

**Browns Point / Dash Point Fire District #13
Annual Report for 2017**

Number of Calls

Fire: 23 (11%) EMS: 141 (67%)* MVA/Auto: 4 (2%) Mutual Aid: 14 (7%) Service: 30 (14%)*

Total Calls: 212

*Water Rescue totaled 7 calls (2 of the EMS calls, 5 of the Service Calls)

Participated in 8 WA State wildland fires covering 30 days by 5 of our firefighters and our brush truck.

Staffing

Total on 1/1/2017: 49 Total on 12/31/2017: 53 (includes 5 support volunteers) (Number of volunteer officers: 6)

Number of New Volunteers Added (excluding Academy): 4

Number of Volunteer Departures: 4 (Hired: 2, Left for other reasons: 2)

Training

Number of District recruits starting the 2017 Academy: 10

Number of District recruits completing 2017 Academy: 10

Total Academy training hours: 2000

Fleet Status

Engine 77 – 2001, 16 years old, 43,166 miles, replaced tires & batteries, maintenance up-to-date

Engine 76 – 2001, 16 years old, 35,268 miles, needs \$8,000-\$10,000 of repairs

Ambulance – 2002, 15 years old, purchased used in 2016, 170,075 miles

Brush Truck – 2004, 13 years old, purchased used in 2017, 20,729 miles

Water Rescue Vessel – 2017 purchased new in 2017, 12 hours, Coast Guard training in 2018

Command Vehicle 1 – 2004 Ford Expedition (Chief's), 127,740 miles

Command Vehicle 2 – 2003 Crown Vic (Asst. Chief's), 105,638 miles, transmission repaired

Command Vehicle 3 – 2004 Ford Expedition (Battalion Chief's), 111,600 miles

Fire Station Status

Browns Point Station 77

- Roof replaced

Dash Point Station 76

- Repaired air cylinder fill station for SCBA's (Self Contained Breathing Apparatus)

Financials

- Completed the year under our expense budget (-\$9,593) or (-1.61%).
- 2017 Budgeted expenses: \$595,697
- 2017 Actual expenses: \$634,515 less deposit reimbursements of \$48,410.90 = \$586,104.
- End of year Reserve account balance: \$54,004.
- 1st Quarter 2018 Expense carryover: \$160,000.

Key Activities

- **Upgraded water rescue capability:** With input from our citizens, we upgraded our water rescue capability by phasing out the personal watercraft and purchasing a 17-foot Zodiac rescue vessel. It will respond to regional emergencies on the water providing rescue and emergency medical services.
- **Replaced computers and software:** With our computers nearing the end of their life span and the improved technology available, we were able to upgrade to a more stable platform with cloud-based backup systems
- **Implemented phase 1 of archive / records management:** Completed education and review of decades of archived paper records to be in compliance with WA State Archives local government public records retention schedules, and established records management system for archiving future paper records.

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- **Transitioned to new county-wide EMS electronic reporting system:** To stay in compliance with Department of Health mandates, we transitioned to electronic medical reporting. Now our medical reports can be electronically transmitted to emergency rooms and our reporting agencies saving time and providing better data retrieval.
- **Purchased pet rescue system:** Our pets are our citizens too. To that end, we now carry resuscitation equipment for cats and dogs of all sizes.
- **Reached out via Website and Social Media:** We redesigned our website giving it a fresh look and providing more easy-to-access and timely information for our community. We had over 5,000 website visitors since early 2017. We enhanced web communications via social media using both Twitter and Facebook, which has just over 1,000 followers at year end.
- **Offered public education on fire prevention and safety:** CPR/1st Aid and Fire Extinguisher training classes were held throughout the year. Preschool tours of the Browns Pt. fire station were regularly held as part of a National program to educate the young on what a firefighter looks like and sounds like outfitted in all their protective gear and breathing apparatus. This is also part of the education offered at Safety Celebrations. Our annual 3-day Water Safety Awareness program was held at Browns Point Lighthouse Park to educate middle schoolers on water safety.
- **Participated in many community activities:** Easter Egg Hunt, Kids & Hoses, Dash Pt. Dash, Aqua Run, Browns Pt. Parade, Metro Parks Clean-up, Trunk or Treat, Dash Pt. Tree Lighting, BPIC Santa, Browns Pt. & Dash Pt. Santa Runs & Caroling Ship Events, and the above-mentioned Safety Celebrations and Preschool Tours.