

**City Council
Staff Report**



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Subject: Fire Department November 2016 Report
Type of Item: Informational

Summary Recommendations: This report is for informational purposes as part of the Fire Department’s Monthly Report to the City Council.

Description:

- A. **Topic:** Fire Department Monthly Update.
- B. **Background/History:** On July 16, 2013 the Fire Department presented a comprehensive fire service presentation. At that time the Council directed staff to begin providing comprehensive Monthly Reports regarding department operations.
- C. **Analysis:**

OPERATIONS

<i>Emergency Responses:</i>							
EMS	EMS YTD	FIRE	FIRE YTD	OTHER	OTHER YTD	MO. TOTAL	Year To Date
8	65	3	26	0	0	11	90
			Month	Year to Date			
<i>Civilian Fire Fatalities</i>			0	0			
<i>Civilian Fire Injuries</i>			0	0			
<i>Firefighter Injuries</i>			0	0			
<i>Monthly Fire Loss</i>			0	0			
<i>Significant Incidents</i>			0	0			

Figure 1: Fire Department Calls for Service

Resource: Weber Area Consolidated Dispatch

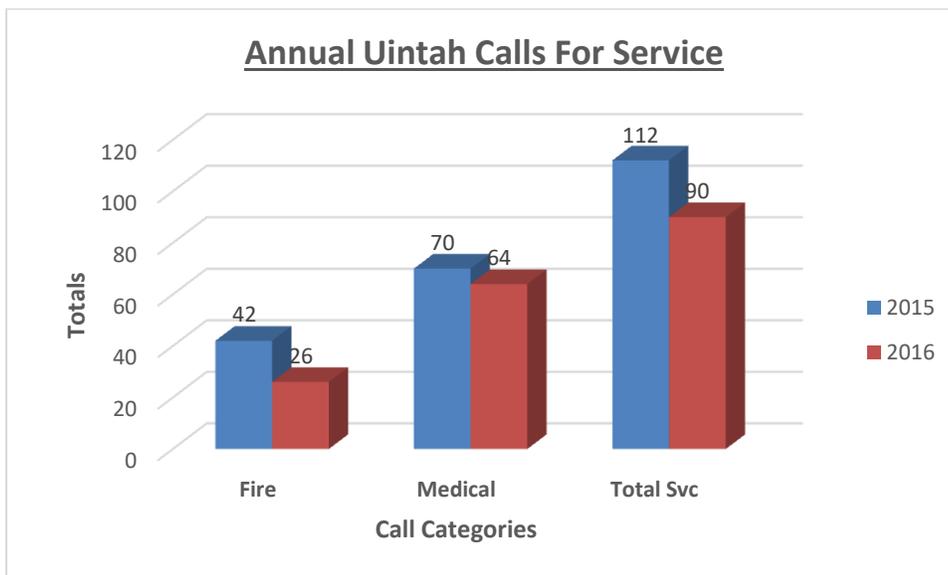
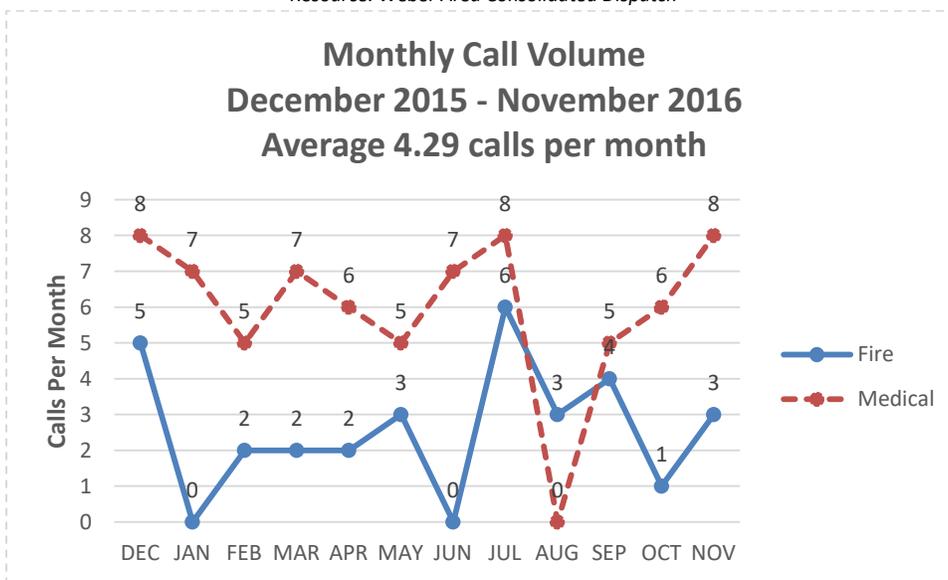


Figure 1 shows the total calls for service for 2015. Please note that 2016 is the call volume for January through November of this calendar year.

Figure 2: Monthly Call Volume Longitudinal

Resource: Weber Area Consolidated Dispatch



The trend indicated in Figure 2, shows call volume since December 2015.

Figure 3: Monthly Medical Call Volume

Resource: Weber Area Consolidated Dispatch

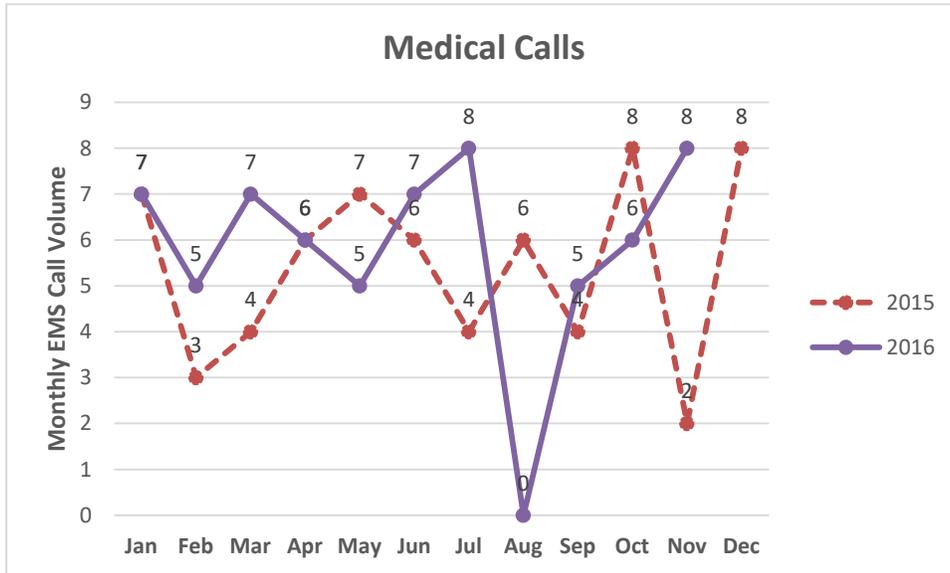


Figure 3: Monthly EMS calls for 2015, and January through November 2016.

Figure 4: First Responder Medical Call Response

Resource: Weber Area Consolidated Dispatch

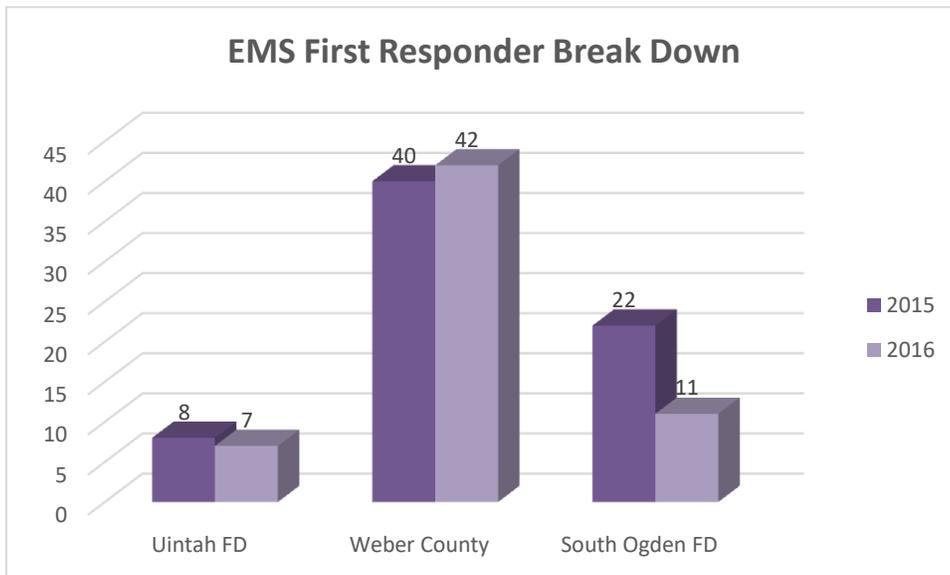


Figure 4 shows the First Responder Call Response, broken down by Primary Responding Agency.¹

¹ Weber County Fire District is currently contracted to provide this service to Uintah City.

Figure 5: Monthly Fire Call Trend

Resource: Weber Area Consolidated Dispatch

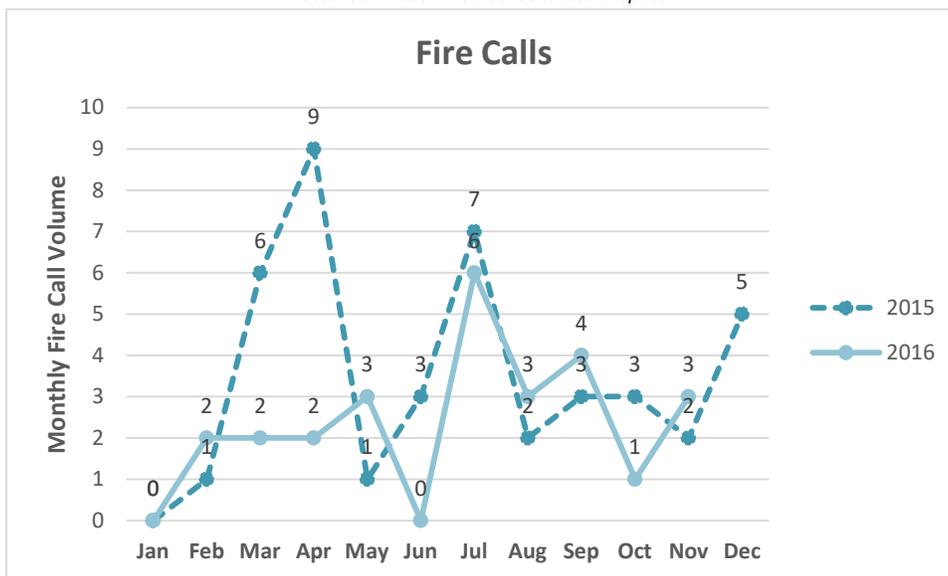


Figure 5: Monthly Fire Calls 2015, and January through November 2016.

Figure 6: Monthly EMS Calls by Type

Resource: Weber Area Consolidated Dispatch

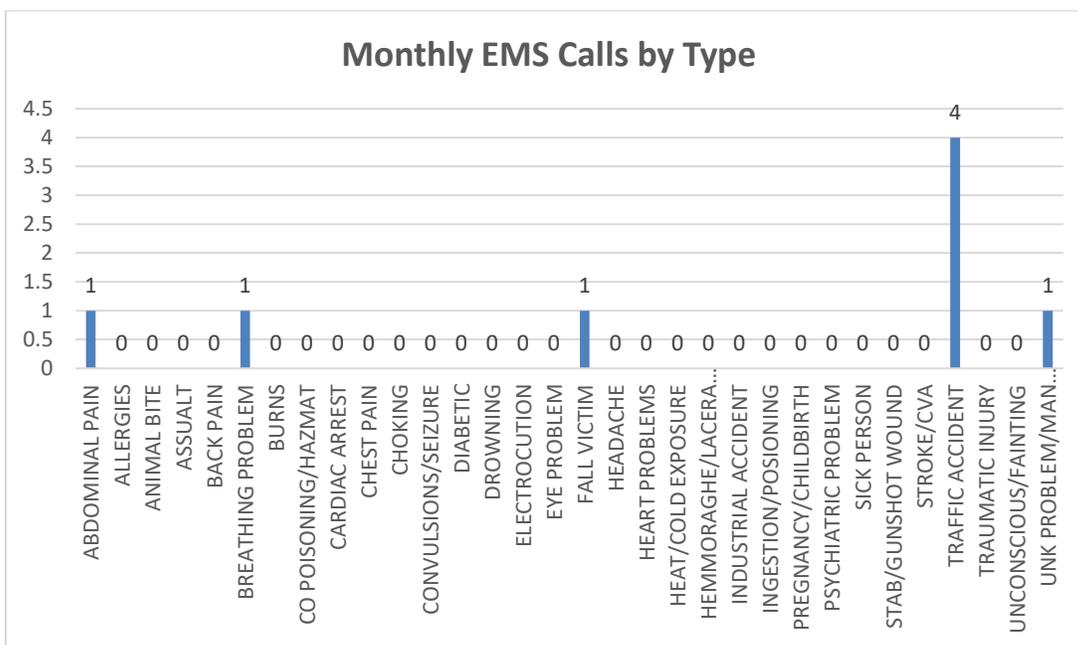
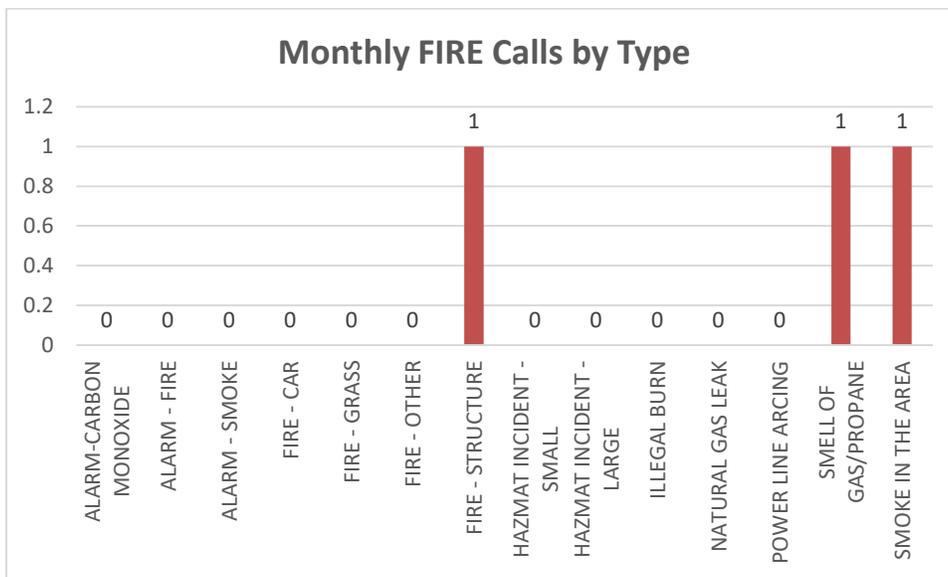


Figure 7: Monthly FIRE Calls by Type

Resource: Weber Area Consolidated Dispatch



TRAINING

The department completed its regularly schedule training drills.

<i>Training:</i>							
<i>Mandatory Training</i>				<i>Optional Training</i>			
<i>Fire</i>	<i>EMS</i>	<i>Monthly</i>	<i>YTD</i>	<i>Fire</i>	<i>EMS</i>	<i>Monthly</i>	<i>YTD</i>
<i>Offered</i>	<i>Offered</i>	<i>Offered</i>	<i>Offered</i>	<i>Offered</i>	<i>Offered</i>	<i>Offered</i>	<i>Offered</i>
3	1	4	26	8	7	15	96

During these training offerings the following skills and topics were covered:

- * Pediatric Emergencies
- * Patient Assessments
- * Apparatus Driver/Operator
- * Vehicle Extrication
- * Multi Casualty Incidents
- * Obstetrics
- * Hazardous Materials
- * Behavioral Health

PERSONNEL

Staffing Levels

<i>Operational</i>	Authorized	Staffed	Variance
Chief	1	1	0
Deputy Chief	2	2	0
Fire Marshal	1	0	1
Battalion Chief	1	1	0
Captain	4	2	2
Firefighter	20	12	8
TOTALS	29	18	11
<i>Support</i>	Authorized	Staffed	Variance
Support Volunteer	3	2	0
Support Intern	0	0	0
TOTALS	3	2	0
<i>Wildland</i>	Authorized	Staffed	Variance
Battalion Chief	1	0	1
Engine Boss	4	0	4
Wildland FF - Adv	4	0	4
Wildland FF - Bsc	4	0	4
TOTALS	13	0	13

Current Vacancies: Captain (2), Firefighter (12).

Personnel Changes

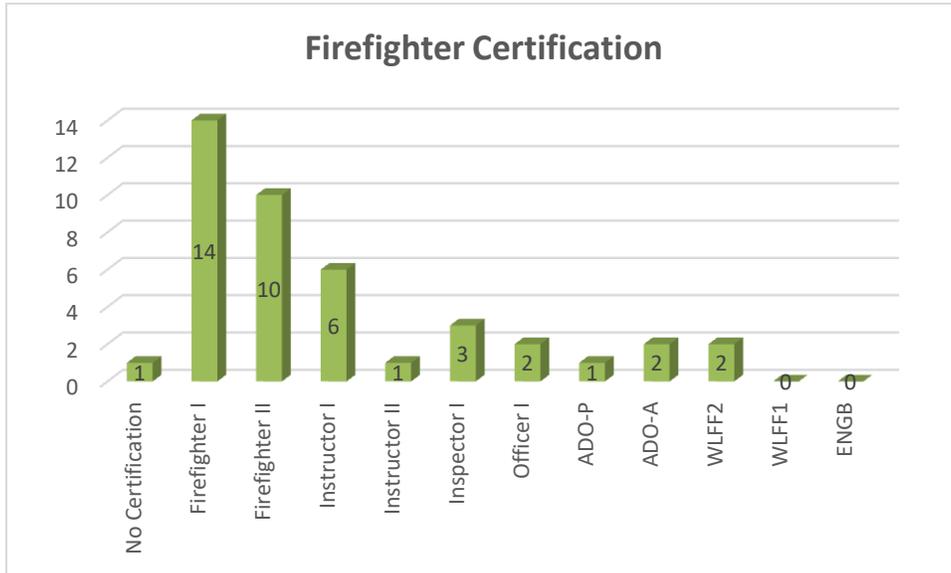
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Personnel Change Summary

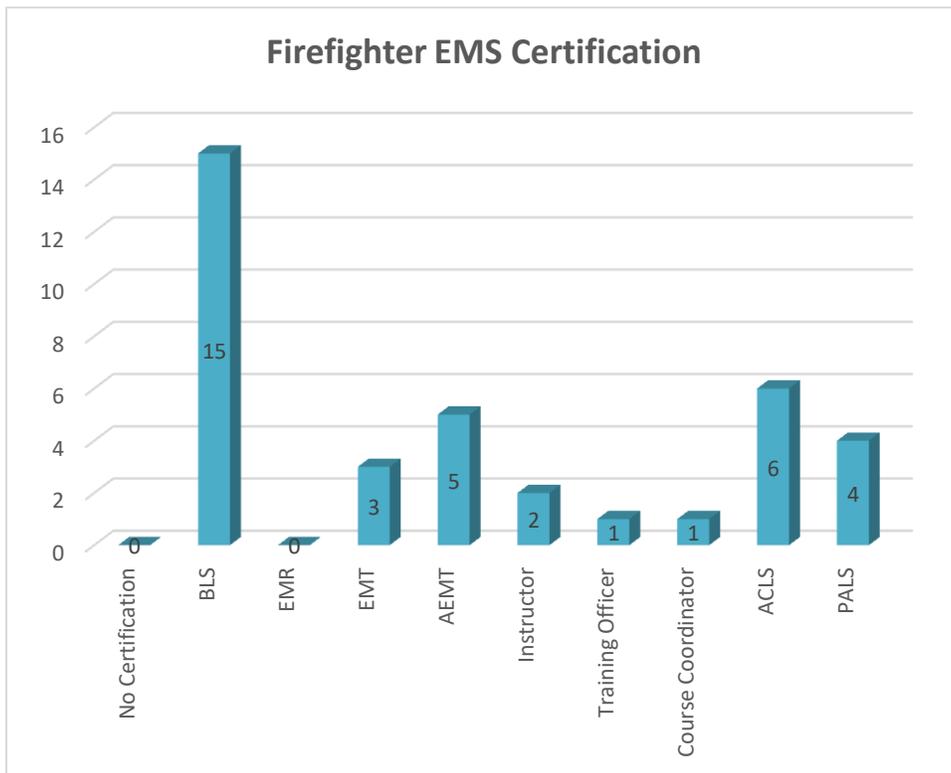
Reduction in Staff	0
Addition to Staff	0
Net Change to Staff	0

Personnel Certification

Firefighter Certification Summary



EMS Certification Summary



Position Task Book Summary

In 2015 the Department instituted a series of on the Job Training Task books to ensure that all department personnel have met certain minimum qualifications for each job regardless of state certification. This indicates that there is a basic standard of safe and efficient training in an environment where full-time jobs may hinder rapid completion of Firefighter Certification. The following chart outlines the progress on each level of those task books:

	Probationary Firefighter	Firefighter	Engineer	Company Officer	Non Response Driver	Response Driver
CH W. Pope	Complete	Complete	Complete	Complete	Complete	Complete
DC M. Marz	Complete	Complete	Complete	Complete	Complete	Complete
DC J. Osgood	Complete	Complete	Complete	Complete	Complete	Complete
BC M. Sacco	Complete	Complete	Complete	Complete	Complete	Complete
CA D. Bird	Complete	Complete	In Progress	In Progress	Complete	Complete
CA B. George	Complete	Complete	In Progress	In Progress	Complete	Complete
FF M. Mettler	Complete	Complete	In Progress		Complete	In Progress
FF M. Dunham	Complete	Complete	In Progress		Complete	In Progress
FF K. Smith	Complete	Complete	In Progress		Complete	In Progress
FF E. Knowlton	Complete	Complete	In Progress		In Progress	
FF D. Sacco	Complete	Complete	In Progress		In Progress	
FF T. Hansen	Complete	In Progress	In Progress		In Progress	
FF J. Martinez	Complete	In Progress				
FF J. Gallegos	Complete	In Progress				
FF N. Jorgensen	Complete	In Progress				

Personnel Attendance

Firefighter	Incidents	Required Training	Optional Training	Total Available
CHF W. Pope	33%	50%	0%	43%
DC M. Marz	33%	100%	0%	71%
DC J. Osgood	0%	75%	0%	43%
BC M. Sacco	67%	100%	0%	86%
CAPT D. Bird	0%	75%	0%	43%
CAPT B. George	0%	0%	0%	0%
FF M. Dunham	0%	0%	0%	0%
FF T. Hansen	67%	100%	0%	86%
FF E. Knowlton	33%	50%	0%	29%
FF J. Martinez	0%	75%	0%	43%
FF M. Mettler	0%	50%	0%	29%
FF D. Sacco	67%	25%	0%	43%
FF K. Smith	0%	25%	0%	43%
FF J. Gallegos	0%	50%	0%	29%
FF N. Jorgensen	100%	100%	0%	100%

- Captain George excused from trainings and incidents while attending AEMT Course
- FF Alex Dunham excused from training and incidents while attending ADO/P Course
- FF Kolten Smith excused from training and incidents while attending AEMT Course

FIRE PREVENTION

Fire Prevention	Monthly Total	Year to Date
Required Inspections	0	71
Voluntary Inspections	0	0
Plans Review	0	2
Vegetation Mgmt Inspection	0	5
Open Burn Permits Issued	0	162
Code Enforcement/Nuisance	0	13
Fire Investigations	0	3
Life Safety Education Presentations	0	2
<i>Number of Participants</i>		110

FISCAL

Budget Information

Monthly Budget Review				
Monthly Expenditures	\$	4,134.20		
% of Budget Year Remaining		50%		
% of Total Budget Remaining		22%		
Budget Category	Monthly Expend	Annual Expend	Remaining Budget	Percent Remaining
Salaries/Wages	\$ 675.00	\$ 4,624.00	\$ 9,876.00	68%
Employee Benefits	\$ 42.08	\$ 260.05	\$ 739.95	74%
Equipment/Supply/Maint	\$ 969.62	\$ 7,348.13	\$ 4,651.87	39%
Telephone	\$ 225.30	\$ 757.08	\$ 1,722.92	69%
Professional/Technical	\$ 610.18	\$ 7,920.92	\$ 10,079.08	56%
Education/Training	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,100.00	0%
Dispatch Fees	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 600.00	100%
Impact Fees	\$ -	\$ 2,965.00	\$ 35.00	1%
Gasoline	\$ 120.03	\$ 432.11	\$ 567.89	57%
Grant Expenditures	\$ 1,491.99	\$ 86,639.34	\$ 1,371.66	0%
TOTALS	\$ 4,134.20	\$ 110,946.63	\$ 31,744.37	22%

Volunteer Hour Tracking / Monetary Assessment / Savings to City

Volunteer Hours Tracking:		<i>November</i>	<i>2016</i>
Firefighter	Hours Volunteered	Value of Hours Volunteered	
CHF W. Pope	138.25	\$	3,189.43
DC M. Marz	23	\$	530.61
DC J. Osgood	40	\$	922.80
BC M. Sacco	104.5	\$	2,410.82
CAPT D. Bird	22.5	\$	519.08
CAPT B. George	56	\$	1,291.92
FF M. Dunham	32	\$	738.24
FF T. Hansen	43.5	\$	1,003.55
FF E. Knowlton	12	\$	276.84
FF J. Martinez	12	\$	276.84
FF M. Mettler	8	\$	184.56
FF D. Sacco	72.5	\$	1,672.58
FF K. Smith	32	\$	738.24
FF J. Gallegos	4	\$	92.28
FF N. Jorgensen	59.25	\$	1,366.90
C Durga	55.75	\$	1,286.15
K. Stuart	133	\$	3,068.31
		\$	-
		\$	-
		\$	-
	848.25	\$	19,569.13
<i>Amount Paid Wages/Benefits</i>		\$	675.00
TOTAL SAVINGS TO CITY		\$	18,894.13

- Value of Volunteer Hours is based of Utah FFSL Division for Firefighter Activities rate, currently set at \$23.07 per hour

WATER UTILIZATION

	Monthly Water Utilization	Annual Water Utilization
<i>Training Use</i>	0	475
<i>Fire Response</i>	0	1200
<i>HAZMAT Response</i>	0	0
TOTALS	0	1675

APPARATUS STATUS

Designator	Utilization	Status
Engine 91	First Due Engine	In Service
Brush 91	Light Brush Truck	In Service
Brush 92	Heavy Brush Truck	Out of Service
Brush 93	Light Brush Truck	In Service

ENGINE 91 **Status: IN SERVICE** **First Due Engine**
 1999 Pierce/International – 1000 Gallon Tank / 1250 GPM Pump

Recent Issues Addressed

- None

Immediate Maintenance Issues

- Needs Oil Change

Future Issues / Foreseeable Needs to Address

- Air Dryer Filter Needs Replacement
- Primer Leveler Needs Replacement
- Install Shelves in Compartment 3
- Install Dash and backup camera
- Remove Hose Reel
- Replace Right Rear Tire

- Flip SCBA Mounts in Compartment 2
- Recharge Air Conditioning

BRUSH 91

Status: **IN SERVICE**

Light Brush Truck

2003 Ford F-550 – 590 Gallon Tank/ 250 GPM Pump

Recent Issues Addressed

- None

Immediate Maintenance Issues

- None.

Future Issues / Foreseeable Needs to Address

- Install flashlight mount/charger
- Install Dash and backup camera

BRUSH 92

Status: **OUT OF SERVICE**

Heavy Brush Truck / Water Tender

1970 AM General M35A2 – 1000 Gallon Tank / Brush Pump

Recent Issues Addressed

- None

Immediate Maintenance Issues

- Install Battery Maintainer

Future Issues / Foreseeable Needs to Address

- Plumb new pump to tank
- Vehicle requires scene lighting installed for night operations.

BRUSH 93

Status: **IN SERVICE**

Light Brush Truck

2000 Ford F-350 – 250 Gallon Tank/ Brush Pump

Recent Issues Addressed

- None

Immediate Maintenance Issues

- Vehicle speedometer is not functioning. Needs to go to Ford Dealership.

Future Issues / Foreseeable Needs to Address

- Scene lighting needs to be installed on this truck for night time operations.
- Install flashlight mount/charger
- Install Dash Camera

PUBLIC OUTREACH

In the month of November the Uintah City Fire Department social media platforms received an overhaul. Although we maintained an audience our goal is to grow the audience. Social media is a vital tool to growing your platform. Websites like Facebook, Twitter and Instagram offer the opportunity to advertise and deliver valuable messages for free, but in order for these messages to be effective, you must have the right type of social media strategy to maximize engagement. Social Media is ever changing so reevaluating your content, reviewing your analytics and reaching out to you followers are key indicators to reevaluating your social media and keeping your message and content engaging and relevant.

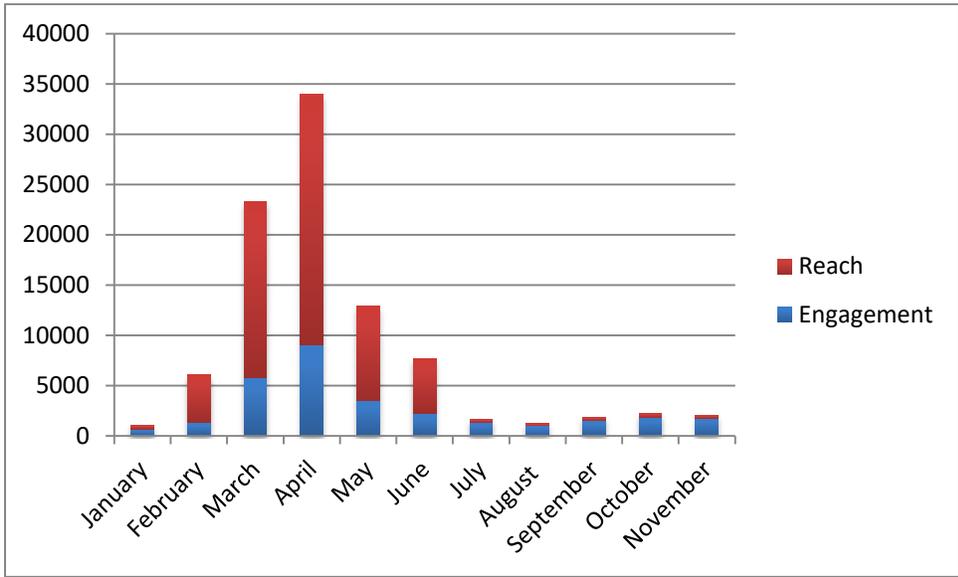


Figure 1 - Facebook Reach and Engagement

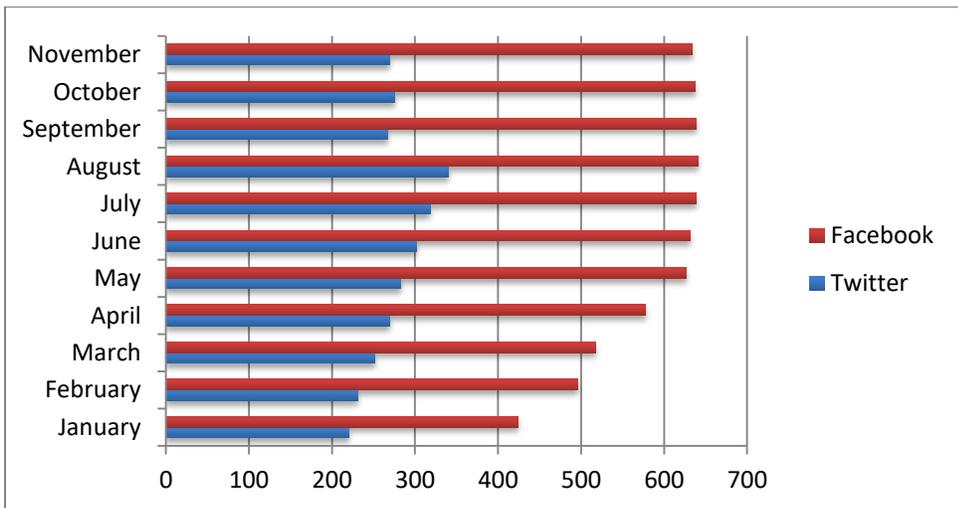


Figure 2 – Facebook and Twitter Followers

The holidays are upon us and with that there is more cooking and activity going on in your house. During the holidays, home fires are on the rise. This is why Uintah City Fire Department continues to partner with the American Red Cross in providing **FREE** Smoke Detectors (up to three) with installation to all Uintah residents. This campaign serves as a reminder that each home should have the proper amount of smoke detectors to keep your home safe. This would include outside bedrooms and in the kitchen.

The department is continuing to build a CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) Program for the city of Uintah. The CERT program educates people about disaster preparedness for hazards that may impact their area and trains them in basic disaster response skills, such as fire safety, light search and rescue, team organization, and disaster medical operations. Using the training learned in the classroom and during exercises, CERT members can assist others in their neighborhood or workplace following an event when professional responders are not immediately available to help. CERT members also are encouraged to support emergency response agencies by taking a more active role in emergency preparedness projects in their community.

Uintah City Fire Department was featured in the Standard Examiner once again as a follow up to the three-day package from last year. Their article featured on the station remodel and the growth of the department as a whole. Many organizations are wary of journalists. But if you avoid them, you'll miss out on the chance to get some valuable PR coverage in the press. For a small organization such as Uintah City Fire Department with no marketing budget, PR is one of the best ways to publicize the department. If you can create excitement about the organization and position yourself as transparent, the media is more likely to want to talk to you and publicize your organization.

Uintah Fire Department grows with new station, bigger staff, community support

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2016 - 5:00 AM



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SUMMARY OF MEETINGS ATTENDED

Uintah Fire Department Personnel participated in the following meetings:

- Utah State Fire Chief Association
- Weber County Fire Officers Association
- City Council Meetings
- City Planning Commission Meeting
- Weber County Operations Fire Sub Committee Meeting
- Weber County Operations Board Meeting
- Weber County Fire Protocol Meeting
- Weber County Special Meeting on Incident Alarm Stacking and Mutual Aid
- Utah State Fire Marshal Association

STATUS OF SIGNIFICANT ISSUES DEPARTMENT IS ADDRESSING

- The department is undergoing hiring process for several positions.

D. **Department Review:** Fire Department

E. **Significant Impacts:** This report is for informational purposes only. If the council has specific questions or concerns that are not addressed in this report please contact Chief Pope at (801) 425-2802 or wpope@uintahfd.org.