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Monthly Report

To: Honorable Mayor, Council Members, City Administrator
From: Christopher W. Cross, Fire Chief
Date: January 21, 2008
Re: December Fire Department Report

Statistics

Attached are the statistics for the December Fire Department Report.

Special Events

Standard Operating Guidelines- The guideline manual has been revised, reprinted and distributed to the department members. The following Standard Operating Guidelines (SOGs) cannot, nor are they expected to provide, a solution to every question or situation that may arise. They are to be used as a general guide in responding to emergency situations. The officer-in-charge at the scene of the emergency is expected to use his/her best professional judgment in bringing the emergency to a successful conclusion. It is expected however that the procedures will sufficiently cover, either in a specific or general way, the duties of the responding personnel and equipment.

EMS Protocols and Procedures- The department EMS Protocol and Procedure Manual has been revised by the EMS Division Commander in order for our Medics to have the most up to date information available. A copy of the manual has been distributed to all personnel.

As part of the Department's regular weekly training the department completed training in the following topics:

- Personal Protective Equipment Practices
- Self Contained Breathing Apparatus confidence skills
- Standard Operating Guidelines introduction
- Vehicle extrication and stabilization
- Emergency Medical Services practical skills review

Significant Emergencies

Residential Fire- Johnston- January 14 - WHFD responded to a mutual aid request for Johnston Fire Department for a residential fire assignment. WHFD crews served as the Rapid Intervention Team.

Commercial Fire – Windsor Heights- January 16- WHFD responded to 6500 Hickman Road for report of a commercial fire assignment. Full 1st alarm assignment requested. Dispatch advises while responding, a mattress was on fire, and was dragged to the parking lot by the occupant of the room.

Vehicle Fire- Windsor Heights- January 20- Fire crews responded to a vehicle fire. The owner of the vehicle used a charcoal grill to heat his fuel tank in order to thaw a frozen fuel pump. There were no injuries.

Search for Lost Person- Windsor Heights- January 24- WHFD personnel assisted WHPD with searching for a lost elderly person who wandered away from her home. She was later found safe and returned to her home by her family.

Commercial Fire- Johnston- January 27- WHFD responded to a mutual aid request for the Johnston Fire Department at the Johnston Middle School. An arsonist had broken into the principal's office and set a fire. Damage was limited to the office. The school was unoccupied at the time of the fire. There were no injuries.

Residential Fire- Urbandale- January 31- WHFD responded to a mutual aid request for the Urbandale Fire Department. WHFD crews served as the Rapid Intervention Team (RIT), a team designated to rescuing firefighters at the emergency scene. The RIT was activated to search for a missing team of firefighters. The team was located and they were uninjured.

Fire Marshall's Report

- Commercial inspection of Hickman Motor Lodge
- Preplan activities (initial mark-up):
 - Hickman Motor Lodge

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