



Fire Department Briefs

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FEMA GRANT -Fire Department received a FEMA grant to purchase personal protective equipment (PPE) which will be used to protect EMS crews against infectious diseases. The grant is timely as EMS crews continue to see an increase of COVID cases in our community.

COVID VACCINATION -Fire administration has been working with area public health organizations in regard to upcoming COVID vaccination planning. More information to follow as vaccination distribution plans develop.

HEATING SAFETY - Heat is the second leading cause of U.S. home fires, deaths, and injuries, and December through February are the peak months for heating fires. The term “heating fires” applies to fires caused by central heating units, fixed or portable local heating units, fireplaces, heating stoves, chimneys, and water heaters. Please take these precautions to help prevent heating fires in your home:

- Keep anything that can burn at least three-feet from all heat sources, and label the three-feet area a “kid-free zone”.
- Never use an oven to heat your home.
- Turn space heaters off when leaving the room or going to bed.
- Always use the right kind of fuel for fuel burning space heaters.
- Maintain heating equipment and chimneys by having them cleaned and inspected each year by a professional.
- Test smoke alarms at least once a month.