

Volunteering to Make a Difference

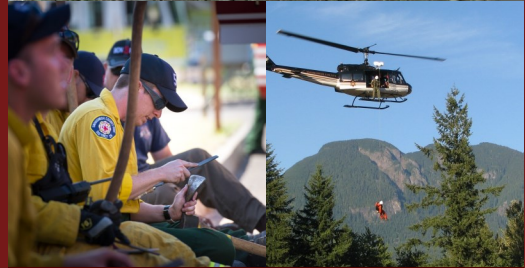


2014

**Snohomish County Fire District 26
Annual Report**

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PERSONNEL

DISTRICT RESPONDERS

- 4 Chief Officers
- 38 Firefighter/EMS
- 5 EMS Only Responders
- 10 Paramedics
- 1 District Secretary



SNOHOMISH COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT 26
"VOLUNTEERING TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE"



Message from the Chief

Thank you for taking the time to read our annual report. Snohomish County Fire District 26 prides itself on providing excellent service to the public. I have been a member of the department for the last 30 years. Over that time, I have seen the District grow from a small department that ran 60 calls a year, to a professional department that provides advanced life support from Gold Bar to the top of Stevens Pass. In 2014, we had over 900 calls for service.

The department is part of the community. We value input from the public, in both what do we do right as well as areas that we need to improve. Growing as a department is a core component of our plans for the future.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or comments you may have. My email address is Eandrews@snofire26.org.



Thank You,

Eric Andrews

Fire Chief

Overview of the Department

District 26 provides fire protection and emergency medical services to a 36 square mile area including the City of Gold Bar and the surrounding area. In addition, the district provides Advanced Life Support (Paramedic) service from the City of Gold Bar to the top of Stevens Pass.

The District strives to staff Fire Station 54 with 3 Firefighter/EMTs and one Paramedic, 24 hours a day. Additionally 8 Resident Firefighters live at that station. At Station 53, located in the city, volunteers come from home to respond on emergencies.

As an all hazard department, District 26 responds to all types of emergencies, medical calls, structural and wildland fires, river and cliff rescues and any other incident types. The district also responds to incidents throughout the state through the Washington State Mobilization program.



MISSION

As a department we are committed to respond to calls for service in a safe and professional manner, train and equip ourselves to the highest level and use our resources to support the needs of our community

Organization

Snohomish County Fire District 26 is governed by an elected five member board of Commissioners. In 2014 the board was made up of :

Commissioner Bill Tubbs (Board Chair)

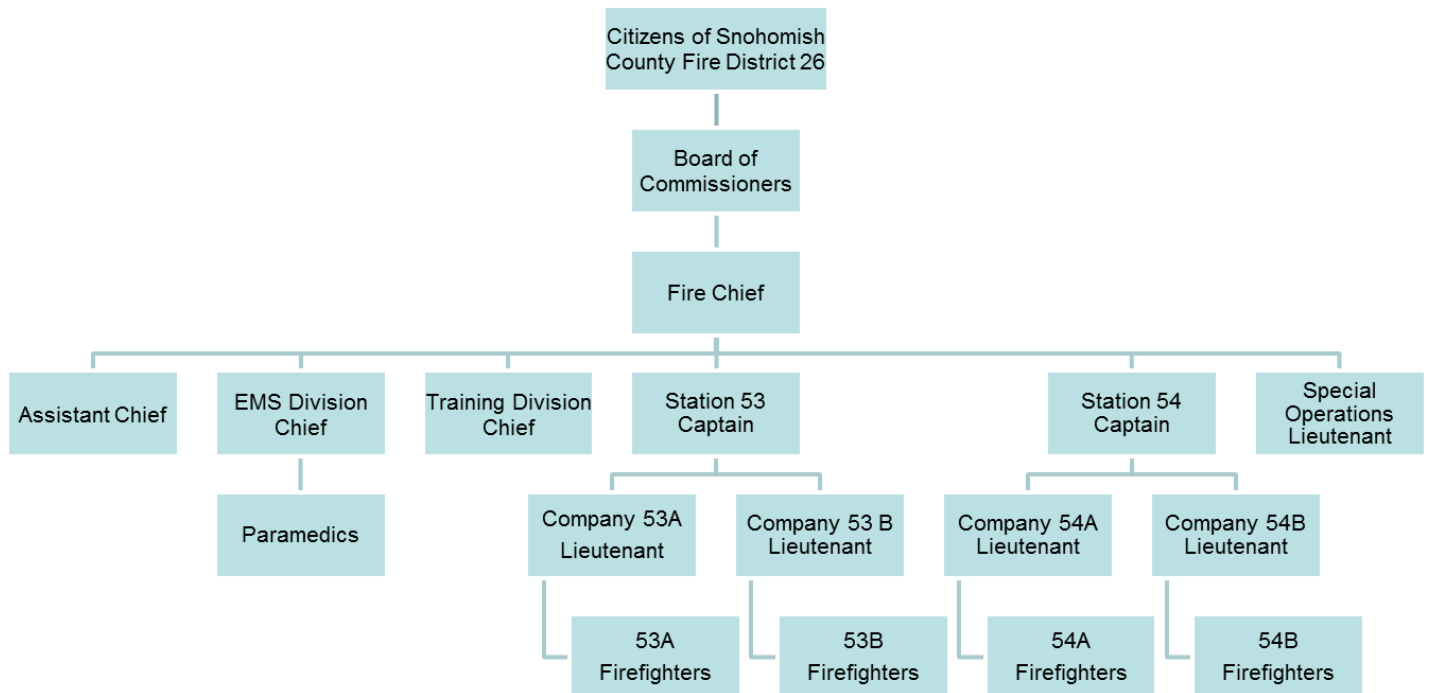
Commissioner Mike Moore (Vice Chair)

Commissioner Glenrose Williams

Commissioner Kate Hayes

Commissioner Burt McClellan (Through May of 2014)

Commissioner Molly Olson (Appointed to fill Commissioner McClellan's seat)



Station 53

501 Lewis Ave
Gold Bar, WA 98251

Apparatus Assigned:

Aid 53

Battalion 53

Brush 53

Chief 53

Engine 53

Medical Services 53

Tender 53

Utility 53



Station 54

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Gold Bar, WA 98251

Apparatus Assigned:

Aid 54

Aid/Medic 54A

Air 54

Boat 54

Brush 54

Brush 54A

Engine 54

Engine 54A

Medic 54

Support 54

Technical Rescue 54

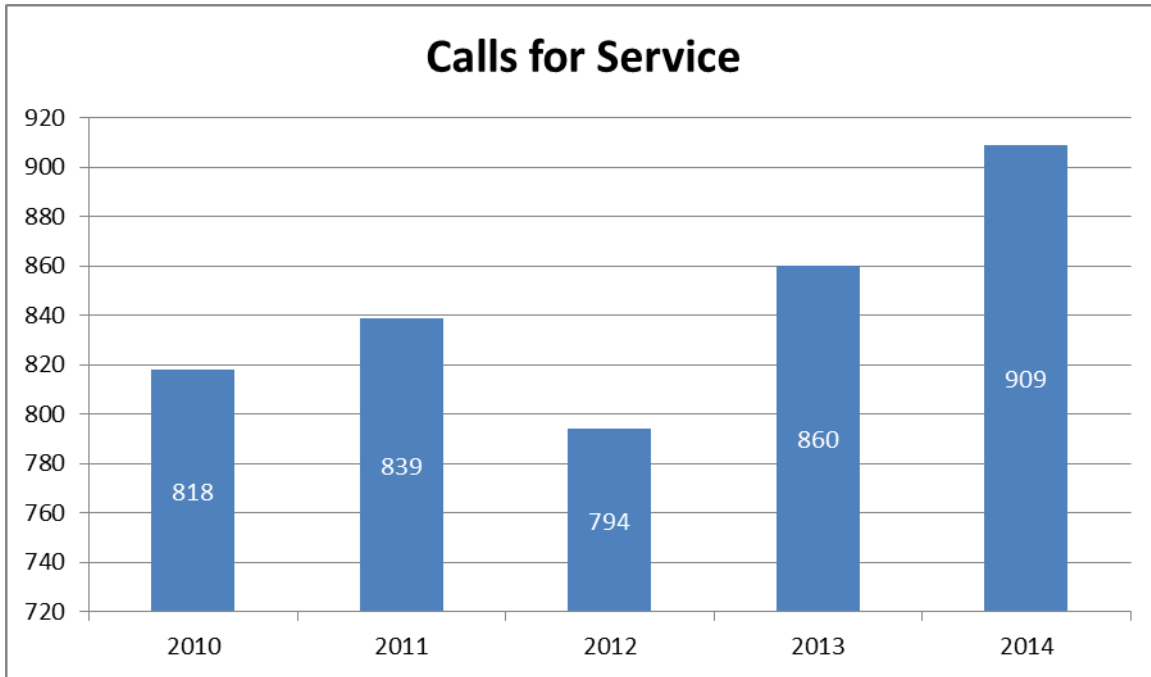
Utility 54

Utility 54A



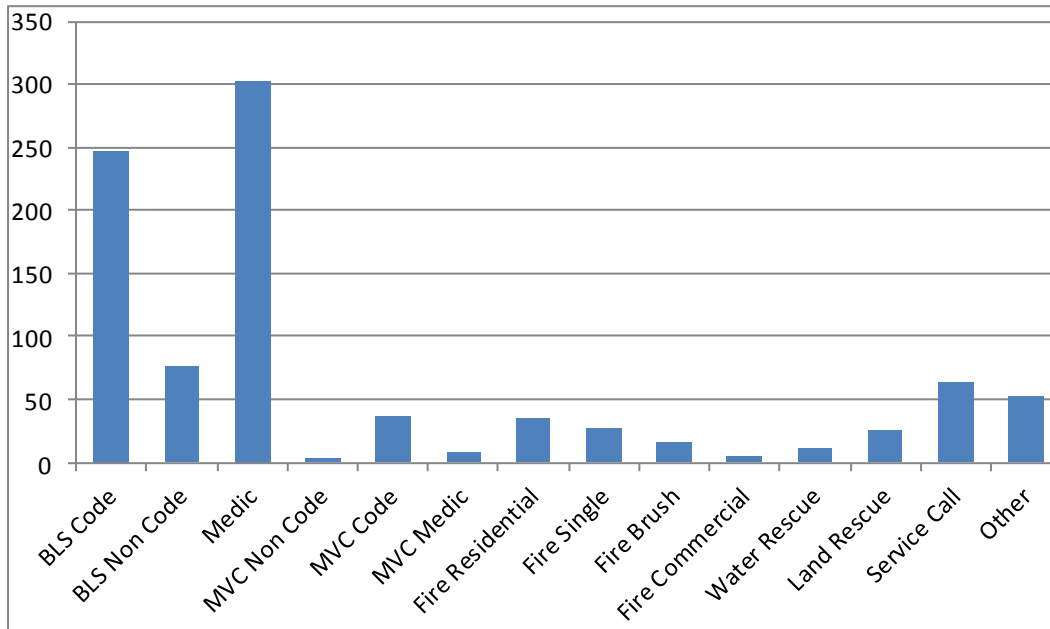
Call Statistics

In 2014, Fire District 26 responded to 874 calls for service. This represents a 5.3% increase from 2013. Over the last five years, there has been an increase of 10% increase in calls for service.

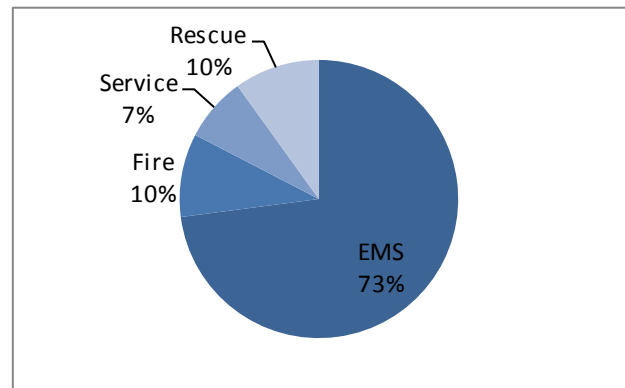


	Calls For Service	Annual Change	% Difference
2010	818	N/A	N/A
2011	839	21	2.5%
2012	794	-45	-5.6%
2013	860	66	7.6%
2014	874	49	5.3%

2014 Volume by type



Type	No. Calls	%
BLS Code	247	29%
BLS Non Code	76	9%
Medic	302	35%
MVC Non Code	4	1%
MVC Code	36	4%
MVC Medic	8	1%
Fire Residential	35	4%
Fire Single	27	3%
Fire Brush	16	2%
Fire Commercial	5	1%
Water Rescue	11	1%
Land Rescue	26	3%
Service Call	64	7%

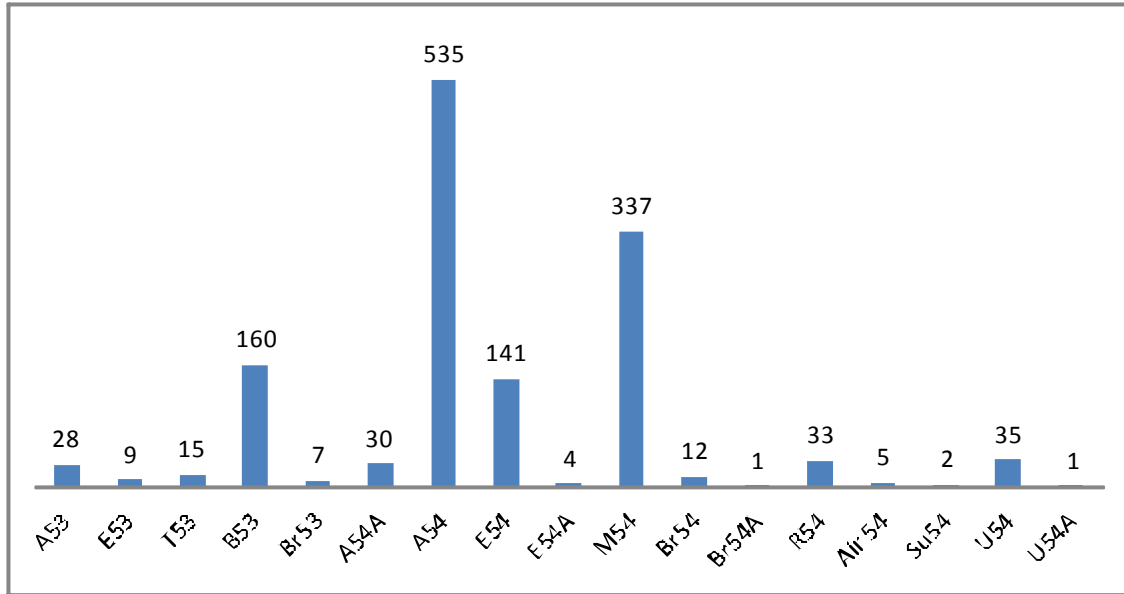


BLS— Basic Life Support

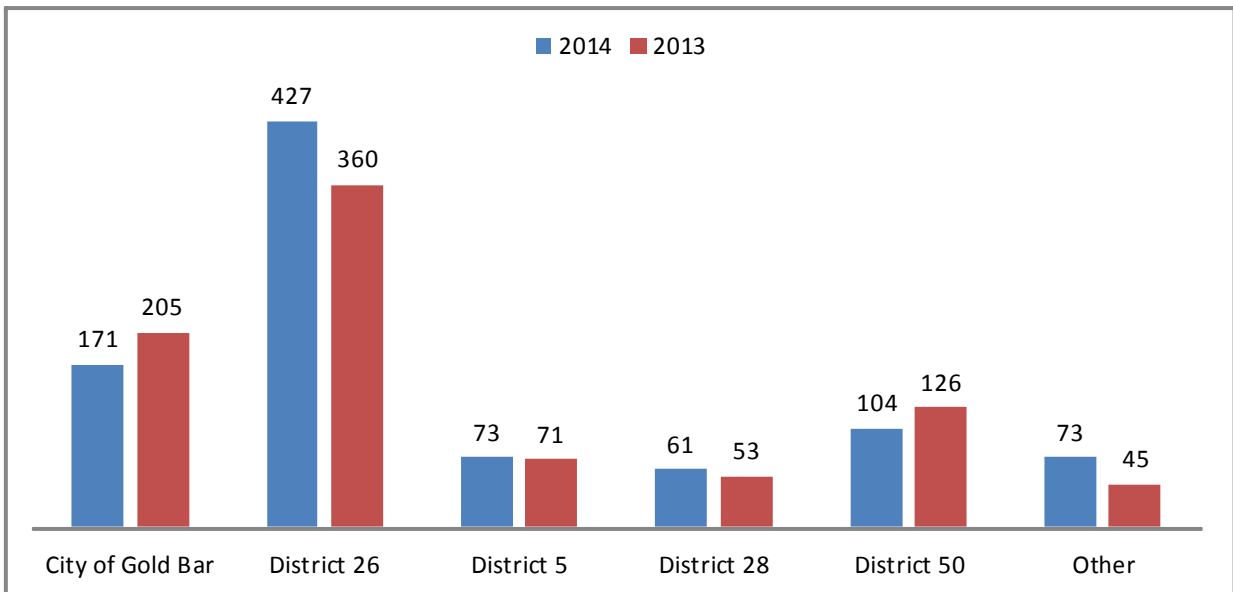
Code— Respond with Lights and Sirens

MVC—Motor Vehicle Collision

2014 Volume By Unit



2014 Volume By Area



Fleet

EMS Fleet:

1996 Ford E-350 Aid Car

2012 Ford E-350 Medic Unit

1999 Ford E-350 Reserve Medic Unit/Aid Car

2003 Ford F-450 4x4 Aid Car

Average age of EMS Fleet: 11.5 Years

Brush Fire Fleet:

2011 F350 Super Duty 4x4

2007 F550 Super Duty 4x4

2007 F550 Super Duty 4x4

Average Age of Brush Fleet: 5 Years

Structural Firefighter Apparatus:

1997 H&W Reserve Fire Engine

2001 American Lafrance Engine

2001 American Lafrance Engine

2001 H&W 3000 Gallon Water Tender

Average age of Structural Fleet: 14 Years

7 Utility, Technical Rescue or
Command Vehicles

Average Age: 7 Years

2008 Phantom Jet Boat

2003 Scott Air Fill Trailer



Through the state purchasing program the district was able to replace a 1995 Ford F250 that served the district well for 19 years with a new 2014 Chevy HD 3500. Statewide purchasing allows for the district to get volume discounts, saving several thousand dollars on a vehicle.

Community Risk Reduction

Snohomish County Fire District 26 is committed to reducing risk to the community through a comprehensive community risk reduction program. In 2014, District instructors continued to teach free CPR classes every other month at Station 53. District 26 also participated in National Night Out in August, EMS week in May and Gold Dust Days with fire prevention education and Monroe Fire's fire education trailer. Crews continue to also hand out and install if needed, free smoke detectors.

SNOPAC, the Dispatch Center the District uses, implemented Smart 9-1-1. Smart 9-1-1 is a system that allows citizens to enter information into a secure website. Medications, allergies, access information, picture of children can all be preloaded and available to 9-1-1 in the event of an emergency. Go to www.smart911.com for more details.

The district contracts with the Snohomish County Fire Marshall's office for all fire prevention inspections as well as investigation of all fires.



Oso Landslide

On March 22, 2014, Snohomish County faced a major tragedy when a mudslide killed 43 people in the community of Oso. Snohomish County Fire District 26 responded with the rest of the county resources to help the communities of Oso and Darrington. District 26 sent swift water trained personnel along with Boat 54 to aid in the search for victims in the flooding caused by the damming of the river by the mud. In addition, the district sent an aid car to help cover other emergencies in the Darrington area. Several District 26 personnel were actively involved in assisting with the Northwest Washington Incident Management Team, who was in charge of coordinating rescue efforts at the incident.



Milestones

Member of the Year

Commissioner Mike Moore

Service Awards

15 Years of Service

Deputy Chief Robin Vargas

EMT Davi Martin

10 Years of Service

EMT Felicia Nelson

Firefighter Carrie Schumacher

5 Years of Service

Firefighter Nathan Larsen

Firefighter Nikolas Smith

New Members

Paramedic Jason Leighty

Firefighter Coles Neves

Firefighter Parker Andrienas

Firefighter Rachel Hall

Firefighter Noah Redfin

EMT Danielle Edwards

EMT Gabriel Arriola

In Memory

The fire district lost two of its long time members in 2014. Commissioner Bert McClellan, passed away May 20, 2014. Bert was a long time member of the department starting in 1988 as a volunteer firefighter with the City of Gold Bar Fire Department. When the two departments merged in 1990, Bert was appointed as one of the two additional commissioners from the City. Bert served as a commissioner until his death in 2014.

Paramedic Les Putnam passed away on September 18, 2014. Les started with Snohomish County Fire District 26 in 2002. Les helped establish the paramedic program for the department. Les also served as a paramedic with King County for 37 years with Evergreen Medic One and Redmond Fire.



Commissioner Bert McClellan

Member

1988-2014



Paramedic Les Putnam

Member

2002-2014