



SEDONA FIRE DISTRICT

March
Fire Chief Report

Presented to the Fire Board
on April 15, 2015

Significant Activities

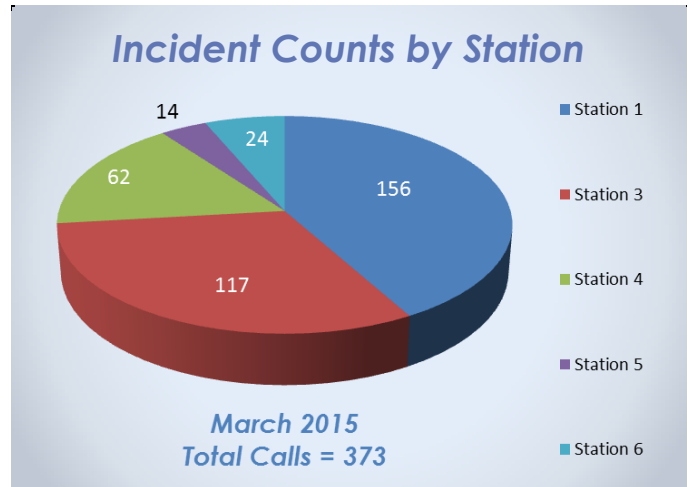
On Sunday, March 1, 2015, at approximately 9:00 pm, Sedona Fire District crews responded to a reported fire in the 100 block of Bell Rock Blvd. On arrival, crews found the upper left unit had suffered a small fire which had been extinguished by the occupants. The occupants were notified of the fire by a working smoke detector.

~Working smoke detectors save lives~

Community Risk Management

This March, SFD performed 101 Inspections, Plan Reviews, and Consultations, compared to 97 in March 2014 – an increase of 4%. And, there were 8 less inspection days due to training. Significant New Construction Projects include:

- The Sedona Rouge Hotel addition continues. The new road, Bennett Way, across the north side of the project connecting Rodeo Road to Goodrow Lane is now open.
- Plans were submitted for a new Starbucks Coffee at West State Route 89A and Kallof Place.



Call Summary (Year to Date 2015):

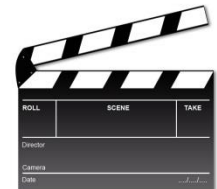
Incident Types by NFIRS	JAN	FEB	MAR	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	2015 YTD TOTALS	2014 YTD TOTALS
Rescue & Emergency Medical Incidents	256	242	265										763	683
Fire	6	0	1										7	18
Overpressure Rupture/Explosion Overheat (No Fire)	1	0	0										1	2
Hazardous Condition (No Fire)	8	3	5										16	5
Service Call	63	43	62										168	138
Good Intent Call	28	17	23										68	40
Special Incident Type	0	0	0										0	1
False Alarm & False Call	13	9	16										38	38
Severe Weather & Natural Disaster	0	0	1										1	0
TOTAL	375	314	373										1,062	925

Grants Update (March 2015):

AGENCY	DESCRIPTION OF REQUEST	AMOUNT *	SFD PORTION	STATUS
Arizona Community Foundation	Wildland Fire Public Safety Announcement Video Project	\$20,000	No Match	Granted; Funded; On-Going**
AZ Wildfire IMA	Scholarship in Arizona Wildfire Academy	\$1,300	No Match	Fulfilled
2015 State Fire Assistance	Wildland Urban Interface Fuels Reduction	\$176,250	\$121,250	Application Submitted
DHS-AFG	Blue Card Incident Command training	\$82,703	\$8,207	Received; Training Ongoing
Pending	Request for UTV grant/donation	\$20,000	No Match	Application Pending
Governors Highway & Traffic Safety	Equipment to better access patients in vehicles that require technical rescue skills and equipment	\$26,173	No Match Required	Fulfilled
DHS	5 HazMat gas monitors to replace outdated models-Regional grant application	Regional = \$30,000- \$35,000	No Match Required	Fulfilled
DHS-AFG	Regional request for video conferencing (Bullhead City –Requesting/Lead Agency)	Regional = \$1,275,000 SFD share = ~\$200,000	\$20,000	Application Re-Submitted

* The amounts listed above are estimated based on projected amounts requested; however, the actual amounts may vary based on the final projects and any restrictions or necessary changes to awarded grants.

**Progress continues on the filming and production work for our Wildfire Prevention & Preparedness video project funded by the Arizona Community Foundation grant. We do not have a completion date at this time but the project is moving forward in a successful manner, and we look forward to showcasing this to the BoA and the community upon completion.



Regional Communications Center Activity Summary March 2015 compared to March 2014

Phone Call Types	March 2015	March 2014
Wired 9-1-1	639	654
Wireless 9-1-1	1,803	1,435
Admin.	4,710	4,244
Intercom	74	71
Ringdown	503	409
TOTAL CALLS	7,729	8,045
% Change of Total Calls – March 2014 to March 2015		-3.9%
Total Incidents Dispatched	2,990	3,695

Donations – March 2015:

➤ NPS Payment in Kind \$4.84

Training Information – March 2015:

The Training Office gathers information on post-secondary education, certificates of completion, and major conferences. SFD provides daily drills and other training; more significant events are included here.

Required Training:

- Division Chief Buzz Lechowski and Battalion Chief Dave Cochrane continued training operational members in the hands-on part of Blue Card Command Training which prepares an Incident Commander to safely and effectively operate at incidents. This Training program is funded in majority by an AFG Fire Act Grant.
- Kaplan Fire and EMS Training were implemented eight months ago; this success is shared and attributed to the strong leadership of the following individuals: Battalion Chief Ed Mezulis, Captain Brian Ford, Engineer Brian Espiau, Computer Tech Jeremy Harris, and Training Officer Michael Duran. The program is a combination of computer-based lecture, hands-on skills testing, and additional EMS training. All training will be tracked in FireHouse and coded to reflect the recertification requirements as set forth by NREMT. The intention of this program is to provide high quality EMS in education, maintaining recertification standards as set forth by AZDHA and NREMT, and consistent reduction of costs while streamlining the recertification process for our medical providers.

Conferences:

- Six SFD members attended the Arizona Wildland and Incident Management Academy. We received a grant scholarship for 20 days at the Arizona Wildfire Academy which is a value of \$1,300. Additionally, members of SFD instructed at the Arizona Wildland and Incident Management Academy. In attendance were FF Paul Chabot S-236, FF Greg Eberlein FLMP, FF Jeremy Lilly FLMP, FF Kyle West FLMP, Training Officer Michael Duran S-445, Fire Inspector Kevin Sullivan S-290, and Fire Marshal Gary Jonson S-290.
- Several members of our leadership attended the 2015 Desert Southwest Fire & EMS Leadership Conference hosted by the Arizona Fire Chiefs Association to advance their knowledge in serving our community.



Associate's/Bachelor's Degrees:

Currently, several members are working toward Associate and Bachelor Degrees.

Certificates:

- Battalion Chief Jayson Coil has successfully completed "Incident Command System Curricula, Train-the-Trainer L-449". His participation raised the bar once again.
- Wildland classes SFD members attended were funded by the Coconino National Forest. In attendance were FF Jon King S-290, Fire Inspector Kevin Sullivan S-215, Fire Marshal Gary Johnson S-215, Training Officer Michael Duran S-330, Captain Jeff Wassell S-330 and L-280, and Captain Pat Ojeda L-280.
- The Verde Valley Fire Departments and Verde Ranger District have effectively developed a Wildland Drill for the Verde Valley area. This is a multi-agency drill which increases confidence in radio and interagency operations for the upcoming Wildland season. This training is supported and funded by the Yavapai Emergency Management Office and Coconino National Forest.
- DPS and SFD performed recertification training for Short Haul skills at the Station 3 tower for rappelling device training.

Training / Education Statistics:

- Number of Trainings and Classes: **208**
- Number of Attendees: **574**
- Total Training Hours: **1,366**