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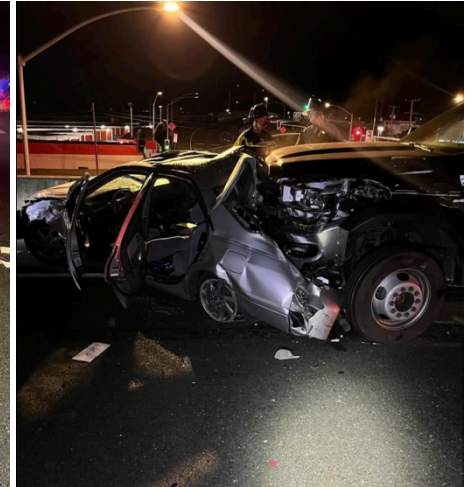
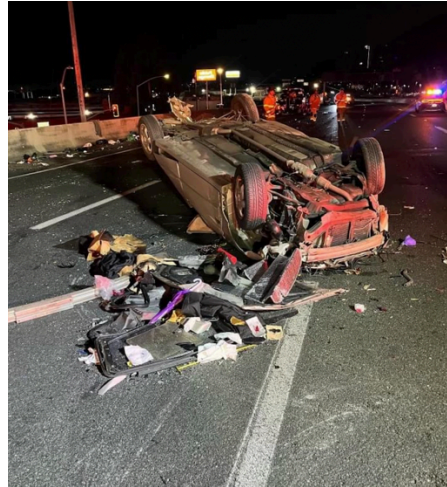
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DATE: May, 2024
TO: Tim Barry: General Manager
FROM: Eric Saylor: Fire Chief
RE: **Fire Chief's Report for the May 2024 Fire District Board Meeting**

Operations

E51 responded to a four-car accident on westbound I-80. One vehicle flipped onto its roof, and the patient needed extrication. The crew from E51 provided ALS care to the patient and assisted with the transportation to the hospital. Every Type 1 engine and truck in Kensington carries extrication equipment and a paramedic to ensure a high quality of patient care during vehicle accidents.



Administration

Captain David Ciappara completed the next Local Hazard mitigation plan phase, outlining the specific hazards to Kensington in the Annex, and started the public outreach process. The Local (Multi-Jurisdiction) Hazard Mitigation Plan is a partnership with cities and special districts within the county to assess the risk of floods, drought, wildfires, severe weather, and other natural hazards of concern to the county. Special districts are considered local governments and must have an approved plan to be eligible for particular Hazard Mitigation Assistance and High Hazard Potential Dam Grant Program funding. Special districts such as Kensington are considered local governments and must have an approved plan to be eligible for particular Hazard Mitigation Assistance and federal funding.

Contra Costa County

Local Hazards

As part of the Local Hazard Mitigation Plan (LHMP) Contra Costa County identified 21 natural and human-caused hazards. The top three were:

- Earthquakes
- Wildfires
- Landslides

Learn more about the hazards in your area and what actions are being planned to mitigate them in the 2024 LHMP Update.

GET INVOLVED IN THE PLAN!

- ✓ Read the plan
- ✓ Share your feedback
- ✓ Share what you learned

Scan to learn more!



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Training

The joint El Cerrito and Richmond Fire Academy stopped by station 52 during their morning run to pay their respects to the current firefighters and citizens. The fire academy is a fourteen-week academy that introduces new employees to tactics, strategies, and science of fighting fire and rescuing victims. There is a house fire every 43 seconds in the United States. On average, in every 3000 house fires, a live victim is removed by a firefighter. On average, in every 80,000 house fires, a firefighter dies trying to rescue a victim. The academy is the first line of defense for the fire services to lower our fatality rate.



Public Outreach

Engine 51 visited Korematsu Middle School to assist with the federal TRIO Program at UC Berkeley. The Federal TRIO Programs (TRIO) are Federal outreach and student services programs designed to identify and provide services for individuals from disadvantaged backgrounds. TRIO includes eight programs targeted to serve and assist low-income individuals, first-generation college students, and individuals with disabilities to progress through the academic pipeline from middle school to postbaccalaureate programs.



Fire prevention officer Crumpacker was featured on KECG Radio Station (88.1 FM). Captain Crumpacker answered questions about firefighting and public safety while being interviewed by the student broadcasting team. The fire department uses many modes of communication for public outreach and education, including site visits, printed material, social media, and radio when available. Captain Crumpacker did a great job spreading our mission of protecting lives and property.



Mission: Protect Lives and Property
Integrity Accountability Teamwork Respect Professionalism