



SEDONA FIRE DISTRICT

March 2016
Fire Chief Report

Presented to the Fire Board
on April 20, 2016

Call Summary and Response Times (Year to Date 2016):

Incident Types by NFIRS	JAN	FEB	MAR	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	2016 YTD TOTALS	2015 YTD TOTALS
Rescue & EMS*	251	257	286										794	754
<i>*Includes Interfacility Transports (Emergency & Non-Emergency)</i>	64	70	72										206	228
Fire	2	6	2										10	7
Overpressure Rupture/Explosion Overheat (No Fire)	0	0	0										0	1
Hazardous Condition (No Fire)	2	3	3										8	16
Service Call	56	41	67										164	168
Good Intent Call	14	6	19										39	65
Special Incident	0	0	0										0	0
False Alarm/False Call	16	8	13										37	35
Severe Weather & Natural Disaster	0	0	0										0	1
Sub-Total	341	321	390										1,052	1,047
Mutual/Auto Aid	4	7	11										22	15
TOTAL	345	328	401										1,074	1,062
<i>Average Emergency Response Time & # of Incidents</i>	<i>7:21 120</i>	<i>6:25 106</i>	<i>6:34 136</i>										<i>6:47 362</i>	<i>6:06 361</i>

Rescue Incidents: In March 2016, SFD responded to 6 backcountry rescues including hike-outs and technical rescues compared to 0 such incidents for the same time period in 2015.

Significant Incidents

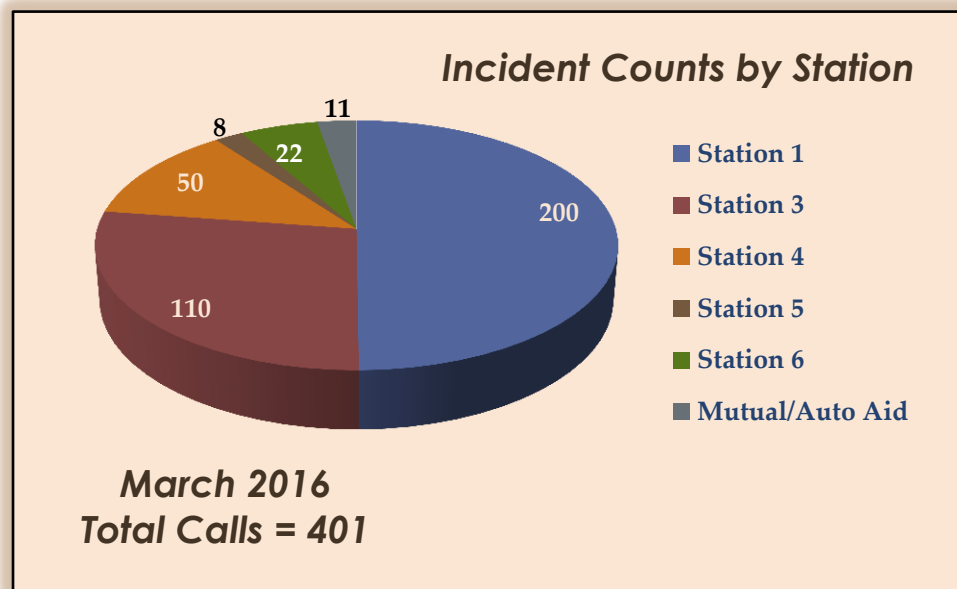
Wednesday, March 16, 2016, at 5:01 PM: Crews responded to a reported kitchen fire in the 700 block of W. SR89A. On arrival, emergency crews found the kitchen fire system in restaurant had activated. During investigation it was determined two days prior, an excessive amount of wood was placed in a wood-burning appliance. The chef reported he was unable to stand in front of the appliance because of the heat being generated. Fire Marshal Gary Johnson's opinion is the fusible link located in the kitchen hood plenum above the appliance was weakened from the earlier event and activated the system two days later. Damage was limited to cleanup and repair of the wood-burning appliance.

Monday, March 28, 2016, at 1:16 PM: Crews responded to a vehicle fire in the 200 block of N. SR89A. Upon arrival, crews found the vehicle was a local trolley and determined fire was out, occupants had safely exited the trolley, and it was off the roadway. The fire was determined to result from a transmission failure resulting in transmission fluid igniting.

Grants Update (March 2016):

AGENCY	DESCRIPTION OF REQUEST	AMOUNT *	SFD PORTION	STATUS
AZ Wildland Fire Academy	20 days of training for SFD personnel at the 2016 AZ Wildland Fire Academy	\$1,300	No Match	Fulfilled/FFs to attend in May
AZ State Fire School	Scholarship to Arizona State Fire School	\$1,500	No Match	Awarded
Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG)	Regional Radio/Communication Equipment	\$575,000	\$52,272 (10% shared by agencies)	Application Pending
DHS/AFG	Thermal Imaging Cameras	\$30,000	\$2,727 (10%)	Application Pending
Arizona Community Foundation	9/11 Memorial Construction	\$10,000	No Match	Denied – Does not fund Capital projects
FY 2016 – GOHS	Electric/Battery-Powered Extrication Tools	\$33,275	No Match	Application Pending
Fire Mgt. Assistance	Initial Wildland Response Costs for Slide Fire (SFD did not apply for this grant)	\$28,484	\$7,121	Awarded \$21,363 by AZ Forestry

* 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.



Donations to SFD – March 2016

9/11 Memorial Donations Received in March:	\$2,263
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Community Risk Management

This March, SFD performed 156 Inspections, Plan Reviews, and Consultations compared to 107 in March 2015 – an increase of 46%. YTD 2016 is 376 compared to 296 in 2015 – an increase of 27% over 2015. *Note:* The CRM Fire Inspector position is currently vacant; Firefighter Rick Evans is assigned to assist with fire inspections.

Significant New Construction Projects:

- The project known as Tlaquepaque North, 313 SR179, is nearing completion. It includes a restaurant, kitchenware shop, and 2 art and jewelry stores.
- The LaMerra Subdivision, off Loy Road in Sedona, has submitted a modification to the existing plot plan to add 8 new single family lots to the existing subdivision for a total of 46 single family lots.

Training Information – March 2016

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:

- Captain Mark Rippey and other lead instructors from SFD performed “Save Our Own” Training with Yavapai College Firefighter 1 and 2 students at SFD Station 3.
- Firefighter/ Helicopter Rescue Team (HRT) Facilitator Brent Johnson developed a recertification program for all HRT members. Department of Public Safety requires all HRT members to perform quarterly recertification training. Additionally, Firefighter Johnson has made SFD Station 3 Training Tower part of the regional training program. HRT Members are Firefighters Brent Johnson, Shawn Foster, Kyle West, Cooper Carr, Greg Eberlein, Jessica Waltenburg, and SFD Program Coordinator Battalion Chief Jayson Coil.
- Eight SFD members attended Arizona Wildland and Incident Management Academy. SFD received a scholarship for 20 days at Arizona Wildfire Academy valued at \$1,300. Additionally, SFD members instructed at the Arizona Wildland and Incident Management Academy.
- SFD Technical Rescue Team developed and instructed a class for new hires which includes a Rope and Swiftwater class for SFD personnel.
- SFD Members attended 1403 Live Fire Training; enrollment was funded by Yavapai College.
- SFD Technical Swiftwater Rescue Team instructed a Swiftwater class for SFD personnel. This is part of our Train the Trainer program, which includes on duty training and hands-on field training. This program was designed to bring quality training, as well as ensuring fiscal responsibility.

Associates/Bachelor’s Degrees:

- Several SFD Members continue working towards degrees.

Certificates:

- Battalion Chief Jayson Coil attended Fire Management Leadership class in New Mexico.
- Geographic Information Systems Technician Tammy Schuerman attended an Access class and will be creating a database for SFD. Additionally, she had in-depth training in Pictometry (an aerial image capture process showing the fronts and sides of buildings and locations on the ground) which will be a great resource in Yavapai County to assist us with importing local data to assist in GIS duties.

Training / Education Statistics:

- Number of Trainings and Classes: 143
- Number of Attendees: 531
- Total Training Hours: 1,211