

CRYSTAL PARK FIRE DEPARTMENT JULY 2014 MONTHLY UPDATE

1. **Incidents**: There were 13 toned out incidents in July. Three incidents were for move up/cover assignments; seven other calls were for smoke investigations in the foothills between Crystal Park and Manitou Springs, and three other.

2. Grant Update: Still waiting to hear on the VFA wildfire grant

3. Training:

A. July monthly training was scaled to train three new members on hose/engine operations. In August we will prepare for a motor vehicle accident along the main road; as this is a 'back-to-school' possibility for our younger drivers in the park.

B. EMT Training: Still waiting on two EMT's to take their national certification test.

4. Apparatus: All apparatus are operational.

5. **Membership update:** Still waiting on the ARC recommendation on an out-of-district applicant

6. Broken Arrow Update: Nothing add'l to report.

7. Equipment: All SCBA bottles passed hydro-static testing. We will reconfigure our day to day operations back to 60 min bottles, and place some of the bottles from Manitou Fire as training/back-ups

8. **Budget**: I would like to focus next year on safety and outfitting our department with the 'little things' that make a difference for the members. i.e. Gear Bags – we have some members carrying around 3 sets of PPE. We need to buy 20 gear bags. We have one member whose feet are so small – we do not have the right size footwear for her. We need to buy accountability tags for each member, so that on scene we have a safe procedure for managing all members. Everyone should have a duty 511 duty uniform for functions and non-emergency calls.