

2022 ANNUAL REPORT

STAYTON FIRE DISTRICT



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Chief's Report

In the last year the district experienced many changes. In July we hired the first 3 Shift Lieutenants followed by 6 Shift Firefighters who started in September. In November, Chief Jack Carriger retired after 20 years with the District. With Chief Carriger's retirement, I was promoted to the Fire Chief position and Doug Kintz was promoted to Assistant Chief. In August, long-time volunteer, Doug Hansen, Division Chief from the Mehama station, retired after 38 years of service.

During 2022, we responded to 1260 calls for service, averaging 3.45 calls per day. Our volunteers and shift crews provided that response to fires, medicals, car accidents and rescues. The increase in calls has placed a greater demand on our volunteers which contributed to us asking the community to support the levy that is providing us the additional paid personnel to assist with reducing our response times.

Our volunteers are the backbone of our organization and will continue to be into the future. The addition of the three-person full time shift crews provides additional personnel to aid our citizens. We are now better able to provide a quicker initial response followed up with volunteer personnel.

During the wildfire season, we participated in confagurations by sending personnel and equipment to Oregon Fires, Rum Creek and Cedar Creek, and an engine and crew to California to assist them there. Staff members continue to work diligently to receive funding through grants for equipment, per-



sonnel, wildfire prevention and education. In 2022, we received a grant from the OSFM for seasonal response during wildfire season. Our current Recruit and Retention Coordinator position is funded by a FEMA grant and helps us focus on new volunteer recruitment and retention of current volunteers.

Our communities of Mehama and Elkhorn that were greatly affected by the Beachie Creek Fire, are building back and bringing life back into those devastated areas of our district and the Santiam Canyon.

As the new Fire Chief, I would like to take the opportunity to thank my family, the District Board of Directors, members of the district and communities for the support and confidence they've shown in me.

Again, a special 'Thank You' to Chief Carriger for 20 years of service and leaving the fire district in a better place.

And a special 'Thank You' to Captain Doug Hansen



for over 38 years of dedicated volunteer service to the community of Mehama and the entire Stayton Fire District.

As we look to the future, we will continue to provide the citizens of the district with outstanding service

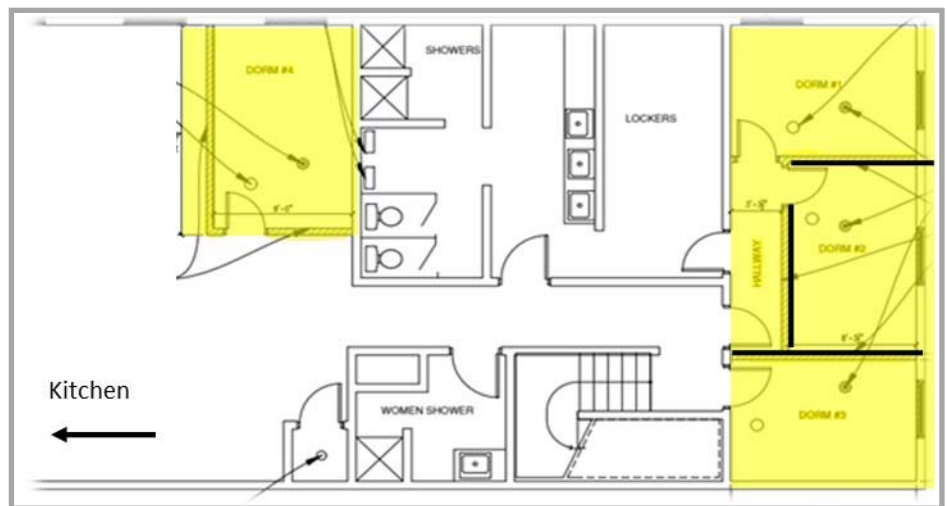
and strengthen our relationships with our emergency response partners. Together our volunteers and career staff will continue our vision of meeting the expanding needs of our communities.

~ Fire Chief Jay Alley

Facilities Report

The Stayton Fire District consists of the main station (St. 80) in Stayton, Mehama station (St. 82), Marion station (St. 83) and the Elkhorn station (St. 85)

The Stayton station saw several upgrades this last year. The largest facilities project was the dorm remodel and addition upstairs. With the onset of 24/7 shift firefighters, we remodeled the existing dorm room, which used to be one large space, into three individual rooms to provide sleeping quarters for three firefighters. In addition to that, a fourth dorm room was added in the day room area allowing the district to accommodate sleeping quarters for four personnel per shift. Along with the remodel project, we purchased new furnishings for each dorm room.



Other projects included:

- A new turnout washer and dryer installed at St. 82.
- A new 65" TV/Monitor to replace the old projector at station 83
- Several smaller projects and annual inspections to include annual fire alarm system testing and fire sprinkler backflow testing.

~ Asst. Chief, Doug Kintz

Mission: *To provide outstanding service with commitment to saving lives and property*

Recruitment Report

(The Recruiter position is a joint position between the Stayton and Sublimity Fire Districts.)



Recruitment and retention in 2022 was able to change its strategy to get back into the public this year as the COVID-19 restrictions finally lessened. This made it possible to welcome the community back into the stations. This year has been full of big changes and transitions for the district, one of which was that our recruitment and retention position changed hands in August when Marcus was hired as one of the 9 full-time firefighters here at Stayton Fire.

As a district, we gained 5 new members: 2 firefighters and 3 Support members. Sublimity welcomed 11 new members, 3 as Resident Volunteers, 4 firefighters that came on with existing certifications, 3 Support members and one of

our EMS only moved to firefighter. Stayton had 7 recruits complete academy and begin responding after completing competencies in June.

A recap of projects worked on through the year: vehicle wrap on Staff 80 with a joint recruitment message, radio and billboard ads, and the recruitment video at the local theater.

Another big project throughout this year has been the revision of the recruitment video. We shot new footage to include both districts in the video and update various portions. We are excited to see the final product and put it to work around the community.



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Vision : We will continue to meet the expanding needs of our communities while maintaining a core of dedicated volunteers.

Training Report

Our training program has grown due to the addition of full-time shift crews and experience gained from the previous years' significant incidents, but we continue to regularly cover the basics in ALL areas of response; medicals, structure fires, wildland fires, hazardous materials and specialty rescues (vehicle, rope and water) with weekly training to prepare for all types of incidents.

Our medical training has increased as we have seen an increase in general medical calls for service. Our crews are prepared with training and appropriate PPE to better handle medical emergencies in today's environment.

Although fires are on a decrease, our awareness and preparation continue at a high level. The high risk/low frequency

calls require more time and attention to better prepare our crews to perform in the time of an emergency.

Stayton Fire District's training program is successful due to the dedicated instructors, the comprehensive training program and training facility to practice our skills. We conduct regular joint trainings with neighboring districts and participate in the regional academy for recruits. With the addition of shift crews, we are

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Values: We will exceed the expectations of those we serve by motivating each other to be the best, while putting the needs of others before our own.

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able to provide additional training with day drills and on weekends.

THANK YOU to ALL our members who contribute to our training program and maintain a standard

of excellence. The dedication of the men and women of this organization to be the best, is proven by their outstanding service with commitment to saving lives and property.

~ Fire Chief Jay Alley

SCBA & PPE Report

We began the process of gathering information and pricing to apply for a SAFER grant in January 2023 to replace our existing Self Contained Breathing Air (SCBA) packs, cylinder, and masks for the district. The district was also able to purchase a total of fifteen new sets of turnouts (the firefighter's protective clothing) for members. Twelve of those were purchased under the 2018 Recruitment and Retention SAFER Grant and two sets were purchased under the Local Option Levy.

Bottles & Packs have a life span of 15 years. We last purchased them in 2004 but we did an upgrade to give us five more years before they needed replaced.

A firefighter's air cylinders, harness and mask cost around \$9000 per person and a set of turnouts, hood, gloves, boots and helmet cost around \$5700. ~ Asst Chief Doug Kintz



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Another focus was on social media and community events. With the new aspect of shift crews, we had a different opportunity to promote our district through more events, training and public presence. We focused on getting into the community and talking about what we do and

what volunteer opportunities are available.

Our mobile reader board is still one of our best recruiting tools and we continue to rotate it throughout the two districts.

Thank you to all the volunteers for your support and time throughout the year.

~ Recruiter Rachael Potter



Apparatus & Equipment Report

The District Apparatus and Equipment maintenance program consists of inspections, repairs, and preventative maintenance of 20 apparatus as well as over 50 pieces of small equipment, 5 trailers, tractors, mowers, etc.

Quarterly inspections as well as the annual inspections are performed on the mobile reader board trailer, the four station's backup generators, the Dispatch center's backup generator, the mobile breathing air trailer, and the District's Aerial on L80.

Annual inspections are also performed on all the district's apparatus and equipment. Ladders are tested for strength and safety, and all the district's fire pumps are tested to ensure reliability and performance which is of utmost importance in an emergency.

Stayton Fire District also provides annual inspections, ladder testing, and pump testing for Gates Fire District and Sublimity Fire District apparatus and assists Aumsville Fire with their pump testing.

Other tasks for the Mechanic position are being on the Safety Committee, assisting with OSHA consultations, repairing and testing the wildland hose, and overseeing the fire hose testing for Stayton and Gates Fire Districts.

With constant changes to technology, equipment and firefighting procedures, it's important for the Mechanic to stay current with these changes with continual training. This year, that included recertification of F3 EVT certification for Fire Pumps and Accessories; Bendix air brakes class to become familiar with the more current air brake component; completing the Firefighter Type 2 class and attending a field day to work on the task book for this certification.

The District's mission is "To provide outstanding service with commitment to saving lives and property". It is important to me to be a part of that mission and to help provide reliable and dependable apparatus and equipment when emergencies arise.

~ FF/Mechanic Sean Weitman



Annual Awards



CELEBRATING 35 YEARS OF SERVICE:
Eric Fery and Dan Houston



CELEBRATING 20
YEARS OF
SERVICE:
Retired Fire Chief
Jack Carriger

2022 District Award Winners

Starting at top row, left to right

FF of the Year Daniel Koellman; Officer of the Year Trent Tegen; Medic of the Year Marcus Andrews, Volunteer Service with Price Award Tainie Alley; Rookie of the Year Drake Smith, and Support Person of the Year Lucy Hemenway



Annual Awards



5 Years of Service

Josh Starbuck, Curtis Deetz, and Ashley Griffith



7 Years of Service

Russ Strohmeier and *(not shown)* Aletha Shine



10 Years of Service

Trent Tegen, Scott Orr, Lucy Hemenway
(not shown) Nick Lulay, Sean Weitman, Kaitlynn Woodsmall & Maria Sammons



2022 Academy Grads

Chris Enquist, Wyatt McDougall,
Andrey Anderson, Drake Smith,
Corey Rhinevault
Cody Murphy and Jonny Jensen



Career Shift FF New Hires

(back) Marcus Andrews, Angela Hargin, Brent Cross, Scott Orr
(front) David Champion, Nathan Hemenway, Curtis Deetz, Cole Pursell, Vincent DeFabis



1260 Calls for Service



Extrication



N. Evergreen structure fire



W. Stayton structure fire

<u>Fire Service Area</u>	107 sq. miles
<u>Stations :</u>	Stayton - Mehama Marion - Elkhorn
<u>Personnel:</u>	Career (7) Shift Personnel (9) Volunteer FF (42) Volunteer Support (14)
<u>2022-2023 Assessed Value</u>	
Marion County	\$969,907,035
MC Levy	\$919,090
Linn County	<u>\$128,769,175</u>
Total Value	\$1,099,595,300
<u>Permanent Tax Rate</u>	\$1.3133
<u>Local Option Levy Tax Rate</u>	\$.8885
<u>2022-2023 Operating Budget</u>	
Personnel Services	\$1,833,215
Materials & Services	\$873,852
Capital Outlay	\$49,500
Transfers	\$164,996
Contingency	\$30,000
Unappropriated	<u>\$300,000</u>
Total Budget	\$3,251,563



Information Management



The Information Management Specialist (IMS) manages the District's computer systems, records management systems, software, member records, grant writing, incident stats, website and apparatus tablets.

We were able to get on track this year with the computer and iPad replacement plan with the purchase of 6 new computers, 1 laptop, 1 cell phone, and 7 iPads. New vehicle mounts and cases were installed for all the iPads. All four stations received web cams for training.



The largest project this year was the move to a new records management system called ESO. This system tracks fire and EMS incidents, property and hydrant records, inventory, personnel records, training and activities. The project is ongoing as we learn each module, configure it to our needs, import the data and train on its use.

With the implementation of this intensive project, the Information Management Specialist attended training conferences and webinars and met with project specialists in order to administer the modules and prepare information to be imported into the program. IMS spearheaded the CAD configuration for ESO, and the process to qualify the data for export to the State Reporting system as well as prepared Occupancy and Hydrant data for import to ESO. The program continues to be developed, monitored and updated to meet the needs of the District.

The Fire Life Safety Team installs smoke alarms for those in need with the help of volunteers and staff. They also work with the schools and community to teach safety and fire prevention. Besides community events and fire extinguisher training, our website, www.staytonfire.org, social media, ads at the Star Cinema, our electronic sign, and a Bigfoot banner are just a few ways we promote fire safety around the District.

IMS also continued applying for grants as well as managing and tracking current grants by submitting grant financial reports, performing closeouts, and auditing expenses.

~ Information Management Specialist, Laura Houston



2022 Volunteers & Staff

Volunteers

Alley, Taunie
 Bailey, Adam
 Bakke, Kevin
 Beaumont, Mike
 Beitel, Greg
 Bensema, Sherry
 Cooper, Scott
 Davison, Braedon
 Dees, Bradford
 Dershewitz, Gene
 Enquist, Christopher
 Griffith, Ashley
 Griffith, Craig
 Griffith, Kristin
 Harris Sr, Jeff
 Hemenway, Lucy
 Houston, Dan
 Hueller, Kurt
 Jensen, Jon
 Johnson, Antonio
 Koellmann, Daniel
 Lulay, Nick
 McDougall, James
 McDougall, Wyatt
 Mitchell, Ashley
 Murphy, Cody
 Nelson, Barbara
 Nichols, Christopher
 Oliver, Kelly
 Orr, Dana
 Orr, Steve
 Peterson, Eric
 Pomme, Nick

Randall, Craig
 Rhinevault, Corey
 Riordan, Matt
 Sammons, Maria
 Smith, Doug
 Stacey, Monica
 Starbuck, Josh
 Tegen, Trent
 Trahan, Tim
 Vigil, Scott
 Wakem, Jordan
 Wilson, Tim
 Woodsmall, Kaitlyn
 Wren, Allyson

New in 2022

Hollensteiner, BJ
 Maskell, Lavon
 Mullins, Sean

Shift Personnel

Champion, David
 Hargin, Angela
 Orr, Scott
 Andrews, Marcus
 Cross, Brent
 Deetz, Curtis
 DeFabis, Vincent
 Hemenway, Nathan
 Pursell, Cole

Left service in 2022

Carriger, Jack
 Hansen, Doug

Rule, Mathew
 Shine, Aletha
 Shine, Matt

Career Staff:

Alley, Jay
 Kintz, Doug
 Houston, Laura
 Grant, Rhonda
 Potter, Rachael
 Weitman, Sean

Board of Directors:

Fery, Eric
 Myers, Jay
 Odenthal, Mike
 Porter, Ray
 Strohmeier, Russ

Life Members

Coles, Gene
 Chrisman, Gary
 Crosiar, George
 Dotter, Don
 Fery, Eric
 Gulstrom, Troy
 Kimball, Dan
 McFadden, Kevin
 Reid, Bonnie
 Rowling, Ken
 Sisto, Ruben

