

Fire and Emergency Medical Services

FIRE CHIEF- SUMMARY

The Fire Department budget includes the department's administration, fire suppression, emergency medical services, fire prevention, public education, emergency management, fire training and fire inspection.

Fire Chief

The Fire Chief works under the direction of the Board of Fire Commissioners, and acts as the chief administrative officer and administrative supervisor of the fire department. The fire chief is responsible for overseeing all fire stations, programs, and activities.

ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Fire Chief

Under the direction and authority of the Board of Fire Commissioners, the Fire Chief:

- Supervises, administers and coordinates the functions of the fire department.
- Directs and controls the overall operations of the fire department to assure optimum services to the community.
- Directs the fire departments financial and budget activities to fund operations, maximize investments, and increase efficiency.
- Appoints supervisors and assigns or delegates responsibilities to them.
- Confers with board members, city and county officials, or staff members to discuss issues, coordinate activity or resolve problems.

FIRE AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

As of September 9th, 2014, North County Regional Fire Authority has responded to 2635 calls. We project that the number of calls for 2014 will exceed 3,800.

2015 Fire Department Goals

- Hire a new fire chief and/or partner with another neighboring agency to share administration resources.
- Continue on building and improving our public education program within the Stanwood/Camano School District.
- Upgrade our budgeting and financial software, due to the current software provider selling his business to Bias Software.
- Continue to be an active partner in the Stanwood and surrounding communities.

- Participate in Snohomish County Hazard Mitigation Plan.
- Purchase new aid car.
- Hire two new firefighters to replace ones that left.
- Continue to enhance and build our officer development program.
- Replace out dated SCBA's and Life Packs that are at the end of their service life.
- Change our hiring process for entry level employees.

Fire Department Budget

In March 2012, City of Stanwood and North County Regional Fire Authority signed the inter-local agreement for fire protection services.

Station 99 is staffed with a Battalion Chief, Captain, three (3) Firefighter/EMT's and a Firefighter/Paramedic per shift. for a total of six crew members.

All general maintenance of Station 99, including apparatus and the cost of utilities is paid for by North County Regional Fire Authority.

| Fire Budget | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 |
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| (Stanwood Fire) | 1,279,392.79 | 1,279,392.79 | 1,279,400 |

2014 Fire Department Accomplishments

- Moved administration offices from Warmbeach station to Stanwood station.
- Participated in numerous community events through-out the year (Stanwood-Camano Fair, Warm Beach Summer Fest, Stanwood Car Show, Pilchuck Glass School Open House, Relay for Life, 4th of July Parade, Easter Egg Hunts, 911 Community Food Drive, Warm Beach Lights of Christmas, Christmas Toy Drive, Friday Night Football-Standby, Cub Scout Camp and many more)
- Provided CPR and First Aid Classes through-out the year
- Continued to enhance our Public Education program in the Stanwood/Camano school district.
- Participated in Fire Regionalization Study
- Purchased two new fire engines.
- Purchased one new medic unit (stationed at 99).
- Participated in National Night Out.
- Participate in Snohomish County Hazard Mitigation Plan
- Continued Updating the EOC.
- Started a new officer development command program.

- Working with the Stillaguamish Tribe on developing a fire and life safety plan for their new hotel opening in early 2015.
- Replaced two open commission positions.
- Fully trained crews and put into service the new Ladder 99.
- Provided mutual aid assistance to the Oso slide event.