



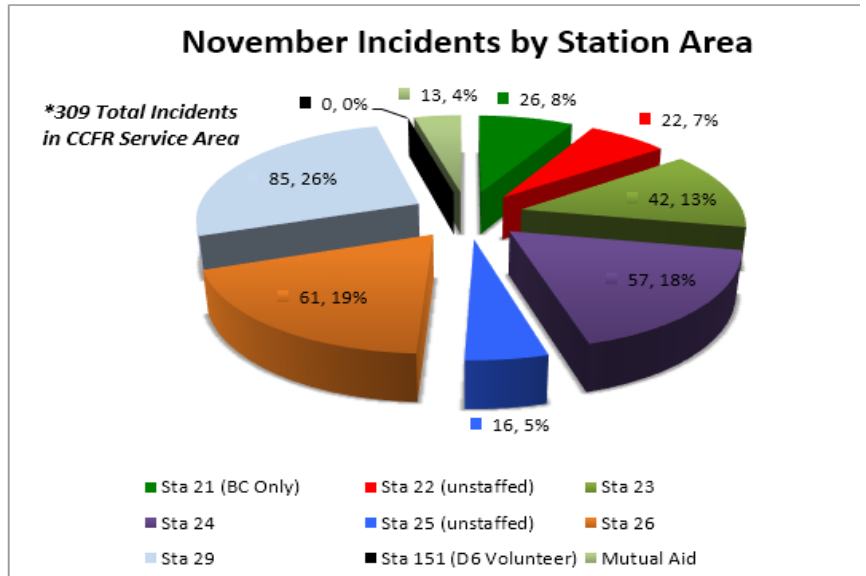
# Monthly Report

**To:** Commissioners  
**From:** Chief John Nohr  
**Date:** December 7<sup>th</sup>, 2016  
**Re:** November Report

## STRATEGIC PLANNING:

CCF&R held its fourth and final strategic planning workshop on November 7<sup>th</sup>. The group worked diligently to produce 61 Action Items to help us achieve our 12

major goals and three Strategic Imperatives. The plan is now in draft form and is being formatted in preparation for final printing. The 2017-2019 CCF&R Strategic Plan will be presented to the Board of Commissioners for approval at the January 12th meeting. CCF&R would like to thank all of the citizens, elected officials, and employees who help create our new plan.



## Woodland Station Update

The Woodland City Council approved an additional \$500,000 bonding to complete the first phase of the replacement Woodland Station. The bid has been awarded and contract drafted for the construction. The new fire station will be located on Scott Avenue, next to the Woodland Police Department. Construction will begin with site work in early December with substantial completion anticipated by early summer. The construction of the new fire station will allow us to vacate the 100 Davidson location and improve living and working conditions for crews in Woodland.

## SERIES OF NOTABLE INCIDENTS KEEPS CREWS BUSY

CCF&R crews responded to a several unusual incidents over a short period last month. In the early morning hours of November 22, crews responded to a reported house fire in Woodland. Upon arrival, the first unit knocked down flames coming from the front door area and initiated a search for occupants. Once inside, firefighters discovered a deceased individual and an obvious crime scene. Crews withdrew from the structure after ensuring the fire was fully extinguished and turned the scene over to Law Enforcement for further investigation. Later that same day at around 8 PM, crews responded to a structure fire north of La Center where the occupant had set fire to the house while remaining inside with the intent of causing herself harm. The occupant had access to firearms and had

made threats prior to starting the fire. CCF&R crews worked with a Clark County Sheriff's Deputy to ensure the scene was safe before entering the structure. The home was filled with dense, black smoke and crews were forced to search under adverse conditions before finding and removing the victim to safety. The occupant was transported to the hospital for evaluation and treatment. Finally, on November 27 crews responded to a roll-over motor vehicle crash on I-5 at the Port of Entry scale house. As the patient was being extricated from the vehicle, he told firefighters that he had just killed someone and was attempting to escape. Crews passed this information on to Law Enforcement officer who confirmed that the patient had actually been involved in a recent murder. In addition to these incidents, CCF&R crews responded to 306 other calls for service in November.

**CCF&R ASSIST DURING A MEDICAL EMERGENCY WHILE OFF DUTY**

Captain Scott Galster and Volunteer Firefighter Zach Galster were attending a football game at Woodland High School when they were requested by bystanders to a medical patient in the stands. They assisted in preparing the patient for Advanced Life Support (ALS) care and maintaining the patient's airway with the Basic Life Support (BLS) crew on scene. Follow up showed that the patient had an aneurysm that was successfully treated. The willingness of Capt. Galster and FF Galster to quickly assess and assist the patient likely contributed to a positive outcome of the event.

**CCF&R EMPLOYEE RECEIVES FINANCIAL CERTIFICATION**

Finance Specialist Kathy Streissguth recently attained certification as a Certified Public Finance Officer (CFPO). To obtain certification, a candidate must pass a series of five examinations covering the major disciplines of public finance. Once enrolled, a candidate has seven years to complete all classes and exams. In addition, once the CPFO designation is earned the employees must participate in 30 hours of continuing professional education per year. There are now only 6 people holding the certification in Washington and just over 400 active certified personnel nationwide. Congratulations Kathy!

