

City of Sanger

Fire Department Mid-Year Report
July 2014 to December 2014

Fire Department

- ▶ Mid Year Accomplishments
- ▶ Second Half Goals



Fire Department

▶ Accomplishments

- Maintained a chute time of 60 seconds at least 95% of the time.
- Maintained an enroute to scene time within City limits to an average of four minutes at least 95% of the time.
- Continued the amount of in-house training for all Paramedics and EMT's.
- Ground Emergency Medical Transport (GEMT)
 - Filed the necessary Cost Reports for reimbursement of FY 13/14 Medi Cal transports.



Fire Department

▶ Accomplishments

- Continued an increased public education program on fire and life safety
 - Approximately 2,500 children and adults were educated in fire safety.
- Co-sponsored 3rd Annual National Night Out with over 600 in attendance.
- Organized the 2nd Annual combined Open House (Fire & Police) with over 400 in attendance.



Fire Department

- ▶ Accomplishments – Fire Prevention:
 - Conducted over 60 fire safety inspections for new and existing businesses.
 - Conducted fire safety inspections on all of the following businesses:
 - 11 large daycares (6 or more); 12 apartment complexes; 29 restaurant inspections including hood system; 3 elder care facilities and inspection of residential sprinkler systems for all new homes and existing homes (as needed).
 - Fire inspection and alarm testing for all schools.



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- ▶ Accomplishments – Fire Prevention:
 - Prepared pre-fire planning at selected businesses and established target hazards within the City.
 - Weed Abatement Program (approx. 200 properties).
 - Serviced, painted and tested at least 10% of all City fire hydrants.



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- ▶ Accomplishments – Community Interaction:
 - Continued to support the Firefighter ROP classes for students at Sanger High and Dinuba High.
 - Recruited for Firefighter Explorer Program in cooperation with the Boy Scouts of America.
 - Conducted CPR Classes for approx. 40 students.



Fire Department

▶ Accomplishments

- Grant-funded Programs
 - Approximately \$6,500 obtained from the State Homeland Security Grant program.
 - Fire Prevention Grants/Donations:
 - \$2,500 from Wal-Mart for National Night Out
 - \$1,000 from Golden Living for Community CPR Classes
- Grant Requests (Pending Approval)
 - Assistance to Firefighter's Grant Program – \$190,000 for fire training center.



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- ▶ Goals and Objectives:
 - Continue to maintain department personnel and fleet to optimal readiness.
 - Conduct required NIMS training and disaster preparedness classes for City staff.
 - Purchase new Engine to replace aging equipment per the Measure S expenditure plan.
 - Service, maintain, and paint at least 25% of the City's fire hydrants before July 2015.
 - Continue to offer classes to the public in fire and life safety (In-service, CPR, Community Emergency Response Team (CERT)).



Fire Department

- ▶ Goals and Objectives:
 - Complete Standards of Cover document to describe the Fire Department's service level objectives.
 - Including review and development of Five-Year Strategic Plan
 - Complete the development of the Fire Policy Manual for adoption.
 - Present the 2013 California Fire Code with amendments to Council for consideration and approval.



Fire Department

▶ Goals and Objectives:

- Continue to review all Contracts for Fire & EMS Services
 - Maintenance agreements, service contracts and vendor auditing.
- Decrease Expenditures
 - Perform audits on disposable and non-disposable equipment and enhance monitoring of supplies.
 - Establish increased in-house EMS training for personnel.



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▶ Goals and Objectives:

- Continue to work with Acquisition Partners on grant opportunities.
- Continue to enhance the department's fire prevention and inspection program for local businesses.



Ambulance Services

- ▶ Accomplishments – Ambulance Billing and Reimbursement Programs
 - Met with current contracted ambulance billers and established expectations.
 - Increased documentation of insurance information on scene and at the hospital.
 - Implemented contract with Resolve Insurance Systems to facilitate medical insurance payments for accounts determined “uncollectable.”
 - Identified alternate funding mechanism through the State Medi-Cal IGT Program and researched contracts.



Ambulance Services

- ▶ Accomplishments – Ambulance purchase
 - Worked with Measure S Citizen’s Oversight Committee and received approval from City Council to purchase two ambulances for improved delivery of emergency services.
 - Expected delivery of ambulances first week of February 2015.
 - Finished implementation of new electronic patient care reporting system and billing services.



Ambulance Services

▶ Goals and Objectives:

- Maintain a chute time of 60 seconds at least 95% of the time.
- Continue the enroute to scene time within the City limits below four minutes at least 95% of the time.
- Continue the amount of in-house training for all Paramedics and EMTs.
- Provide classes to the public for CPR training, advanced medical classes for staff and other provider's, and health & wellness classes to focused groups.
- Maintain service level objective by providing two fully staffed ambulances full time and explore opportunities for a third ambulance.

