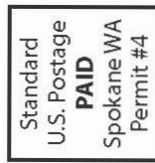


District 4's 2023 Incidents

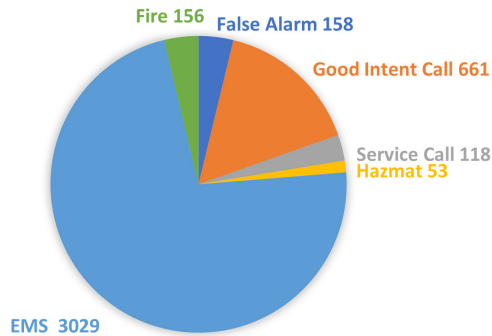
- 73 percent (3029 responses) of the District's total responses are Rescue & Emergency Medical Service Incidents (medical emergency, trauma, and motor vehicle accidents).
- 16 percent (661 responses) Good Intent Calls (dispatched and canceled en-route, no incident found).
- 4 percent (158 responses) False Alarm & False Call (alarm system sounding, smoke and carbon monoxide detector activation).
- 4 percent (156 responses) Fire Related Incidents (building, cooking, chimney, wildland, and vehicles fires).
- 2 percent (118 responses) Service Call (water evacuation, lock-outs).
- 1 percent (53 responses) Hazardous Condition (fuel spills, power-line down).
- 2024 Call Volume to date is 1834



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2023 INCIDENT SUMMARY



315 E. Crawford St.
Deer Park, WA 99006
Website: www.scfd4.org

2024 August
Primary Levy Lid Lift
Election Information
www.scfd4.org
509-467-4500

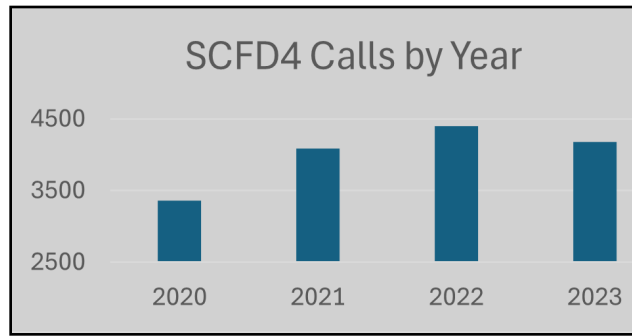
A Message from Your Citizen's Advisory Committee

The Citizen's Advisory Committee was established to provide periodic feedback on matters related to funding and service levels of the Fire District. The Citizen's Advisory Committee is composed of residents of Spokane County Fire District 4. We live in different areas of the Fire District and have diverse backgrounds and interest. All of us share an active interest in the continued and improved vital services provided by the Fire District. We help maintain a staffing plan with qualified, competent firefighters and EMTs that are equipped with functional and efficient equipment.

The District's Board of Commissioners has determined, with public input and advice from the Citizen's Advisory Committee, that restoring the levy collection amount is a necessary step to maintain goals for service, staffing, equipment, and facilities in light of rising costs, population growth, and demand for service. Approval of this election will allow the District to maintain and enhance the level of fire protection and emergency medical services provided to its citizens. We all need to know that the fire fighting and emergency medical services team will arrive at the scene of an emergency in a timely response, with maintained equipment and trained personnel.

The most effective method to provide the funds needed to meet the current and future operational requirements of our Fire District is through passage of a Levy Lid Lift Proposition.

Thank you from the Citizens Advisory Committee.



Why are we asking for this?

Revenue from our fire levy is not keeping up with higher call volumes and costs to provide service. Our call volumes have increased 24 percent since 2020. The cost to deliver emergency services has increased an average of 7.5 percent per year



Increase in Costs	2018	2023
Firefighter Coat and Jacket	\$1,868	\$3,629
Fire Engine	\$207,605	\$577,965
Insurance	\$85,051	\$129,144
Fuel	\$105,233	\$146,484

What will the lid lift fund?

- ◊ Additional fire/EMS personnel to respond to calls
- ◊ Replace a fire engine/ladder used for structural fire suppression
- ◊ Replace three "urban interface engines" used for both structural and wildfire suppression
- ◊ Remodel Station 47 to accommodate personnel and seasonal firefighters



How are we funded?

SCFD4's Fire Levy funds 70 percent of our total budget. The EMS Levy accounts for the remaining 30 percent of our revenue. In 2021, our fire levy rate was \$1.50. Since then, the rate has eroded to \$1.16.



What will be on my ballot?

We are asking for a \$0.34 lid lift, which would restore the fire levy rate to \$1.50 per \$1,000 on the August 6, 2024, primary election.

Home Value	Monthly Cost @ 1.16 (current levy amount)	Monthly Cost @ 1.50	Monthly difference
\$350,000	\$33.83	\$43.75	\$9.92
\$400,000	\$38.67	\$50.00	\$11.33
\$450,000	\$43.50	\$56.25	\$12.75
\$500,000	\$48.33	\$62.50	\$14.17