

Alfa Fire & Rescue

NEWSLETTER



Summer 2016

Volunteer Firefighters Already in Training



From the Fire Chief

Here's an update on the tremendous progress the District has made recently.

Through the huge commitment of our volunteers, support of the community and the hard work of the AFD Board, we have recruited a group of 16 Firefighters, 6 EMS responders and 5 Support Team members. We have been training our Firefighters since June on basic firefighting skills such as safety, structure/wildland fires, and driving of the fire apparatus. It takes many hours of training to reach the skill level necessary to safely and efficiently respond to emergencies but this is a big first step in the training process. We have two fire engines that are equipped and our Firefighters are responding to emergencies. I am very proud of all of our volunteers and the efforts that they all have made.

One of the top priorities for the AFD is to provide a rapid first responder to all medical calls in the district. These EMS first responders along with our Firefighters would provide initial medical care and CPR until the paramedics arrive. This process is just beginning but should be completely implemented in the next couple of months.

This is a very exciting time for this community and your continued support is very much appreciated. This is your fire district and I encourage you to get involved.

More information regarding volunteering or protecting yourself from fire is located on the website: AlfaFireDistict.org

For All Emergencies Call 911

Permanent funding for 911 was approved by the public on May 17th. You can now call 911 and receive an immediate response. This includes residents of Crook County. You no longer need to call any other number when you have a fire or medical

Donation Received

The following donations of equipment have been received recently:

- Fire hose--LaPine Fire Dept.
- Fire hose and smoke ejectors--Sunriver Fire Dept.
- Pagers--Bend Fire Dept.
- A set of helistobes--Layne Roberts and Precise Flight, located at the Bend Airport. These can be used in future emergency landing zones for any helicopter transportation situations.
- The green Street Address sign for the Alfa Community Center from Steve Stenkamp

All donations are greatly appreciated!

THANK YOU!

From the Board Of Directors

A site for the new District Firehouse has been located. You may have seen the sign on Alfalfa Market Road between the COI canal and Dodds Road. This 2.72 acre site is more centrally located within the District and has plenty of room for the Firehouse and parking. As soon as Deschutes County finalizes the land partition, we can begin some site work in preparation for the new station. Proposed plans for the station are being drawn.

Chief Thompson has been doing an outstanding job of recruiting and training volunteers and organizing for the future. We expect to begin the medical personnel training over the next few months. It takes an incredible amount of work to start a new district and we are feeling positive about where we are at this juncture.

Seeking a donation: A heated, insulated storage facility for our fire truck. Needs to be at least 12' wide x 13' high x 40' long. Contact Bob Kathman or Ron Thompson.



We are ready for you to join the AFD and begin serving your community. Please go to our website for more information.

**Alfalfa Fire District needs
Firefighters and EMS
volunteers**

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Calendar of Events

- The Board of Directors meet at 6:00 pm on the second Wednesday of the month at the Community Center.
- The Board holds a working meeting at 6:00 pm on the fourth Wednesday of the month at the Community Center.

All are welcome and refreshments are provided

- Volunteer Firefighters meet at 6:00 pm every Monday at the Community Center. To attend, submit an application, found on the AFD website—AlfalfaFireDistrict.org

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