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PARK CITY FIRE DISTRICT



*Professionalism • Community Involvement • Financial Discipline & Transparency • Service • Dedication*

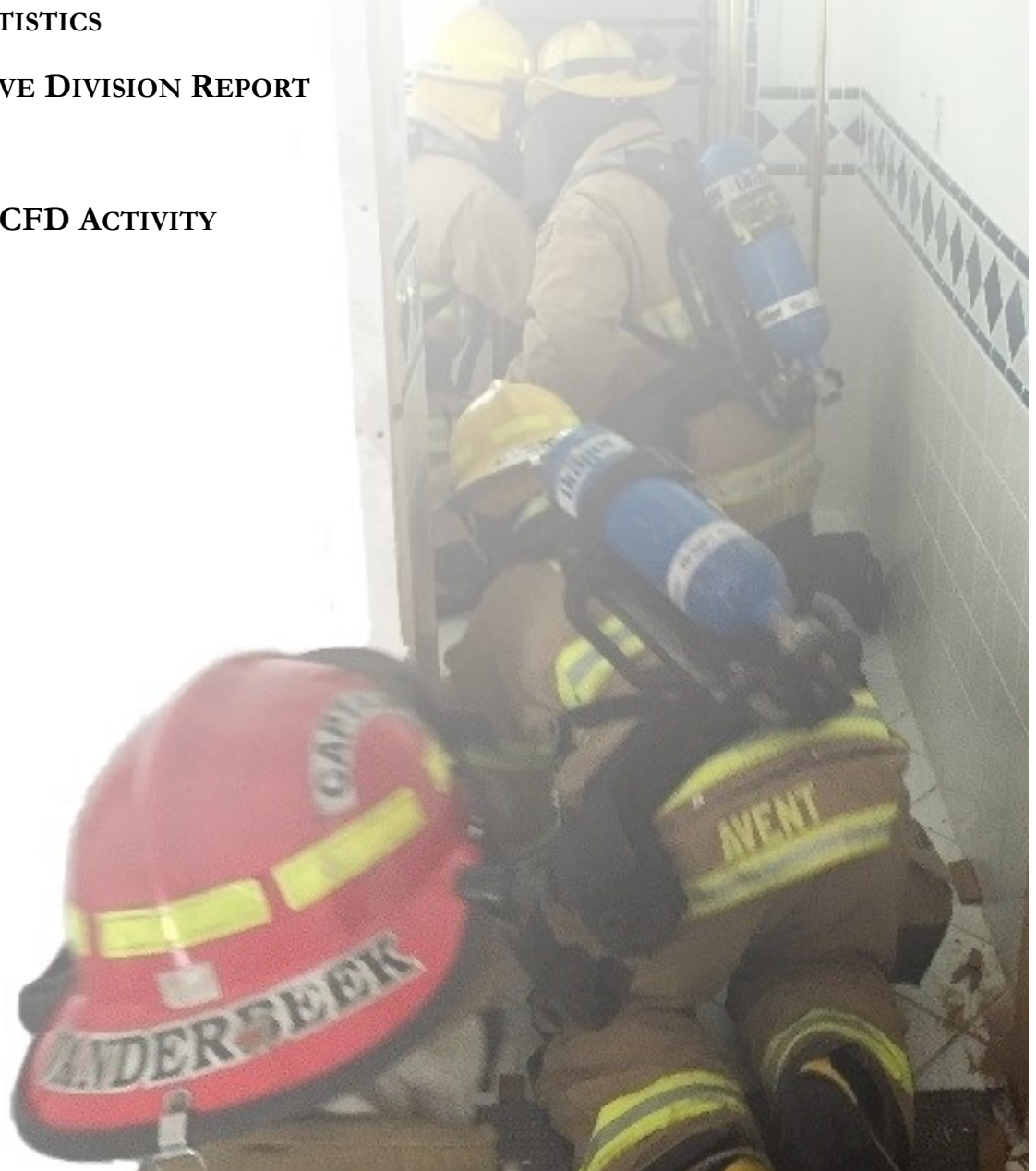
# Park City Fire Service District Annual Report 2016

*Compassion • Accountability • Respect for Citizens and Employees • Empowerment • Safety*

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## MESSAGE FROM THE FIRE CHIEF

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The Park City Fire District (PCFD) serves a community living in the Wasatch Mountains. Summit County and Park City offer some of the most beautiful vistas anywhere in the world. Hundreds of miles of mountain trails combined with world-class ski resorts make Park City a premier vacation destination.

Inherent in such mountainous beauty are unique risks. Our fire district maintains immensely diverse response capabilities. Our firefighters are well trained and have specialized equipment to respond to ice/water rescues, trail rescues, hazardous materials incidents, fires, confined space rescues, and all sorts of medical emergencies. We take pride in being well prepared to lessen the impact of an emergency event should you need us.

2016 saw many of our current strategic goals and objectives being realized. We began a new internal fleet maintenance program and will complete construction of our fleet maintenance building in 2017. We continue to lessen our carbon footprint and will increase these efforts in 2017 by adding solar power to the majority of PCFD structures. We improved and built on programs to ensure our firefighters are physically and mentally prepared to respond to the most difficult situations. The first months of 2017 will see significantly improved dispatch software making our response to emergencies significantly quicker.

2016 also saw an increase in emergency medical service levels for the north and south summit ambulance areas managed by PCFD. Full time emergency medical personnel are now on duty during peak call hours. PCFD always seeks to improve our service levels using new emerging technologies. We continue to work to place more automatic electronic defibrillators in public places, and we will take advantage of new technologies like the video laryngoscope that enables our paramedics to more readily place a patient airway in an unconscious victim.

Our ongoing wildland firefighting program benefits Park City and other states as well. The end of the year saw a 22-day deployment of a PCFD wildland firefighting team to the state of Georgia. This program runs at zero cost to our residents and gives some of our firefighters real-world wildland firefighting experience.

We hope you enjoy living and visiting Park City and Summit County as much as we enjoy working here. Feel free to contact me via our “contact” button at [www.pcfid.org](http://www.pcfid.org).

Please stay safe!



Paul T. Hurd  
Fire Chief  
Park City Fire District



## ORGANIZATION

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The Park City Fire District (PCFD) is located approximately 30 miles due east of metropolitan Salt Lake City, Utah, in the western portion of Summit County and can best be characterized as a residential/suburban ski resort community surrounded by wildland interfaces. The area is nestled in the grand setting of the Wasatch Mountains and is rapidly growing, partly due to its two world-class ski resorts and the Utah Olympic Park with its ski jumping and bobsled-luge-skeleton track facilities. Currently, the community consists of 32,000 year-round residents and draws 4 million annual daytime and over-night visitors, mostly in the winter and summer months. Additional day visitors frequent the area from the Salt Lake Valley area. Many visitors come from around the United States, as well as from around the world. Also, the status of some of our visitors, such as actors, celebrities, prominent government officials, and business leaders, is sometimes of a higher profile.



The PCFD serves an area of 110 square miles consisting of residential, commercial, and wildland urban interface zones. PCFD is home to approximately 83% of the population of Summit County's 1,880 square miles and encompasses greater than \$15 billion (89%) of the taxable value of the County. The PCFD employs 81 full-time firefighters and 15 administrative personnel, including a full-time mechanic. PCFD also employs and manages two paid-call ambulance transport services of approximately 60 personnel for an additional 1,770 square miles in North and South Summit County.

Although PCFD may be considered a mid-sized fire department, it provides a greater number of services than many larger fire departments. Indeed, it provides many urban-type services in a semi-rural/suburban setting. In addition to the typical fire suppression, rescue, and fire prevention services provided to the community from its seven staffed stations and one administrative facility, PCFD provides paramedic rescue services, EMT-Intermediate ambulance transport services, community EMS and CPR education and training, CERT instruction, and child safety and injury prevention programs.

Wildland fire suppression and prevention is also a major concern and focus of the PCFD because of its significant and growing wildland urban interface. The "Wasatch Back" (a two-county region just east of the Salt Lake Valley) developed a hazardous materials technical response team, which provides critical service not only to the Wasatch Back but also to larger regions of the State. PCFD employees are members of the FEMA urban search and rescue team, Utah Task Force 1. They are involved in all specialties and positions and are able to utilize their specialty skills on deployments during national emergencies. Other key services provided by the PCFD include backcountry, technical, and ice emergencies rescues.



## FINANCIALS

Park City Fire Service District  
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances-  
Governmental Funds  
Year Ended December 31, 2015\*

	<u>General</u>	<u>Capital Projects</u>	<u>Other Nonmajor Governmental Funds</u>	<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>
<b>Revenues:</b>				
Property taxes	\$ 11,147,318	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 11,147,318
Fee-in-lieu	281,566	-	-	281,566
Interest income	40,359	83,632	47,554	171,545
Other income	358,586	-	-	358,586
Sale of capital assets	14,800	-	-	14,800
Grants and donations	77,029	-	-	77,029
Fees and permits	<u>2,255,548</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>192,759</u>	<u>2,448,307</u>
Total revenues	<u>14,175,206</u>	<u>83,632</u>	<u>240,313</u>	<u>14,499,151</u>
<b>Expenditures:</b>				
Current:				
Personnel:				
Salaries and wages	7,044,709	-	-	7,044,709
Fringe benefits	3,428,310	-	-	3,428,310
Operations	1,767,534	23,918	-	1,791,452
General and administrative	200,932	185	1,010	202,127
Capital outlay	377,152	538,547	-	915,699
Debt service:				
Principal retirement	-	-	633,997	633,997
Interest and fiscal charges	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>274,500</u>	<u>274,500</u>
Total expenditures	<u>12,818,637</u>	<u>562,650</u>	<u>909,507</u>	<u>14,290,794</u>
Excess (deficiency of revenues) over (under) expenditures	<u>1,356,569</u>	<u>(479,018)</u>	<u>(669,194)</u>	<u>208,357</u>
<b>Other financing sources (uses):</b>				
Operating transfers	<u>(656,223)</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>656,198</u>	<u>-</u>
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>(656,223)</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>656,198</u>	<u>-</u>
Net change in fund balances	700,346	(478,993)	(12,996)	208,357
<b>Fund balances – beginning</b>	<u>11,124,071</u>	<u>14,402,035</u>	<u>854,221</u>	<u>26,380,327</u>
<b>Fund balances – ending</b>	<u>\$ 11,824,417</u>	<u>\$ 13,923,042</u>	<u>\$ 841,225</u>	<u>\$ 26,588,684</u>

\* This is the final 2015 financial statement. The 2016 audited statement will be available after June 2017.



# DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS

## Hirings/Promotions/Retirements

### *Captain Promotions*

July 2016



Training Captain  
Pete Emery

Captain  
Ashley Lewis

### *Engineer Promotion*

July 2016



Engineer  
Wes Holmes

### *Paramedic Promotions*

July 2016



Paramedic  
Frank Avent

Paramedic  
Joseph Sharrar

### *Retirements*

Feb. 2016

Dec. 2016



Captain  
Scott Rapshus

Captain  
Steven Boyd

### *New Hires*

March 2016

Sept. 2016



Mechanic  
Don Cole

Fire Prev. Specialist  
Jerry Gomez

## Awards

### *Firefighter of The Year*



Firefighter  
Matt Provost

### *Chief's Award*



Captain  
Ashley Lewis

### *Community Service*



Firefighter  
Laura Olson

### *Customer Service*



Paramedic  
Joshua Craige

Paramedic  
Bryan Grohovena

### *Outstanding Crew*



#### **Chili Cook-Off Crew**

Frank Avent, Gary Brinkerhoff, Max Doshier,  
Scott Greenwood, Eric Hintze, Laura Olson,  
Matt Provost, Brandon Pyper

### *Incident of the Year*



#### **Iron Mountain Fire - September 13, 2016**

Ray Huntzinger, Brandon Moore, Kurt Peterson,  
Mark Hoffman, Tim Briley, Zachary Smith,  
Matt Provost, Dehn St. John

## OPERATIONS

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Park City Firefighters spend many hours in preparation for responding to thousands of calls for help annually. Park City Firefighters are well prepared and have the training and equipment to provide the best possible outcome to any emergency. During the course of 2016, Park City Firefighters responded to thousands of calls for medical help, hundreds of calls for smoke/fire investigation, dozens of hazardous material calls, and quite a few technical rescue calls. Examples of medical incident responses are: cardiac arrest, seizures, traumatic accidents ranging from traffic accidents to sports injuries, allergic reactions, diabetic problems, difficulty breathing, choking, lacerations, chest pain, drowning or near drowning, fainting, overdoses, strokes, and an array of other injuries and illnesses. Examples of non-medical emergency responses included: gas leaks, fires, smoke investigations, structural flooding, chemical spills or leaks, extrication from stalled elevators, etc.

The Park City Fire District maintains an equipment cadre capable of handling the complex emergencies we face. A wide variety of apparatus with different capabilities aid us in accomplishing many different assignments. Our four-wheel-drive fire engines enable better traction on snow-covered roads and in remote areas that are accessed by dirt roads or require off-road capabilities. They have been carefully designed to perform well in all areas they serve. Our ambulances are rotated throughout Summit County to distribute mileage and keep each of these life-saving vehicles in top shape.

### **New Equipment**

In 2016 the District acquired one new engine, a used water tender, and four new staff vehicles. In addition, one ambulance was refurbished.

### **Fleet Maintenance Program**

In March of 2016, the District moved forward with its plans to develop its own fleet maintenance program by hiring a full-time mechanic, Don Cole. He is currently performing maintenance services out of the Summit Park Station but will move into the new fleet services maintenance building upon its completion. Construction on the maintenance building, which is located on land PCFD recently acquired near the I-80/US 40 intersection, will commence in early 2017. The approximately 12,000-square-foot building will have 3 maintenance bays, 3 storage bays, and an additional long-term storage space.



# FIRE PREVENTION & LIFE SAFETY HIGHLIGHTS

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## 2016 Fire Prevention Bureau Staff

➤ *Scott W. Adams – Assistant Fire Chief and District Fire Marshal*

Chief Adams graduated from the University of Maryland with a Bachelor of Science degree in Fire Protection Engineering. His previous work experience includes serving as the Chief Fire Protection Engineer for the Utah State Fire Marshal's Office, Firefighter/EMT for the South Salt Lake City Fire Department, and Consulting Engineer for Rolf Jensen & Associates, Inc., a fire protection engineering and building code consulting firm. Chief Adams currently is serving as Chairman for the International Code Council, Fire Service Governing Committee and as a Past President of the International Fire Marshal's Association. He serves as a Technical Committee Member on the NFPA-1 Fire Code, NFPA-101 Life Safety Assembly Occupancy Committee, and the NFPA Fire Test Committee. Chief Adams is certified as a Fire Code Inspector II in the International Fire Code and certified as a Building Code Plans Examiner in the International Building Code.



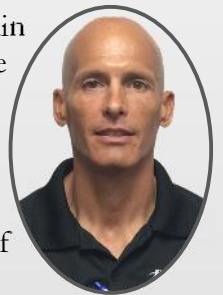
➤ *Matt Dyer – Fire Prevention Specialist*



Matt joined the PCFD Fire Prevention Bureau in October 2015 and has accepted an additional assignment of heading the investigation unit as Fire Arson Investigator. He has completed his first course in fire and arson detection through the Utah Fire & Rescue Academy and will take his certification exam in January 2017. He has organized and implemented the structure of this new program which saw him performing fire investigations in Fall 2016. He is instrumental to the department mission to keep all annual building inspections current in the service district area. Tenant improvement, business license, nightly rental inspections, and special event supervision account for the remainder of his duties.

➤ *Jerry Gomez – Fire Prevention Specialist*

Jerry joined the PCFD Fire Prevention Bureau in September 2016. He is a retired Captain from the Salt Lake City Fire Department. Along with his breadth of knowledge in fire suppression, he is a recently accredited Fire Inspector I and helps Specialist Dyer with annual and licensing inspections. He also reviews Solar Panel installations. Jerry has also accepted an additional assignment as Public Information and Community Outreach Coordinator. He is instrumental in the Fire Prevention mission to promote the Fire District in both print and radio media. He visits Randy Barton of KPCW the third Wednesday of each month to promote fire safety and the PCFD.



➤ *Suzanne McMillan – Administrative Assistant*



Suzanne joined the PCFD Fire Prevention Bureau over 11 years ago. Her diverse work load encompasses the processing of incoming paper work and taking payment for commercial/tenant improvement, single- and multi-family residences, sprinkler/alarm projects, and for permits to include blasting/fireworks as well as for the CPR/first aid program. She schedules commercial/residential and tenant improvement inspections, and handles scheduling for healthcare and daycare facilities. Additionally, she alerts PCFD Battalion Chiefs, all stations, and dispatch to full road closures and hydrant issues. Suzanne maintains the current and archived files for the PCFD Service Area.

➤ *Sue White – Clerk*

Sue joined the PCFD Fire Prevention Bureau in December 2015 as a permanent part-time clerk to schedule business license and nightly rental inspections and assist with public education outreach scheduling of the crews to schools and special events. She also schedules and charts the households and neighborhoods served during each wood-chipping season. In 2016 Sue coordinated the publicity and outreach activities to vicinity schools, scheduling times for the attendees for the Open House held at Station 36 in October and for the local and State organizations that donated their time and exhibits for the Open House.





## **2016 Fire Prevention Bureau Seasonal Staff**

- Ryan Mancl – Wood Chipping and Fuel Reduction Supervisor
- Tim Gannon – Wood Chipping and Fuel Reduction Specialist
- Rob Mottl – Wood Chipping and Fuel Reduction Specialist
- Clark Fredstrom – Wood Chipping and Fuel Reduction Specialist
- Zack Marquart – Wood Chipping and Fuel Reduction Specialist

## **Fire Prevention Bureau Responsibilities**

- Plan Review, Permit Issuance, Inspecting and Performing Acceptance Test of :
  - Fire Sprinkler Systems
  - Fire Alarm Systems
  - Specialized Engineered Fire Protection and Detection Systems
  - Smoke Control Systems
- Detailed Water Supply Analysis
- Interpretations of Fire Code Questions for Design Professionals
- Plan Review and Issuance of Project Clearance for New Construction
- Plan Review and Issuance of Project Clearance for Photovoltaic (Solar Panels) installations
- Business License and Nightly Rental Inspections for New Businesses
- Inspections of New Construction with Fire and Life Safety Systems
- Issuance of Operational Permits for Activities Regulated by the International Fire Code
- Investigation of Fires to Determine Origin and Cause
- Publication of Operating Policies and Fire Safety Information Bulletins



**Fire Prevention Bureau Activities:** During 2016, the Fire Prevention Bureau accounted for the following activities:

- Fire & Life Safety Inspections – 2119
- Business License Inspections – 423
- Consultations with Design Professionals – 9
- Project Clearances for Residential and Commercial Structures – 540
- Fire Protection System Plan Reviews – 215
- Fire Safety/Community Education – 70 presentations delivered to over 2000 children and adult residents.
- Fire/Special Event Permits – 270
- Building Department Meetings and Assistance – 220

## **Fire and Life Safety Plan Review of New Construction and Tenant Improvements**

The Fire Prevention Bureau reviews construction documents to determine compliance with the International Fire and Building Codes as well as all local codes, ordinances, standards, and regulations. This includes plan review of building sites for adequate fire department access, hydrant locations, adequate fire flow, egress and exiting analysis, and requirements for fire and life safety systems such as fire sprinkler and alarm systems.

## **Major Hotels Inspections**

Our fire inspectors were able to inspect all major hotels in the District to verify the readiness of the fire and life safety systems. It took a few visits for the fire inspectors to bring some of these properties into compliance. The Fire Prevention Bureau plan for 2017 is to have PCFD suppression crews perform a pre-plan and familiarization inspection of these hotels every 6 months, with the fire inspectors performing one annual fire inspection each calendar year at each hotel.

## **Commercial Business Inspections – Kimball Junction**

The Bureau succeeded once again in inspecting all of the commercial businesses and restaurant establishments in the Kimball Junction area. This will be the annual goal of the Bureau. One of the major accomplishments of this new program has been a reduction in nuisance fire alarms due to the enforcement that requires owners to maintain and schedule inspection of their fire protection and detection systems.

## **Park City Mountain Resort (PCMR) - Base Buildings**

This past September the Fire Protection Bureau partnered with the Park City Building Department (PCBD) to inspect all of the buildings located at the base of the PCMR. It had been a few years since a complete fire and life safety inspection had been performed. This is a partnership we plan to continue with PCBD to ensure the safety of the occupants and visitors to our major ski resorts.

## **Fire Investigation Team**

The Fire Investigation Team is under the direction of the Fire Prevention Bureau. The Fire Investigation Team consists of five investigators (one from each platoon and two from the Fire Prevention Bureau).

## **Public Education Highlights**

2016 saw the Fire District broadening the scope of vocational mentoring to older children and widening community outreach, as well as continuing the outreach and education of young children to the roles of firefighters, EMTs, and paramedics in their community.

- The October 5<sup>th</sup> Fire Prevention Open House at Station 36 played host to over 200 RSVP'd school and community attendees plus drop-in residents who had received word of the event through poster and media outreach. PCFD draws on the good relationships it has established with Air-Med, Life-Flight, the USDA Forest Service, the County Fire Warden, the State Fire Marshal, and AmeriGas. Representatives from these organizations commit to no-cost participation of displays and interactive learning stations for community children and parents. During this event, PCFD Fire Prevention Specialists presented safety demonstrations of residential grease fire suppression and an escape plan "how-to" for kids and adults when the smoke alarm sounds.



- During the course of 2016, Ecker Hill Middle School had visits of 500 seventh graders to Station 35 for Q&A sessions with station crew regarding careers in the field, pay, benefits, and career satisfaction. Participants were able to hear presentations of career life-stories of fire district employees.

- Crews participated at Trailside Middle School in both Read-A-Thon and Science Fairs. The emphasis requested by educators and organizers was for the crews to emphasize the factors that influenced their career choices, focusing on reading and how doing well in the sciences impacted their readiness in adulthood.

- Partnerships, in their beginning stages, have begun with P.C. People's Health Clinic and with elder care facilities to involve more sections of the community with PCFD services.

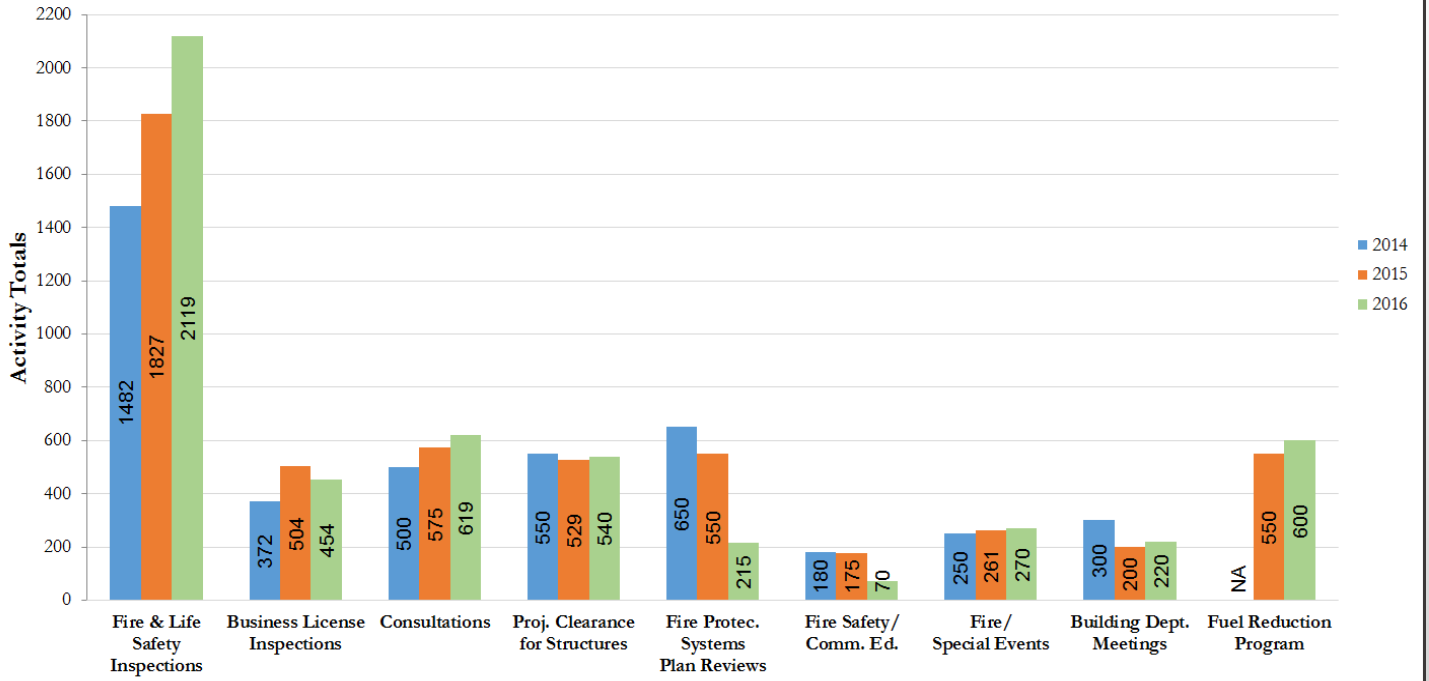
## **Wood Chipping & Fuel Reduction Program**

PCFD again provided its successful wood chipping program between June and mid-August 2016. With June compiling the largest number of piles, promotion of this chipping service is proving successful, as it has resulted in community members clearing their property early. This is a huge plus for PCFD fire control in the warm summer months.

- Chipping was performed for 553 households during the 4-month period.
- In September, crews cleared piles left on curbs in the District for which no chipping submittals were received, bringing the total to well above 600 households served and over 1200 piles chipped.
- As in previous years when homeowners requested chips, any that were removed were delivered to the requesting households.
- Fees for additional chipping or extremely large piles totaled \$2100.



## Fire Prevention Annual Activity Report



# TRAINING

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## Emergency Medical Services

EMS training in 2016 focused on PALS (pediatric advance life support), ACLS (advanced cardiovascular life support), and ITLS (international traumatic life support). The training was presented in two different ways: hands-on simulated training with instructors or self-guided training at the crew level.

For the hands-on training, PCFD created an EMS Lab at Station 36. The lab has multiple cameras with recording capabilities located throughout the room. The cameras allow EMS instructors to watch scenarios in real time from an outside room. For those electing the self-guided training, crews are presented training materials to review in their station in either a video format or PowerPoint presentation. Crews are also given an individual quiz that focuses on Summit County medical protocols.



## Paramedic Mentor Program

The Park City Fire District adopted a new Paramedic Mentor program for all new paramedics. The program assigns all new paramedics with an experienced paramedic that will observe and evaluate them. The core components of the program are:

- Formal evaluation each shift.
- Paramedic mentee will be observed and evaluated by their mentor on all calls.
- After any critical or ALS call, a full incident review is conducted.
- The mentee will be required to pass three clinical lab sessions in the EMS lab which will consist of an ACLS, ICLS, and PALS code. These will be at the end of each of the first three months of the program.
- The program consists of medical protocols, skills demonstrations, pharmacology, etc.
- The final assessment will be an EMS lab session consisting of one ACLS, ICLS, and PALS scenario as well as an oral review conducted by the PCFD medical control doctor.



## Rescue Task Force

The Park City Fire District, Summit County Sheriff, and Park City Police Department have implemented a Rescue Task Force. The model focuses on the needs and care of the victims of a mass shooting. Rescue Task Force providers work with the first-arriving patrol officers to deliver immediate medical intervention for readily treatable injuries, like severe bleeding or a compromised airway, which stabilizes victims for evacuation to definitive care. Rescue Task Force paramedics do not wait for police to secure the scene while victims are down.

## Fire Training

The Park City Fire District runs fire training throughout the year. These trainings are typically completed monthly and involve a class room section as well as a hands-on scenario involving multiple crews. The scenarios cover a wide variety of calls that PCFD may encounter, from urban interface wildland fires to a high-rise fire. All of these different types of situations require a different set of skills and equipment that Park City fire personnel must be proficient in.

## **KSA Program**

The Park City Fire District has a Knowledge Skill Ability (KSA) program with 19 sections that cover all pertinent fire skills ranging from accessing a hydrant to incident command structure. Sections are assigned on a monthly basis to all PCFD crews. The station captains have a month to review the assigned KSAs and sign each crew member off. The following month, spot checks are done on each crew on a few of the assigned KSAs from the prior month. These spot checks are performed by the Training Officer and are done to make sure PCFD members' skills are consistent across the department and that individual skills are proficient.

## **Task Performance Test**

The Park City Fire District adopted a validated Task Performance Test (TPT) in 2014. The TPT is a continuously timed event incorporating six different tasks that simulate the physical demands a firefighter can encounter. The TPT is performed in full turnout gear, including SCBA, wearing the face piece, and on air. Beginning January 1, 2017, all frontline firefighters must pass the TPT.

## **Officer Development Program**

Module I of the Officer Development Program (ODP) was held during November 2016. The class had 10 students who attended 6 days of classes. The course had a total of 13 different instructors and a total classroom time of 52 hours with instruction on the various forms of leadership, mentoring, and administrative tasks for PCFD captain candidates. Module II will begin in the fall of 2017 and will have roughly 13 students. Upon graduating from Module II, students will be eligible to take the captain's promotional exam.

## **Engineer Promotional Exam**

PCFD held an engineer promotion exam on November 22, 2016. Five Firefighters took the exam, which included a 160-question written exam, 1 aerial and 2 pumping scenarios, and an interview. Two firefighters are being promoted to the rank of engineer January 11, 2017.

## **Special Operations**

The Park City Fire District operates three special operation stations each day. The crew members of these stations are certified hazmat technicians and have training in trench, confined space, structural collapse, and high angle rescues. Over the past five years, PCFD has been certifying all these skills with the State of Utah through the Utah Fire and Rescue Academy. The certification process includes a written test as well as hands-on demonstration of the skills. PCFD completed the certification process on structural collapse in the spring of 2016 with 20+ members certifying with the State. Training on all five special operation categories is held once a year using scenario-based training.

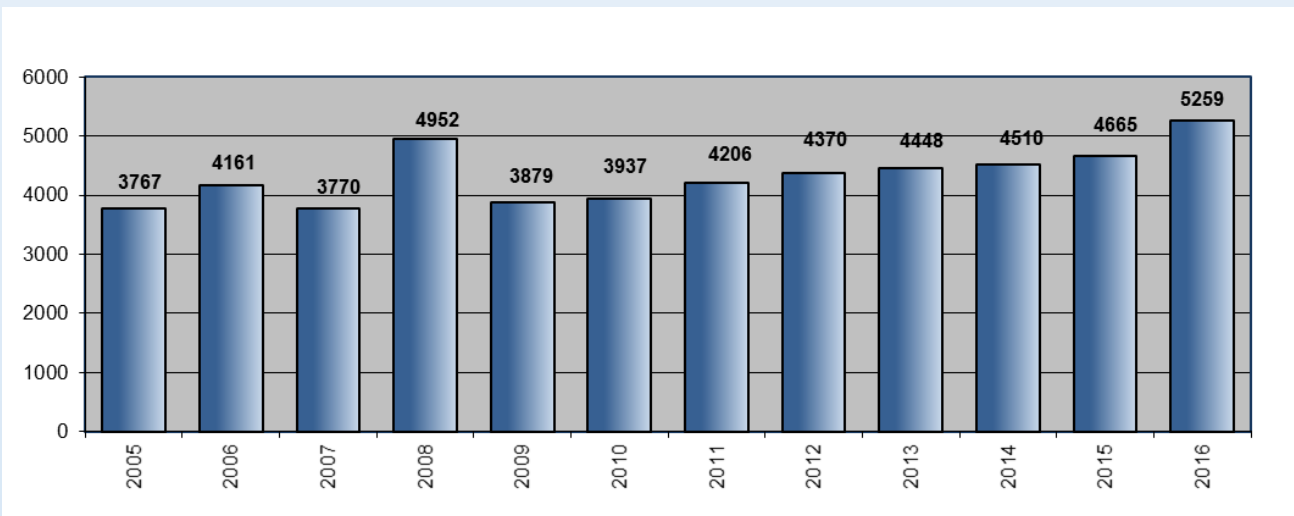
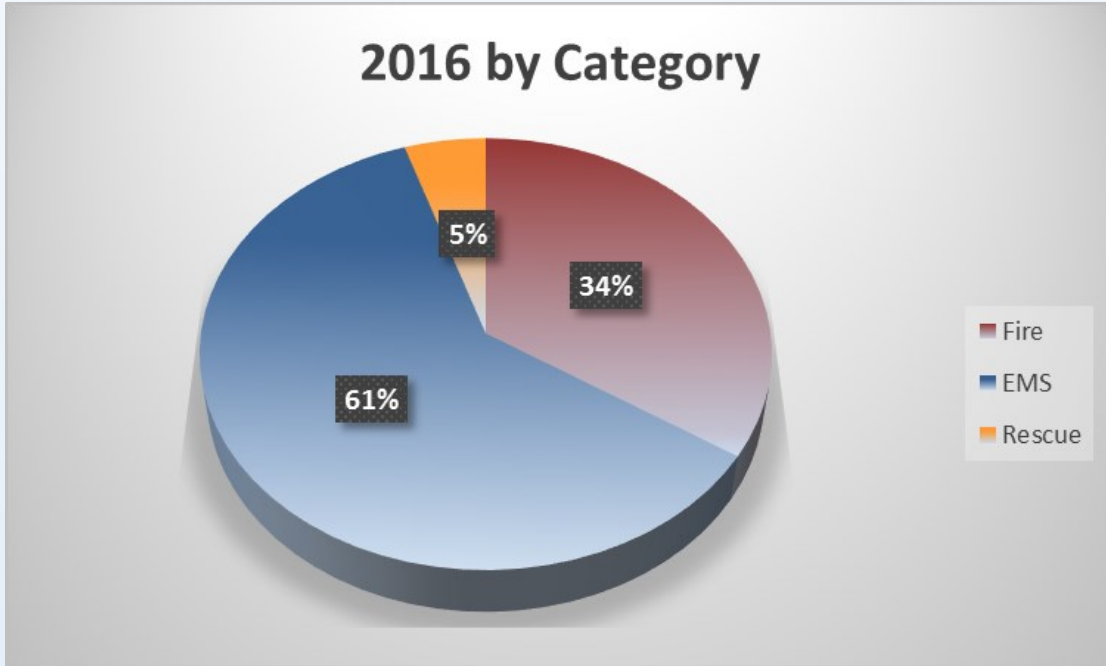
The Park City Fire District had two firefighters complete all the special operation classes this year. These certifications allow the firefighters to work at one of the three PCFD special operations stations. The hours required for each discipline are indicated below.

Hazmat technician:	Chemistry - 80 hours
	Site operations - 80 hours
	Hazmat hands-on training - 40 hours
Structural collapse:	80 hours
Confined space:	40 hours
Trench rescue:	40 hours
Rope rescue:	40 hours



## RESPONSE STATISTICS SUMMARY

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### 2016 Calls by Main Categories

Fire	1,797	34%
EMS	3,197	61%
Rescue	265	5%
	5,259	100%

## ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION REPORT

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### Information Technology

2016 continued to be a busy year for our District's Information Technology (IT) manager. This included upgrading our fund accounting software; enhancing our mobile private networking to ensure better interoperability between our mobile data terminals and our vehicles; upgrading our staffing management program (Cloud migration to be completed in early 2017); and replacement of aging mobile data terminals.

Another notable improvement made within our IT department in 2016 is with our wireless access points in our frontline fire apparatus. These vehicles have been up-fitted with antennas and power for wireless data. These access points will provide for greater security and enhanced GPS functionality for our response vehicles. This upgrade will provide the platform for improving our response times, allowing our dispatchers to identify and send the closest available resource to any given emergency call.

Lastly, efforts have been made to upgrade our outdated website. A presentation was recently made to the Administrative Control Board regarding several upgrade concepts for our website redesign, and these well-received ideas will be put into action during the first part of 2017.

### Ambulance Services

The Park City Fire District continues its long-standing partnership with Summit County to provide ambulance service within Park City and the surrounding communities. Our ambulance service continues to play a major role in the services provided by the Park City Fire District. Each year we continue to see an increase in emergency medical responses and transports within our community. Efforts have been made to work with our ambulance billing company, insurance companies, and collection agencies to provide the highest level of return in order to decrease the financial impact to our tax payers.



#### *Park City Fire District*

Under the direction of the on-duty Battalion Chief, four paramedic ambulances are staffed each day in the 110 square miles of the Fire District. These ambulances respond to 911 scene calls, various recreation areas, and hospitals and clinics for medical aid and transportation of sick and injured patients. Three additional ALS ambulances are cross-staffed, as needed, to accommodate times of unusual demand on our EMS system. Emergency medical responses make up over 60% of the Fire District's annual call volume. Continuing its long-standing partnership with Summit County, the Park City Fire District provides management and oversight to these Ambulance Services. The Park City Fire District is committed to working closely with this dedicated group and providing the highest quality EMS services to the County.

#### *Summit County EMS*

Comprised of approximately 60 dedicated part-time and paid-call personnel primarily from the North Summit and South Summit areas; Summit County EMS provides 24/7 Advanced Life Support emergency medical first response and ambulance transport services to over 1,000 Square miles of eastern Summit County. Summit County EMS responds to over 650 calls for service annually.

The Summit County EMS personnel participated in several community events this year, including appearances in various parades, rodeos, the County Fair, and participation in several health fairs at local schools, including a docu-drama at a local high school. Most notably for 2016, Summit County EMS partnered with Summit Community Power Works and North and South Summit Senior Citizen Centers to assist seniors with installing energy-saving LED light bulbs in their homes. While providing this service, EMTs also provided a complimentary Home Safety Survey, including checking smoke detectors.

These paid-call and part-time EMTs provided medical standby coverage at several events within and around their community. Several of the Summit County EMTs participated in the Park City Fire District's community education program. Many of these members have consistently taught over 60% of the courses offered this past year.

## **Community Education/Special Projects**

### *Community CPR and First Aid*

The Park City Fire District continues to offer monthly CPR and First Aid Classes to the community. These American Heart Association CPR, First Aid, and Emergency Cardiac Care (ECC) courses provide the information and skills necessary for those with a duty to respond to effectively assess and maintain life from the critical minutes immediately following an emergency until the arrival of emergency medical services personnel. Over 1,100 people were taught these important skills this past year.



Under the direction of our Summit County EMS Medical Director, Dr. Scott McIntosh, this year Park City Fire District partnered with Unified Fire Authority and [PushtoSurvive.org](http://PushtoSurvive.org) to create community awareness for “Hands Only” CPR. This short, 6-minute informative training video explains the importance of and how to perform this live-saving skill. Follow this link to watch our Push to Survive Video: [PCFD Push to Survive Video](#). For more information regarding these lifesaving courses, please visit [www.pcfid.org](http://www.pcfid.org).

### *High-School EMT Course*

For a fifth year, Park City Fire District has partnered with the Park City High School in offering an Emergency Medical Technician course. This year-long course is designed to give students the opportunity and resources to learn about and explore career opportunities in the Emergency Medical Services field as well as prepare them for the National Registry Test and State certification as an EMT. This year 31 students are participating in the program. Well over 160 students have had the opportunity to participate in this valuable training since its inception.

## **Emergency Management**

The Fire District continues to actively participate in the emergency management affairs of our County and surrounding communities. Fire District members continue to serve on various committees and organizations at the local, regional, and State level. These committees include the School District Safety Committee, Summit County EMS Council, Local Emergency Planning Committee, County Emergency Management Committee, and Region 2 Executive Council. Membership and participation allows for the Fire District to help direct the emergency management affairs that may most affect our organization.





## RECRUITING

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During the fall months of 2016, representatives from PCFD attended several job fairs at universities and colleges in Salt Lake, Utah, and Davis counties. Firefighter Laura Olson lead the efforts of PCFD personnel who visited with students from the University of Utah, Salt Lake Community College, Utah Valley University, and the Davis Applied Technology College/Standard Examiner. As a result of the contacts Firefighter Olson and others have made at these events, there has been a noticeable increase in the number of people who have expressed interest in applying to the District.

The next anticipated testing process will happen in the Fall of 2017. PCFD offers exciting, challenging, and rewarding career opportunities for men and women seeking professional and personal satisfaction in providing quality services to the citizens and visitors of the District. Anyone interested in filling out a job interest card with PCFD can do so using the following link: [PCFD Job Interest Card](#).



## **SAMPLE 2016 PCFD ACTIVITY**

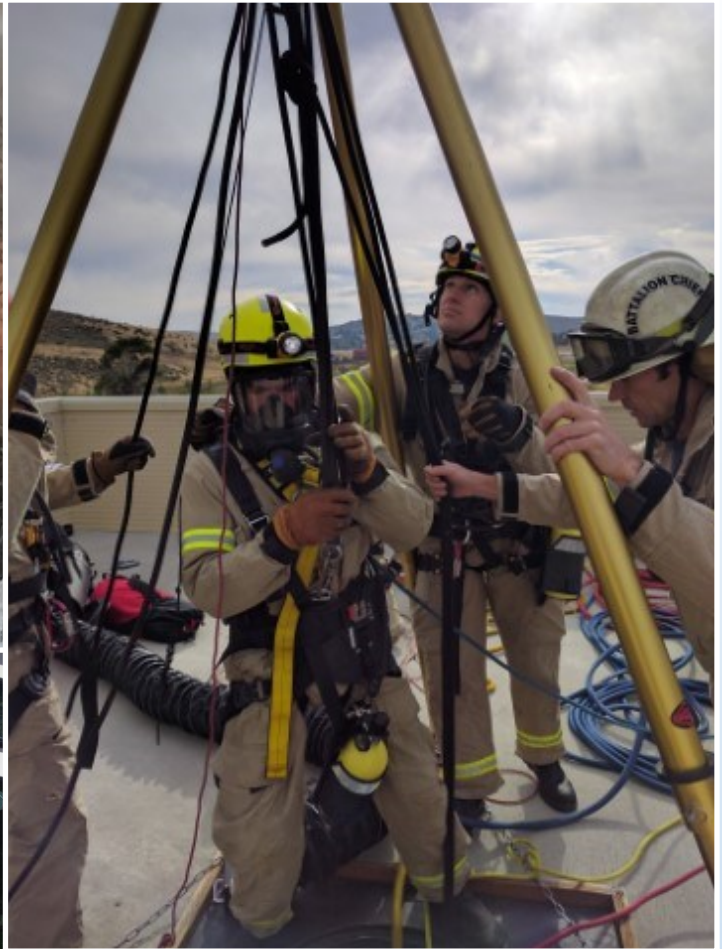
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- 1/13 A homeowner attempted to melt ice that had frozen his garage door shut and managed to start a fire on top of his propane tank. While attempting to extinguish the fire, a small explosion blew the man out of the garage and started the garage on fire. A short time later, the propane tank exploded completely, which spread fire throughout the house. On PCFD arrival, the residence was found to be fully involved with fire, and the siding was beginning to smolder on a neighbor's house. The fire was declared defensive, which means it was unsafe to enter the home. Suppression efforts were enacted from the exterior only. Four stations worked together to extinguish the fire. The flames were knocked down within 45 minutes; however, the fire continued to smolder for the rest of the day. The house and all of its contents were a total loss.
- 2/16 E38, E34, A34, and BC3 were dispatched to a residential structure fire on Silver Cloud Drive in Park Meadows. Upon arrival, the fire had been extinguished by the fire suppression system in the home. Smoke was evacuated from the home and the system was shut down to prevent further flooding of the home. Crews began water removal.
- 3/11 E/A 31, E/A34, E36, E/A38, and BC3 were dispatched to a residential structure fire on Annie Oakley Drive. It was a garage fire in a single-family residence in Prospector extending to the eaves and 2<sup>nd</sup> floor. There were no injuries. The fire was extinguished using 2 ½ attack from the exterior and 1 ¾ lines interior for mop up. The cause of the fire is unknown. The occupants' son arrived at home to find the garage on fire. The mother was inside and escaped without injury. The home sustained between \$100K and \$200K in damage.
- 4/14 Crews from Station 35 responded to a single vehicle rollover on East Canyon Road. The driver lost control of his vehicle and rolled it a number of times before it landed on its side in the creek. Both driver and passenger were belted and sustained minor injuries.
- 5/21 Crews from Stations 35 and 33 responded on a multi-vehicle collision requiring the closure of eastbound I-80. The collision involved elk or deer on the roadway, which caused one of the vehicles to rollover.
- 7/27 Back Country 37, 33, and A37 responded to the Glenwild trail system on a mountain biker who had fallen and sustained facial injuries. Crews used GPS coordinates from the caller's cell phone to identify where the patient was located on the trail. PCFD Moto 1 made contact initially, and the patient was taken off the trail by crews and transported to PKMC.
- 9/12 Crews from Stations 34, 38, 31, 36, 35, 33, and BC3 responded to a room and contents structure fire in the Iron Canyon area. The home was occupied at the time of fire and residents were awoken by smoke alarms. On arrival, crews found one room on the top floor to be fully involved with smoke and heat throughout the structure. E31 quickly attacked the fire from outside followed by a quick entry to extinguish the fire completely. One occupant of the home received minor burn injuries and was released on-scene.
- 12/30 An over-the-side rescue was executed on Highway 248. It involved a 40' vehicle rollover with one adult and one toddler in the vehicle. There were minimal injuries. The adult was removed from the vehicle through the front windshield with a backboard. Tech crews utilized a quick 2:1 haul system to assist the paramedics and patient up the embankment. The toddler was in a car seat and only had scraped knees. Both occupants were taken to Park City Medical Center. The driver stated she swerved to miss a deer in the road, causing her to lose control and drive through the guardrail.



# 2016 PHOTOS







The mission of the Park City Fire Service District is to enhance the quality of life for those we serve; safeguard the environment and economic base of our communities; make a positive difference; and provide excellence in service.

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