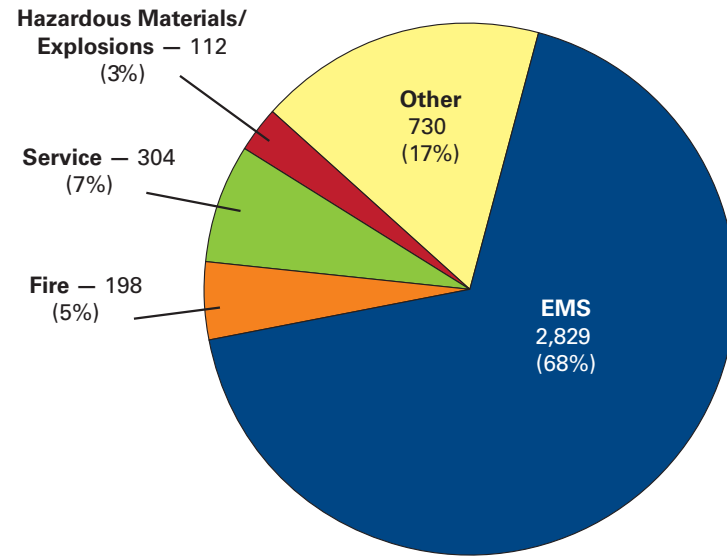


Call Volume 2012

4,173



Mild year end weather did nothing to stop an increase in total emergency responses in 2012. In addition, the number of fires was up by approximately 14% while the total number of EMS calls declined by 92 (3%). In all, the SeaTac Fire Department responded to 293 (7.5%) more calls than in 2011.



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SeaTac Fire Department Fire Stations

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Fire Station 45
2929 South 200th Street

Fire Station 46
3521 South 170th Street

Fire Station 47
3215 South 152nd Street

- Surface Water Rescue
- Map book /site map program
- Hose testing, maintenance and purchasing
- Self Contained Breathing Apparatus repair and maintenance
- Ladder testing, maintenance and repair
- Pressurized air and oxygen systems
- Fire Explorer Scouts*

- Confined Space Rescue
- Equipment decontamination
- Small engines and equipment maintenance, repair and purchasing
- Emergency medical supplies
- Uniforms
- Response records management
- Fire Administration
- Emergency Management
- Fire and Life Safety/Fire Prevention

- Technical Rescue
- Radio repair and maintenance



*The SeaTac Fire Explorer program is for young men and women between the ages of 14 and 21 and is designed to introduce and educate them about a career in public service as a 9-1-1 dispatcher, paramedic, or firefighter. Explorers attend public events to promote public fire safety education. In addition, they provide support and rehabilitation for fire department personnel at fire scenes and during major incidents throughout south King County. The knowledge and experience Explorers gain can help prepare them for the application and testing process necessary to become a public service employee. For further information on the SeaTac Fire Explorer program, please contact the SeaTac Fire Department at 206-973-4500 ext. 2809 or check out our website at www.zone3explorers.com.

From the Chief

Dear Community Member,

On behalf of the City of SeaTac Fire Department I want to thank our residents and the SeaTac City Council for their continued support in 2012. As an organization we are dedicated to the community for the preservation and protection of life and property through Education, Prevention, and Emergency Services.

In 2012, the SeaTac Fire Department Training Division, under the direction of Captain Ed Johnson successfully completed the second year of the Training Consortium consolidation. The Training Consortium has grown to five fire departments in south King County which includes the City of SeaTac Fire Department, Tukwila Fire Department, Maple Valley Fire Department, Burien and Normandy Park Fire Department, and the Kent Fire Department. We are now referred to as the South King County Fire Training Consortium, and provide safe, efficient, and standardized fire/EMS and specialized training to over 400 firefighters in south King County.

The SeaTac Fire Department continues to explore options of consolidating with the Kent Fire Department RFA. We are now creating a draft plan and a draft ILA (interlocal agreement) for contractual consideration of our organizations. Once the draft plan and draft ILA are completed, they will be presented to the City of SeaTac City Council and the Kent Fire Department RFA Governance Board for review and discussion. If approved by both jurisdictions, a contractual consideration for both departments could occur in 2014.

Your continued support of the SeaTac Fire Department has allowed our organization to evaluate, consider, and combine resources to sustain service delivery in the most cost effective way. We will continue to look for economies of scale and the reduction of costs as we professionally and compassionately help those we serve and protect.

Thank you,

Jim Schneider
Fire Chief



City of SeaTac Fire Department

Fire Chief — Jim Schneider
Assistant Chief — Brian Wiwel
Fire Marshal — Jon Napier

SeaTac City Council



Front L to R: Mia Gregerson, Tony Anderson, Terry Anderson

Back L to R: Barry Ladenburg, Rick Forschler, Dave Bush, Pam Fernald



Carbon monoxide alarms are now required in all residences. Install one today and increase the safety of your family. Contact the SeaTac Fire Dept. for more information 206-973-4500.

What was new in 2012

An Automatic First Response Agreement with South King Fire and Rescue and the Kent Fire Department was expanded to improve emergency response to all three areas.

The City of SeaTac successfully negotiated a \$600,000 contribution from Sound Transit in the Development Agreement to be used for the purchase of a new fire department ladder truck.

An inter-local agreement with the Kent Fire Department was reauthorized to provide continued Administrative, Prevention, Public information and education, Investigation, and Training services to the SeaTac Fire Department.

The Fire Department Community Assistance Referral and Education Services (FDCARES) program was implemented to connect residents in need of non-emergency services with those services.



An agreement with the Tukwila Fire Department located a digital amateur (HAM) radio repeater at Fire Station 46 to improve communications during a disaster.

The Zone 3 Fire Explorers brought home the gold by medaling several times at the Law Enforcement Exploring Conference held in Fort Collins, Colorado.

Firefighter of the Year Bryan Rozewski



Firefighter Rozewski is congratulated by Fire Chief Jim Schneider

Unit Citation Award: Engine 46



"...the patient would have died if the...firefighters' actions were delayed by even 60 seconds" as Engine 46 rescued a patient from a burning vehicle that had crashed into a tree next to a house.

Engine 46 L to R: Firefighter Rick Fetherston, Acting Captain Shawn Dailey, Firefighter Brandon Phillips, and Firefighter Jeromy Waddell

What to expect in 2013

Utilizing in part the money negotiated with Sound Transit, a new tillered (steered from the back) ladder truck will be designed and purchased. Ladder trucks provide quick access to heights difficult to reach with ground ladders, including the SeaTac Light Rail Station currently under construction. Delivery of the ladder truck is expected to be in 2014.

Training will begin for firefighters on how to operate a tillered ladder truck. The Fire Training Consortium SeaTac joined in 2011 will provide assistance.

The planning stages of a new Fire Station 45 will move forward. This station will most likely be located across the street from the existing Station 45 on S. 200 Street. Construction is expected to begin in 2013.

A presentation will be made to the SeaTac City Council to adopt the 2013 International Fire Codes as well as locally passed amendments to the code. Fire codes help to ensure public safety and reduce fire loss.