

STAYTON FIRE DISTRICT 2000 ANNUAL REPORT

Serving the
Communities of:
**Marion
Stayton
Mehama
Elkhorn**

Volunteer SERVICE With Pride

THE MISSION of the Stayton Fire District lies in four primary program and performance areas:

1. PREVENTION of injury, loss of life and property from fire and its effects.



2. SUPPRESSION of destructive fire
3. Provision of RESCUE and emergency MEDICAL service.
4. COMMUNITY SUPPORT through public service activities.

The District has been guided by our mission's four points of service for many years and we believe that they will remain our guiding principles for many years to come. We will continue to use technological advancements, innovative ideas and adaptations to do our jobs better, faster and more safely to better enhance the services we provide.

SERVING Through Community Involvement

Stayton Fire District's Staff, Board of Directors and Volunteers are dedicated to providing a wide range of services to our communities. Many of the services provided throughout the year include free blood pressure checks, a smoke detector program, station tours, special events such as Community Breakfasts, Golf Tournament to raise funds for the Oregon Burn Center, Bingo, Toys for Joy and the October Safety Carnival, public CPR and first aid classes, woodstove and facility safety inspections, fire and emergency medical response and rescue, prevention education classes, juvenile fire setter counseling and firefighter support services.



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| Station Tours | 8 |
| Education Programs | |
| Total Audience... | 1224 |
| Fire Safety Event | |
| Total Audience..... | 618 |
| Facility Use by Other Organizations..... | 42 |
| Toys For Joy (toy collection for needy families) | |
| Total Recipients..... | 233 |
| Golf Tournament—Funds Raised for | |
| Oregon Burn Center | \$3500 |

SERVING Through Education



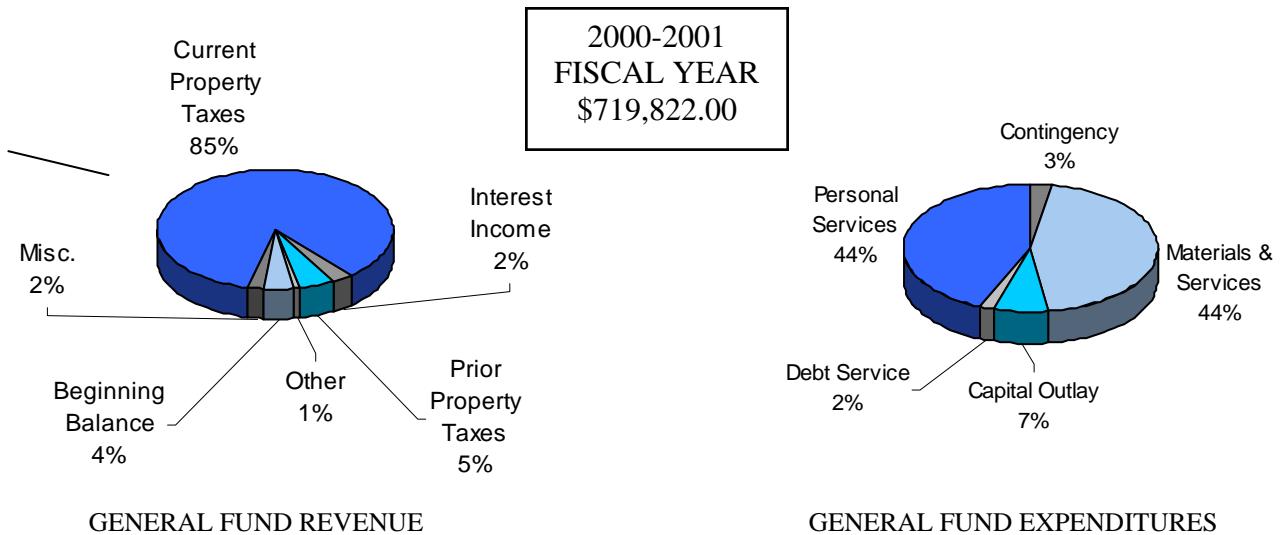
Volunteer Prevention Officer, Gary Cupp instructs School Children in Fire Safety

The Stayton Fire District devotes the entire month of October to promoting fire safety and prevention. Safety Officer, Gary Cupp and Information Officer/ Project Manager, Laura Houston along with several Volunteers and Support personnel visited with school children, provided station tours for civic groups and senior citizens and concluded the month with the annual Hal-

loween Open House. A variety of fun activities and games were available to relay safety and prevention messages to be used at home and recreation.

The Oregon Fire District Directors Association presented the Stayton Fire District with their "Most Innovative Public Safety Program" award for 1999-2000 for the Halloween Open House.

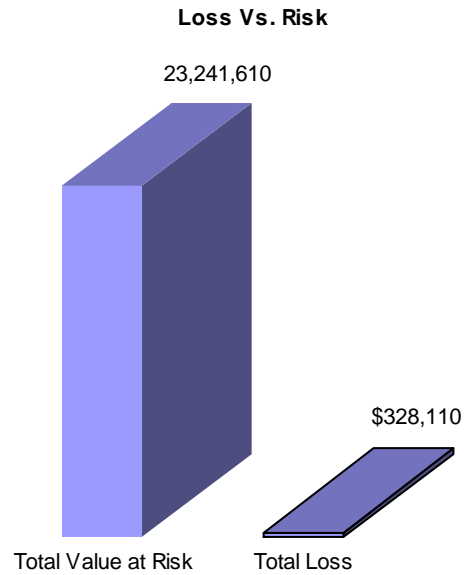
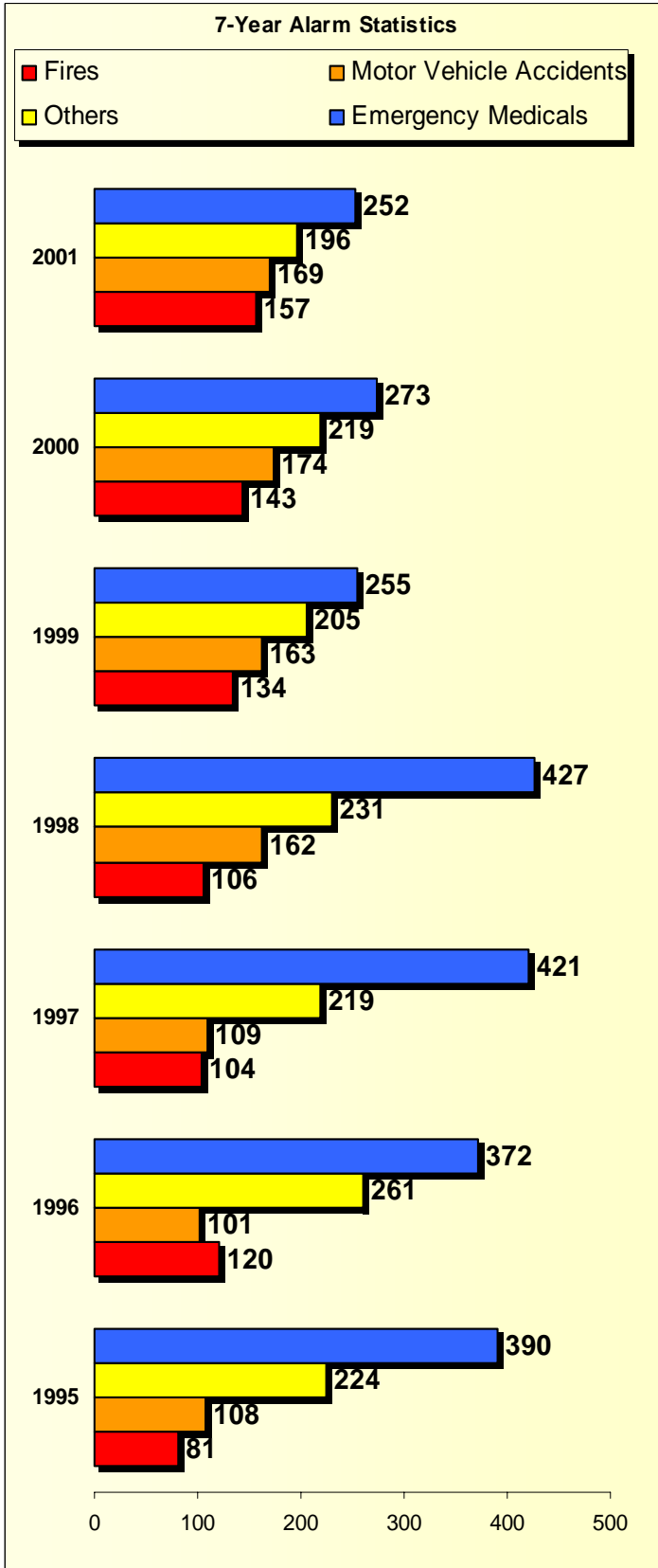
SERVING Through Responsible Fiscal Management



Volunteers Receive Grant For AED: Stayton Fire District Volunteers received a grant for \$3825.00 to purchase an Automatic External Defibrillator (AED) and training unit. The Salem Elks Lodge 336, Madison –Elks Benevolent Foundation awarded the grant. Our emergency medical personnel will use the AED to treat heart attack victims. Statistics have shown that victims have a better chance of survival if defibrillation is done in the first four minutes of a heart attack.

Currently, the District has AED's at its Stayton and Mehama stations. The Marion and Elkhorn stations must rely on the arrival of an ambulance to render defibrillation to patients. We plan to continue to pursue grants and other options in order to provide each station in the District with an AED.

SERVING Through Emergency Response



Disappointments:

During 2000, the District made a concerted effort to present to the public the need for additional funding through a bond measure to accomplish some much needed projects. After meeting with the Volunteers, Chief Tegen summarized the needs and compiled a list of the major issues facing the District. At the top of the list was vehicle replacement, equipment such as radios, CPR training manikins and rescue equipment, complete the training facility and repairing and upgrading existing stations.



Unfortunately, voters again turned thumbs down on the bond issue during the November election. The issue failed by a slim margin of 106 votes out of a total 5029 cast.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

- ⌘ District and its EMS personnel receive the EMS Unit Citation from the State EMS Division for its work at the deck collapse incident on the Little North Fork in 1999.
- ⌘ Participated as part of a task force sent to Prineville to help save the Marks Creek Lodge from a conflagration know as The Hash Rock Fire.
- ⌘ Sponsored a very successful Golf Tournament at the Elkhorn Golf course and raised \$3000 to go to the Oregon Burn Center who treats burn victims from our area.
- ⌘ Revised our Respiratory Protection Program following the oxygen explosion incident in 1999.

GOALS FOR THE NEAR FUTURE:

- ◆ The *top goal* of the District is to complete our much needed training facility that has been an on going project for several years.
- ◆ Complete the computerization network of the District's four fire stations.
- ◆ Fully develop the District's web site to afford citizens access to vital information about the District.
- ◆ Become more energy conscious to limit energy consumption and rising costs.
- ◆ Become better prepared for mass casualty incidents involving an act of terrorism or mass transportation.
- ◆ Design a minimum response standard while attempting to address the serious issue of recruiting and maintaining of volunteers.
- ◆ With the tax limitations firmly in place, we must find ways of maintaining service levels within these limitations
- ◆ We will try to take advantage of every grant program we become aware of to help with the tax limitations on equipment.
- ◆ Develop a well-trained Officer corps to lead the dedicated volunteers during disasters.
- ◆ Outfit a new/used master tender.



SERVING As A Volunteer

Volunteers are the ‘backbone’ of the Fire District. The Volunteer in the Stayton Fire District is a trained and respected part-time professional firefighter. They are your neighbors. They are fathers and mothers. They are teachers, farmers, paramedics, salespersons and homemakers.



Outstanding Achievements Deserve Recognition YEAR 2000 AWARD RECIPIENTS



Fire Fighter of the Year
Taunie Stites



Medic of the Year
Steve Ward



Rookie of the Year
Ruben Sisto



Officer Of the Year
Doug Kintz

District Says Goodbye to Beloved “MOM”



Heartstrings were stretched when Teri “Mom” van Wagner stated she would be leaving the Stayton Fire District to spend time with her family after serving nearly eight years as it’s Administrative Secretary. Teri always gave first-class customer service to everyone that she came in contact with.

Beyond the high standards she set for customer service, there was a sense of caring for the District members as well. She offered that motherly instinct and care and has been a real partner in the operation of the District.

Training—



Together
Everyone
Achieves
More!

2000 District Board of Directors

President Richard Morley
Director L.Jay Myers
Director Gene Coles
Director Ray W. Porter
Director Michael Odenthal, appointed
to fill Director Kelly Benefiel's position .

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The Oregon State Fire Marshal's Office and the Residential Fire Safety Institute presented Stayton Fire District with the "***Fire Safe Station Award***" in October, 2000 for demonstrating leadership in fire safety and concern for the lives of its firefighters and personnel by installing sprinklers in its Headquarters.