FIRE DEPARTMENT

TOWN OF SANDOWN PO BOX 1756, SANDOWN, N.H. 03873



The Sandown Fire Department would like to report that during the past year the number of calls was just over 500. Please have your chimneys cleaned at least once a year and make sure your address is visible from the road. Smoke detector batteries should be changed every 6 months, smoke detectors have a life span of only 10 years. Carbon monoxide detectors only have a life span of approximately 5 years unless otherwise stated on the package. If yours are older they should be changed.

Last year we updated our Life Pack Defibrillator (Cardiac Monitor). We acquired a retired Sandown Police SUV at no cost. This vehicle will serve as a staff car/command car. During this past fall we had a major plumbing leak on one side of the department over a weekend. Fire members quickly cleaned and removed the standing water. Clean-up crews were called in to mitigate the problem before any mold problems happened. The reconstruction has been finished.

Last year we hosted a grant with Hampstead, Danville and Plaistow for the replacement of our outdated portable and mobile radios. We were not approved for the grant last year. We are trying again this year with the other three towns. The capital reserve fund will make this possible while still putting monies away for a future replacement of a thirty-year-old engine about four to five years down the road.

The more than thirty members, both Firefighters and EMT's taking time away from their families and donating their time to the Volunteer Fire Department is a great asset to this town and is something we are very proud of.

Thank you for all your help and support.

Respectfully submitted

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