

## *CHIEF'S REPORT (09/21/2016)*

### I. Budget

- FY 2015/2016
  - See attached report
- FY 2016/2017
  - Drafting of Supplemental Budget request initiated

### II. Alternative Funding and Grant

- 2015 CDBG
  - Pahoa Brush Truck Apparatus Project
  - Currently at PWC for radio installation
- 2016 CDBG
  - Pahala Wildland Pumper Apparatus Project
  - Bid Specifications being evaluated
  - Low Bidder will be deemed non-responsive
    - Does not have required Hawaii Dealer's License
- 2015 AFG Grant
  - Application Submitted for replacement of Self Contained Breathing Apparatus inventory.
  - Received Notification of Award
    - Passed Final reading at County Council
    - Finalizing Purchasing order
- 2016 Office of Aging Grant
  - \$100,000 grant funding for a Community Based Paramedic Pilot Program out of West Hawai'i.
  - Program Started September 19, 2016

### III. Human Resources Division

#### 1) Classification

- Final Fire Fighter Recruit (Temp) position reallocated to Fire Fighter (Temp) position effective September 16, 2016.

#### 2) Recruitments

- Internal Recruitment with Department
  - Battalion Chief (Emergency Operations) – Assessment Center was conducted on September 9, 2016.
- Open-Competitive Recruitment

- Water Safety Officer I – Performance Assessment Exercise conducted on September 22, 2016 for two vacancies. Twenty-six applicants were scheduled; twenty applicants participated and seventeen passed. Interviews conducted September 27 & 28, 2016.

#### IV. Emergency Operations Division

##### **OPERATIONS:**

##### East Hawai'i

##### Incidents:

- 1) 09/01 - #15889 Narnia (Piihonua), Rescue Co.2 extracted an uninjured swimmer from the river.
- 2) 09/01 & 02 - Planning for Hurricanes Lester/ Madeline. AHIMT at EOC for IAP.
- 3) 09/07 - #16253 HazMat spill at Hilo Medical Center.
- 4) 09/10 - #16437 Brushfire Honoka'a – Waipi'o Road
- 5) 09/12 - #16571 Structure Fire Kini Road (Pacific Paradise Gardens).
- 6) 09/13 - #16626 Structure Fire Ling's.
- 7) 09/22 - #17173 HazMat BEI.
- 8) 09/23 - #17239 HazMat BEI.
- 9) 09/25 - #17377 person fell off of the cliff, Rescue Co.2 extricated the victim.
- 10) 09/29 - #12641 Cessna twin engine, with an engine failure.
- 11) 09/29 - #17645 PGV, unabated leak.

##### Events/Services:

- 1) 09/15, 29 - Hilo Airport Triennial Mid-Term Exercise-Planning Meetings.
- 2) 09/24 - Provide Operational support for Hilo Ho'olaule'a.
- 3) 09/26 - Type 3 HIAHIMT-Meeting
- 4) Continue Station Inspections and Company drills.

##### West Hawai'i

##### Incidents:

- 1) 09/1 & 02 - Hurricane Lester Planning and Prep. / meetings at WHCC
- 2) 09/16 - Incident # 16843 Person stranded/in distress – Mana Rd., Keanakolu area. (District 9) Person located and brought down from mountain, zero injuries.
- 3) 09/26 - Incident #17470 : Boat in distress off of OTEC (District 7) - Boat located by C2 and towed to port by RB7
- 4) 09/27 - Incident # 17507: Brush Fire, Honomaka'u Rd (District 15) – Extinguished without incident, smallish fire.

##### Training:

- 1) 9/14,15,16,20,21,22,26,27,28 : Fire Ground Survival operations course at Makalei Fire Station.- Training for A, B, and C shift personnel.

##### Events/Services:

- 1) 09/10, 11, 12: Station inspections of 2nd Battalion

- 2) 09/15 - Ironman Mass Casualty Exercise. Helicopter crash at starting line/swim transition.
- 3) 09/24 – Child Car Seat clinic in Kailua at Target - for the public
- 4) BC2 and Co. 14 attended Lalamilo Wind Farm dedication (District 14)

### **SPECIAL OPERATIONS:**

#### Hazmat:

- 1) Three personnel attended the Hazmat Continuing Challenge conference in Sacramento, CA in September. The LEPC funded their attendance. A report will be submitted to the LEPC on their attendance and recommendation of equipment.
- 2) There was a Chlorine release incident that occurred at the BEI facility. An AAR will be held with those involved in the incident to identify lessons learned and how we can make improvements.
- 3) The Hawai'i State Emergency Response Commission (HSERC) meeting was held on September 23rd and among the information given was the chemical inspections at all public schools. The DOE is doing these inspections and hiring contractors to clean up all chemicals that is not being used.
- 4) There was also an incident at the PGV facility with a steam release due to a high pressure situation. The ruptured piping was repaired and all of the generators resumed power.

#### Rescue:

- 1) We have trained with National Park personnel in the past involving possible incidents at the Volcano jurisdiction. They have requested to participate with our rescue personnel when doing high angle rescue operations in their monthly drills.

#### Ocean Safety:

- 1) The new surveyor lifeguard tower that will replace the old wooden tower at Kahalu'u south end has arrived. We have scheduled the replacement date for October 5th.
- 2) Coordination of RWC and Rescue boat to assist with Ironman on October 8, 2016.

## V. Support Services Division

### **TRAINING:**

- 1) 09/01 - assist EMS with HP CPR training for newly graduated HPD recruit class.
- 2) 09/12 & 13 - BT-10 training class with wet drill and Allison transmission training (all day both days) .
- 3) 09/20 - teach EMR class @ West Hawai'i Civic Center for expired first responder HFD personnel.
- 4) 09/21 - Child Passenger Safety Clinic for Tutu & Me Preschool in Na'alehu - checked 23 seats.
- 5) 09/22 & 23 - NFA- Preparations for initial company operations.

- 6) 09/24 - Child Passenger Safety Clinic Hilo & Kona- checked 52 seats.
- 7) 09/27 - Child Passenger Safety Clinic for Tutu & Me Preschool in Pāhala - checked 15 seats.

#### **VOLUNTEER TRAINING:**

- 1) Attended High Performance CPR Certification class on 09/14/16.
- 2) Distributed and reviewed T.S. Hurricane SOP's with all companies.
- 3) Reallocated Brush Truck 7B HFD B837 1990 International to Brush Truck 5C Fern Forest.

#### **EMS BUREAU:**

- 1) All 8 MICT students successfully passed all requirements for the MICT program and have attained permanent National Registry and State of Hawaii Paramedic licensure. This is the first class in in the last decade to have a 100% completion rate. 16 HFD personnel have expressed interest in the next MICT class targeted for Aug 2017.
- 2) Our first ever West Hawai'i FMS III position took affect September 19, 2016. FMS Vern Hara accepted the position and shadowed Captains Ebersole and Honda for two weeks of orientation. A big focus of this position is incident reduction in identifying and servicing the 60+ age group that fall into the gap area of not qualifying for Medicaid or the ability of private pay.
- 3) Councilman Onishi donated \$4000 to the HFD Hands Only CPR project. Monies will be utilized to purchase more manikins, AV equipment and CPR "coin of life" in support and expansion of this life saving project.
- 4) HFD participated in first ever Advanced Cardiac Life Support (ACLS) Experience Provider (EP) course held at the new Kona ARFF station. The instructors were seasoned, experienced medical providers on island for the Ironman Event. Ironman Medical Director Paul Berlin offered the training to HFD in reciprocation of HFD's support of the Ironman triathlon and Honu race event.
- 5) HFD EMS coordinated the KWXX Downtown Ho'olaule'a special event. Standby teams responded to and treated 9 event related cases with 1 patient being transported to HMC. The Unified Command with HPD, HFD, CD, and event coordinator aided in a smooth standby special event.
- 6) In recognition of National Child Passenger Safety (CPS) week and National seat check Saturday, HFD's CPS team coordinated two CPS seat clinics at the Hilo and Kona Target store parking lot. A total of 52 seats were checked and five replacement seats handed out for seats noted to be expired. That's 52 keiki and families who left the clinic safer and better educated.

#### **PREVENTION BUREAU:**

- 1) The Fire Prevention Bureau conducted 118 inspections.
- 2) The Fire Prevention Bureau reviewed 75 construction plans.
- 3) The Fire Prevention Bureau Investigated 1 fire, which was located at the Ling's Chop Suey where unattended cooking caught a greasy hood and duct system on fire.

- 4) The Fire Prevention Bureau conducted 21 public education events which include fire extinguisher trainings and Smoke Alarm / Home inspection visits.
- 5) The Fire Prevention Bureau provided fire and life safety standby at the annual KWXX Downtown Hilo Ho'olaule'a where approximately 15,000 people attended.

## **AUXILLIARY SERVICES:**

### **Maintenance Shop**

- 1) E1 and E18 are still waiting for corrections before being accepted; unknown when the required work will be completed by dealer.
- 2) E8 working with the KME agency representative to get vehicle back on line; estimated completion at 95%.
- 3) T20 HFD 533 is being converted from military to brush truck/tanker; estimated completion at 75%.
- 4) An upcoming mechanics class is being held in October in the training classroom and warehouse.

### **Dispatch**

- 1) Spillman CAD System implementation is ongoing and training of personnel is going to be held Tuesday through Thursday each week. Expected cutover is October 24.
- 2) Currently proceeding with the implementation on the following systems changes:
  - a. New 911 audio recording software verint.
  - b. New ProQA EMD protocols Version 13.
  - c. Implementation of First Watch.
  - d. New radio dispatch software to coincide with the change over from wide to narrow band in November.
- 3) Communication Center Manager Course started; FCS Karen Bugado and BC Kazuo Todd attended week one and are currently completing their inter-visit research project.
- 4) The three Fire Radio Dispatcher recruits are continuing through training with good progress.

### **Records**

- 1) September had 22 fire record requests; 21 have been completed with one outstanding at this time.
- 2) Starting a project to track completion times for request to fulfillment.

### **Repairs**

- 1) Next month we will have a list of ongoing station projects and other station repairs and progress.

## **Warehouse**

- 1) Warehouse move is 50% complete; estimated completion of move is November 4, 2016 as issues on the new office space still exist.
- 2) Work for the move will primarily be done on Fridays with normal business Monday-Thursday. A final movement is set for the week of October 31 – November 4, 2016.

## **VI. New Projects/Business**

- Selected Fire Company and Chief Officer will be wear testing nomex station uniforms for evaluation and recommendation.
- Initiating Planning Core Committee for the 2017 Hawai'i Fire Chiefs Association Training Conference that HFD will host.

## **VII. Employee/Public Relations**

- As indicated in narratives above.
- The Sayre awards dinner was held on September 3rd at the Orchid at Mauna Lani. Five HFD rescue personnel and two Ocean Safety Water Safety Officers were recognized for their exemplary performances. The foundation achieved its goal of generating funds to support equipment purchases and repair.