

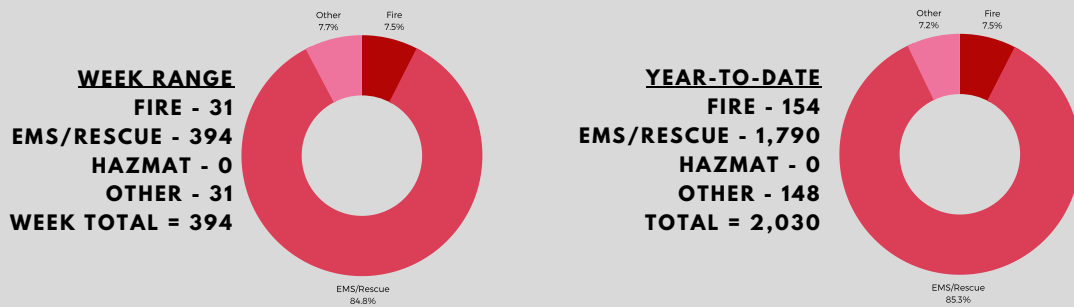
# CHIEF'S REPORT

## SNOHOMISH REGIONAL FIRE & RESCUE

DATE RANGE: 2/22/21 - 3/7/21



### **CALL VOLUME:** SNOHOMISH REGIONAL FIRE & RESCUE RESPONDED TO 394 CALLS FROM FEBRUARY 22, 2021 - MARCH 7, 2021.



\*These are responses only within Snohomish Regional Fire & Rescue boundaries.

### **Calls for Service**

**CUSTOMER SERVICE - February 22:** While Medic 81 was at a store a child came up to talk with them. After discussion with the child, it was found that he had run away from home. Medic 81 contacted the parents and they were reunited.

**MOTOR VEHICLE COLLISION - February 26:** At 11:21 pm firefighters were dispatched to a high speed rollover motor vehicle collision at the intersection of Lundeen Parkway and 8th Place NE. Firefighters arrived and found the vehicle on its passenger side at the edge of a retention pond with the patient out of the vehicle. Medic 81 transported the patient in serious condition to Providence in Everett.

**MOTOR VEHICLE COLLISION - February 28:** At 8:47 am Snohomish Regional Fire and Rescue responded to a motor vehicle collision at the intersection of SR 2 and Roosevelt Road SE. Firefighters blocked traffic to secure the scene for safety. One patient was transported to a local hospital with minor injuries.

**GAS LEAK - March 4:** At 5:47 pm Snohomish Regional Fire and Rescue responded to a report of a gas leak inside a structure. The reporting party called 911 after smelling a gas odor. Firefighters used the four gas monitor throughout the whole residence and found no readings on the monitor.

**MOTOR VEHICLE COLLISION - March 7:** Firefighters were dispatched at 7:39 am to a high speed motor vehicle collision at the intersection Bothell Everett Highway and 164th Street SE. Engine 76 arrived and found a vehicle that hit head on with a light pole. The crew was able to remove the patient from the vehicle without using extrication tools. The patient was transported to a local hospital with serious injuries.

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### **COVID-19**

- In addition to the continued monitoring, protective measures and education, the current emphasis is to support vaccinations for our employees.
- Staff continue to work collaboratively with all 23 fire agencies as part of the Snohomish County Vaccine Taskforce. Snohomish Regional Fire & Rescue has contributed over 1,000 hours of manpower since the Vaccine Fire Task Force has been initiated. Snohomish Regional has supplied the use of a Medic unit in Monroe and the use of the Gator.

### **Snohomish County Broadband Action Team (BAT)**

- On March 4, Chief O'Brien attended the first Snohomish County Broadband Action Team meeting. The BAT was created by Councilmembers Sam Low, Nate Nehring and Executive Dave Somers and is comprised of various community leaders. The goal of the BAT is to improve internet speeds in Snohomish County that fully support remote education, healthcare, business, employment, and emergency response.
- A key strategy for the BAT is to discover areas of need. The State has a survey that collects data and analysis about internet speed by asking the public to take a data speed survey. The responses to the survey will help identify the gaps in service throughout the community so that we may focus our efforts on areas of greatest need. The survey can be accessed at **Washington State Annual Broadband Speed Test - Washington State Department of Commerce**, or by using this QR code.
- Please share this link with your friends and family and encourage them to participate. The goal is for every member of the community and every business to participate in this internet data speed collection effort. We will use this data to make well informed decisions on how to best support the community.



### **Strategic Analysis**

- The Strategic Plan Steering Committee met on February 18 to review goals. Sub-committees were established to produce goals in specific areas across the organization. The group will reconvene to review subcommittee work.

### **Health & Safety**

- The Force Protection group met on 2/23 and based on the continued downward trend in COVID-19 cases in the community and continuing decrease in number of positive COVID-19 patients transported by EMS in Snohomish County there were protocol changes to the playbook.
- Providers who have received their second vaccine dose AND are 14 days past that second dose will not have to quarantine if exposed to a COVID-19 patient.

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### **Administration**

- The Department of Retirement Services is currently conducting a census data audit and a compliance review audit. Census data testing and compliance reviews may identify issues with eligibility determinations, reporting retirees who have returned to work, reportable compensation, and other data reported to DRS. Employers may be asked to make corrections to specific members accounts to ensure they receive the benefits which they have earned. There may also be other recommendations from compliance reviews regarding how eligibility is determined and how to report hours and compensation going forward. The Department of Retirement Services performs compliance reviews and census data testing for employers each year. Employers are not selected every year for this audit, but the goal of the DRS is to review employers every five years.

### **Fire & Life Safety**

- New cellular iPads are being deployed in the division. The new cellular functionality will enable additional features of current offline software to be used and enable use of programs that must be connected to the internet. This will enhance our capabilities with completing pre-incident plans and fire inspections.
- GIS data for fire hydrants and building footprints have been sent to APX for upload into SmartMap. Staff are working with the local water purveyors to obtain water main size, flow rates, and shut-off locations.
- Staff continue to update Streamline inspections for new fire code and use with new construction inspections.

### **Standards Committee**

- First round policy and procedure reviews will be sent to staff for update and review. This will include all Tier I and II policies and procedures. Policies are divided into tiers based on their level of responsibility. Once revisions are completed by individual authors the standards committee will review and forward to approval to the Fire Chief or Commissioners.

### **Accreditation**

- Staff has received the FESSAM development timeline and review table. This will show when each category is due to be completed and track its review process.
- First draft of the Standards of Cover data has been reviewed and corrections have been sent to Fitch & Associates for update.

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### **Training**

- Final preparations are being made for the Lieutenant's Test. HR and Training are coordinating communications to all the candidates regarding their assessment center times, and to the evaluators. The dates of the assessment center are March 16th, 17th, and 18th and it will be held at Station 71.
- We have completed the first Training Division Evaluation on the 5 probationary firefighters that are currently on shift. All 5 performed to standard during their evaluations.
- Training for the new Motorola APX radios is currently being completed by all members with the anticipation of the new radios being placed in service mid-March.
- Staff are in the process of planning the Part-Time firefighters on-boarding academy. The 10 new Part-Time firefighters came in for uniform fittings to be ready for their first day on April 1st. The academy will be held on Wednesday nights and weekends during the month of April.
- Staff are working on updates to the Probationary FF manual for the recruits that are currently in the fire academy.
- The fire academy started on Monday, February 22nd. Our 4 recruits are participating in the academy with 5 members from SCFD #4, and 9 from Everett Fire Department. Lieutenant Sam Langheld is the Training Officer assigned to oversee the academy, and Bobby Lowe is assigned to the academy as a Company Officer. The Academy is going well.

### **Operations**

- Operations Division is continuing to conduct Annual Performance Reviews with their members. This will be completed by the 1st of March.
- Chief O'Brien and the Deputy Chief of Operations conducted 31 A Shift's "deck of cards" inspection. The crew performed very well during this evaluation. Deputy Chief of Operations conducted the inspection for Station 32A. The crew performed impressively. Thank you to Lieutenant Griener for his leadership on this inspection/evaluation.
- Staff conducted the 1st in-person Operations Meetings with Battalion Chiefs. Thank you to all of the Battalion's for the individual work that they are doing on each respective shift. A presentation was given by BC Dimonda and BC Fisher to the group on a written draft proposal for creating a Snohomish Regional Fire and Rescue Standard Operating Fire Ground Procedure.

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### Operations cont.

- B and D Shifts completed their "live fire" training in Gold Bar last week. The training was offered over the course of four days and went extremely well. Thank you to all of our live fire instructors and the Training Division and Sky Valley Fire for the first class opportunity for our members. A and C Shifts will complete this training in the 4th quarter of 2021.
- Staff is involved in a committee to evaluate the current and outdated Snohomish County Resource Plan. A survey has been drafted from the committee that will be sent out to each respective fire department in the county in the next several days. Once information is gathered from the survey, the committee will work to establish a new updated draft that will help manage county resources during a significant incident.
- Staff continues to work with regional partners in early conversations about standardizing deployment responses to both Fire and EMS risks. Snohomish Regional Fire and Rescue, Everett Fire, South County Fire, Marysville Fire and Snohomish Fire Department will meet to begin a process of providing more consistency in deployment methodologies to strengthen our "seamless borders" vision.

### Community Engagement

- Staff continue to work to educate the community through online lesson forums and social media platforms.
  - Public Education Year-to-date:
    - 2nd grade classes visited: **24**
    - High School classes visited: **7**
    - Online Home School Education Lessons: **3**

### SOCIAL MEDIA SNAPSHOT

LAST 30 DAYS

**55**

Posts/Press Releases

**183**

New Followers

**57,944**

Engagement