrival Calls=0
  - J. Good Intent= 5
- 2. Fire Calls=30
  - A. In District Calls=18
  - B. Out of District Calls=12
  - C. Brush Fires = 4 (NUNS CA, Gleason, Land, Littlewing)
  - D. Structure Fires= 0
  - E. Car Fires=1
  - F. Hazardous Materials= 0
  - G. Good Intent=5
  - H. Service Calls= 17
  - I. Mutual Aid Given Calls=0
  - J. Mutual Aid Received Calls=0
  - **K.** Prescribed burns= 0

Total Fire and EMS Calls year to date are 660. Total calls since the September 26, 2017 meeting is 73.

### **Training:**

- 1. On duty crews have been completing weekly training sessions. These sessions included: Engine inventory and pumping operations, vehicle inventory and operations, area orientation, inspect extrication equipment and operation, Search and Rescue training with Cochise County Search and Rescue on 10/21/17". EMS training was standing order and protocol review.
- 2. Target Solutions topics: Fire and EMS grant writing, NFPA 1021 Incident scene communications, and NFPA 1021 Incident scene management.
- 3. We will be conducting company training on November 4, 2017.

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- 4. We will be hosting Base Hospital Continuing Education on November 14, 2017.
- 5. We will be hosting a Prehospital Trauma Life Support class on November 5-6, 2017. We thank Life Net for presenting this class.

### Wildland:

1. We have had 4 additional Wildland assignments since the last meeting. The Nuns CA, Gleason, Land, and Littlewing fires. We have a total of \$89,383.41 billed to the Arizona Department of Forestry and Fire Management. Since July 1, 2017, we have billed a total of \$214,312.67.

## **Out of District Fires:**

1. We currently have a balance of \$49,822.25 outstanding for 19 fires that occurred outside of the district boundaries since 2012. The Union Pacific Fire has been billed \$559.32. 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 \$20,611.88

### **Emergency Medical Services:**

October total billings to date are \$ 26,637.52

### **Hazardous Materials:**

I attended the full-scale hazmat exercise on October 18, 2017 as an evaluator. The exercise went great and was an excellent training opportunity. The Cochise County Emergency Manager Norm Sturm and the Cochise County Public Health Emergency Preparedness Coordinator Greg McQuaide did an excellent job in writing this exercise.

#### **Maintenance:**

- 1. M 302: Jim Click Fords has diagnosed that the powertrain control module (PCM) was faulty. We had just replaced the PCM in house. Jim Click technicians stated that both the original and replacement PCM's were faulty. We have sent the PCM back the company were the replacement was purchased and received a full refund for the faulty unit. We have ordered an PCM from Jim Click Ford
- 2. E 307 had two fuel injectors fail while on the Nuns fire in California. The two injectors were replaced in California for \$2,620.79. We contacted Warren Diesel, who sold us the injectors that were just replaced in March, and they will warranty all 8 injectors. Injectors have been sent back and the replacements have come in. We anticipate this unit being back in-service tomorrow.
- 3. E 301 has over heating issue. The radiator and thermostat were replaced in house. Total cost for parts was \$726.25.
- 4. We are scheduling our annual pump, hose, and ladder testing.

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### **Communication:**

- 1. Fire protection services mailing:
  - 351 letters were mailed out on 10/10/2017
  - 13 returned with a bad address
  - 5 new subscriptions have been signed to date for a total of \$950.00
  - We have received a lot of phone calls and interest.
- 2. Richland Station vandalism update: Mr. Craft from Craft Enterprises will be handling the replacement of the doors. I will be meeting with Mr. Craft soon.
- 3. The security cameras have been installed at the Richland and Sunsites stations and are working great. Moore Security did a great job.
- 4. The fire hydrant committee: Nothing new to report.
- 5. Fire Prevention was completed at the Pearce, Cochise, and Ash Creek Elementary schools.
- 6. The surplus items listed on Public Surplus.com were sold. Unfortunately, the extrication equipment, the Gold's Gym, and Scifit elliptical were not paid for and have been relisted for one more week. We sold the other items for \$247.25.
- 7. We did receive a donation of two pallets of Gatorade from Pepsico in Tolleson AZ. We thank them for the generosity
- 8. We hosted the Cochise County Fire and EMS meeting on September 27, 2017. We thank Life Net for partnering with us and providing a great lunch.
- 9. Grants: We received notification from FEMA that our AFG application was denied.
  - The Gila River Indian Community grant has been approved by the Gila River Community Council on October 18, 2017. We hope to have the \$11,000 deposited into our account within the next week.
  - The Legacy Foundation Innovative Grant: FF Amy Vinik completed and submitted the necessary application documentation. Notifications are expected later in November.
- 10. Ambulance: USDA funding; I spoke to Mr. Hooper who stated that our proposal could be funded by December 31, 2017.
- 11. I spoke with Mr. Hooper regarding the application for a loan through the USDA for a replacement cab and chassis for E 307. Once I have more information, I will bring this to the Board.
- 12. Hazardous Properties: We are in the process of scheduling the mitigation of the fire hazard at the Golf Course. We have also worked with Mr. Saylor from the County regarding other hazard properties in our area.



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- 13. Local Emergency Planning Committee report, The LEPC's last meeting was October 20, 2017. We reviewed the site visit for "The Pharm" north of Willcox. Again, the LEPC is seeking Tier II reporting facilities within Cochise County to complete site visits and pre-plans. The next is December 15, 2017.
- 14. Cochise County Fire Association report: The association is preparing the documentation necessary to apply for a regional AFG grant for mobile and portable radios. If this process moves forward, I will be bringing our proposal for the regional grant to the Board. The next Fire Association meeting is November 15, 2017 and will be hosted by the Portal Fire Department.
- 15. Introduce the on-duty crew to the public.