

Thursday, September 28, 2023

Mission Save Lives, Protect Property, Safeguard the Environment, and Take Care of People

Vision We will be a proactive regional emergency services leader by partnering to provide safe communities for people to live, work and explore.

> Guiding Values Respect, Accountability, Integrity, Teamwork, Service

OPERATIONS

<u>Significant Alarms</u>

Commercial Fire Response

On September 13th, SRFR North Battalion units, along with mutual aid, responded to a fire in a multi-family dwelling. E81 and B81 arrived to find a multi-family building with heavy fire from three windows on side Alpha, along with heavy smoke from two other windows. They found an elderly female on the ground, an adult male had jumped from a second floor window and another occupant was hanging out of a window on side Charlie.

B81 established command while E81 stretched an attack line for fire control and brought a ground ladder to side Charlie to perform rescue. E83 arrived and stretched an attack line for fire control and primary search, and they found a victim on the first floor who was unharmed. Additional units arrived to assist with fire control, search, ventilation, and patient care. Three patients were transported, and another was evaluated and released on scene. This building was an 8-Plex and there was significant damage to all 8 units. Great job to all the responders!

Emergency Medical Services

Chaplain Program

We would like to welcome Lisa Lessard to the Chaplain team! We have a tentative training date in October to prepare our new members. We are excited to see our team grow!

Multiple Casualty Incident (MCI) Drill

SRFR will be participating with Snohomish County Fire District 4 and physicians in an MCI Drill this October.



Training & Safety Training Facility

Snohomish Regional Fire & Rescue and Snohomish County Fire District 4 are in the process of developing an ILA for joint utilization of the Ray Lee Brown Training Facility in Snohomish. The Training Division is meeting with Snohomish County Fire District 4's training division to work on how to best utilize scheduling at the RLB Training Facility in Snohomish. Both departments are excited about the opportunity to train together and to be able to utilize the training facility for many more training events.

Promotional Testing

The Training Division and Human Resources are conducting the Lieutenant Promotional Test this week for 15 candidates. We wish all the candidates good luck! We are very appreciative to have several surrounding departments helping us with the evaluation process.

On-Scene Decontamination

We will be receiving our new StormStick Decontamination System that will be placed on all front-line engines this week. Health & Safety will be working with Mukilteo Fire and South County Fire to produce a video on how to use the product for gross decontamination on emergency scenes. The Training Division will be using the StormStick Decontamination System during Live Fire Training next month for gross decontamination following crew training scenarios.

SUPPORT SERVICES

Community Relations

With the help of Deputy Chief Rassmussen, Deputy Fire Marshal Bowen, Battalion Chief 31, and crews from Stations 31 and 32, the PIEOs hosted a booth at the September 13th Monroe Farmers Market. Residents who stopped by our booth learned about our fire district, our upcoming levy lid lift, our open houses, and about fire safety.

On September 15th, Station 32's D-Shift crew, cooked and prepared an amazing spaghetti dinner for the Monroe Senior Center. PIEO Mongillo, PIEO King, Assistant Chief Messer, Deputy Chief Titland, and Deputy Fire Marshal Bowen helped serve, wash dishes, and welcome guests.

On September 18th, PIEO King taught an Emergency Preparedness Class to teachers working at the Premier Northwest Forest School. Class attendees learned about resources they could use to alert them of disasters and what they can do in case of various emergencies.



On September 26th and 27th, PIEO King and PIEO Mongillo visited Cavelero Mid-High to teach 13 classes of Hands Only CPR. Students learned about how to do compressions, how to use an AED, and the difference between cardiac arrest and a heart attack.

Adult & Senior Safety Classes YTD: 13

Upcoming Community Events:

- September 28th Woodside Elementary Back to School Event
- October 4th Monroe SD Walk and Roll to School Event
- October 9th Small Open Houses at Station 71 and Station 81
- October 14th Open House at Station 31

Public Information:

Social Media Snapshot: September 6 - 20

- 20 Posts
- 96 New Followers/Accounts
- 200,419 Impressions/Engagement/Clicks

External Media:

• 9/13 KIRO "People jump from second-story window to escape Lake Stevens apartment fire"

https://www.kiro7.com/news/local/people-jump-second-story-window-escape-lakestevens-apartment-fire/2LZ4XKHNWBBXHJF53TR7VK7R5I/

• 9/20 KING "Several' cats die in early morning Bothell house fire" <u>https://www.king5.com/article/news/local/cats-die-bothell-house-fire/281-24dea73c-1b5b-44dc-ab81-a8f0469385e6</u>

Internal Media:

- Monroe School District Resource Fair
- Remembering 9/11
- Open House Promos
- Job Postings
- Lake Stevens Structure Fire
- Chief Presentations Available
- Burn Ban Lifted
- Oleg Paramedic School
- Disaster Preparedness
- SRFR Monroe Community Center Spaghetti Dinner
- Recruits' First Day
- Levy Information
- IAFF Fallen Firefighter Memorial



ADMINISTRATION

Administration

On Thursday, September 21st, a First Aid and CPR class was delivered to our Admin Support group, IT Division, and members of Community Relations and Logistics! We really appreciated the training so that all fire district staff can help keep our communities safe.

Human Resources

SRFR is in an active recruiting process for Entry Level Firefighter and Paramedic as well as Lateral Firefighter and Paramedic. Eligibility lists will be created from both groups and staff will determine hiring plans based on the needs of the District and the qualified candidates. Thank you to HR, Training, and everyone involved in the process!

November Fire Levy Lid Lift Election

SRFR members have been working with the public to inform them about Proposition One. Voters will be considering approval of a Fire Levy lid lift of \$0.36 per \$1,000 during the November 7, 2023, general election. The lid lift would return the rate to \$1.50.

The \$0.36 lid lift supports the following:

- Fill open positions for emergency personnel to improve service reliability across the District.
- Rebuild Station 81 in Lake Stevens and relocate Station 32 in Monroe to allow for quicker response times in the area.
- Replace lost funding due to changes in how the federal government reimburses fire Districts for Medicaid patients.

Below is a current list of the Lid Lift public education presentations. Please let us know if you are aware of any groups that wish to hear from us. Thanks to all for your great work in this process!

Wednesday, August 9 3pm – 7pm LS Farmers Market
Wednesday, August 16 3pm – 7pm Monroe Farmers Market / Canceled due to heat
Wednesday, August 23 3pm – 7pm LS Farmers Market
Wednesday, September 13 11:30-1pm LS Chamber of Commerce
Wednesday, September 13 3pm – 7pm Monroe Farmers Market
Thursday, September 14 6pm Monroe VFW 7511
Tuesday, September 19 6:15pm – 7:15pm LS The Pointe at Crosswater via Zoom
Wednesday, September 27 12:30-1:30pm Monroe Rotary
Wednesday, October 3 6:30-8pm LS Lions
Wednesday, October 5 6pm Monroe Kiwanis



Friday, October 6 7:30-8:30am LS Rotary Tuesday, October 10 11:30-1pm Monroe Chamber of Commerce Wednesday, October 18 11:30-12:30pm Lake Stevens Senior Center Wednesday, October 18 6pm In-Person Q&A Session at S31 Monday, October 23 6pm Online Q&A Session Thursday, October 26 7pm Lake Stevens Kiwanis

With appreciation,

Kevin O'Brien, Fire Chief

