

COACHELLA CITY FIRE DEPARTMENT

QUARTERLY REPORT

JANUARY - MARCH 2020



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ADMINISTRATION
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1. Battalion Chief – Bonifacio De La Cruz
2. Administrative Assistant – Marisa Duran

STATION 79
1377 SIXTH STREET
COACHELLA, CA 92236
(760) 398-8895

Engine Company 79

1. Fire Captain – Marcos Machuca
2. Fire Captain – Johnny Garcia
3. Fire Captain – Juan Arroyo
4. Fire Apparatus Engineer – Tommy Lemus
5. Firefighter Apparatus Engineer/Paramedic – Richard Solorzano
6. Firefighter II/Paramedic – Michael Gonzales
7. Firefighter II/Paramedic – Joshua Brann
8. Firefighter II/Paramedic – Fredy Cruz

TRUCK 86
46-990 JACKSON ST.
INDIO, CA 92201
(760) 347-0726

Truck Company

1. Fire Captain – Brent Norwine
2. Fire Captain – Dave Hudson
3. Fire Captain – Darrel Anderson
4. Fire Apparatus Engineer – Noah Dimuccio
5. Fire Apparatus Engineer – Bryan Rowe
6. Fire Apparatus Engineer – Alfonso Moreno
7. Firefighter II – Chris Meneses
8. Firefighter II – Travis Ames
9. Firefighter II – Matt Adams
10. Firefighter II/PM – Kyle Wilmore
11. Firefighter II/PM – Andrew Barbosa
12. Firefighter II/PM – Sean Mc Chesney

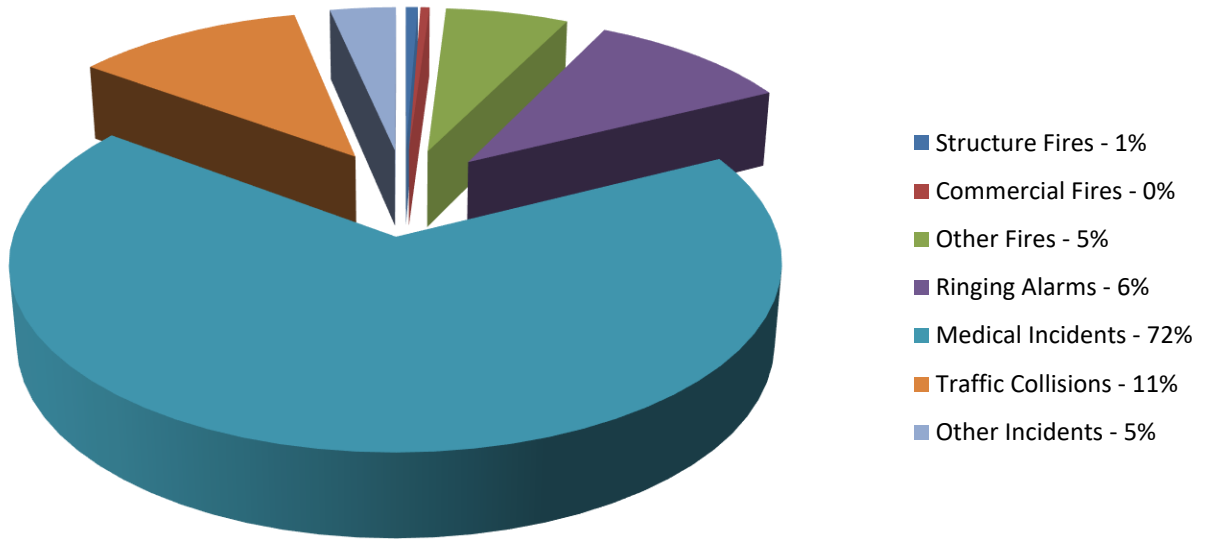
YEAR END RESPONSE REPORT
JANUARY 1, 20210 – MARCH 31, 2020

	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH	YTD (CITY OF COACHELLA)
STRUCTURE FIRES	1	4	1	6
COMMERCIAL FIRES	0	1	1	2
OTHER FIRES	12	18	10	40
RINGING/FALSE ALARMS	11	19	18	48
MEDICAL INCIDENTS	171	196	179	546
TRAFFIC COLLISIONS	21	24	16	61
OTHER INCIDENTS	10	12	11	33
TOTAL	226	274	236	736

RESPONSE TIMES

	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH	YTD (CITY OF COACHELLA)
AVERAGE RESPONSE TIMES (MINUTES)	4.4	4.3	5.0	4.5
% OF CALLS ON SCENE IN 5 MINUTES OR LESS	77%	73%	67%	72%

**Coachella Fire Department Response Totals
January - March 2020
Total of 736**



SIGNIFICANT EVENT

2/16/20 – Fire Units from Coachella, Indio, and La Quinta responded to a commercial structure fire at 83-053 Avenue 48. As units arrived at the Neighborhood Walmart, they found two separate trash bins involved with fire. One fiberglass bin was burning against the front wall of the store causing a glass window to break. Although the fires were easily extinguished, moderate amounts of smoke had entered the interior of the store causing soot and smoke to contaminate perishables and other store merchandise. There was no extension of fire into the building and no injuries were reported. Update - the store manager estimated a loss of \$1.6 million dollars' worth of merchandise and food items. Total saved was \$5,000,000.00. In coordination with Environmental Health, the store will remain closed for cleanup and restock.

2/22/20 – Fire Units from Indio, Thousand Palms, and California Highway Patrol were dispatched to a reported Commercial Vehicle Fire West Bound Interstate 10 at Mile Marker 63. First arriving Battalion Chief arrived to report a semi-truck well involved in fire, on the right shoulder with no threat to the nearby vegetation. Both lanes of West Bound traffic were closed for approximately 30 minutes while fire crews worked on suppressing the fire. Once the fire was contained and it was safe to do, one lane of traffic was reopened. Firefighters remained on scene for 1.5hrs due to extensive overhaul. Total Loss: \$200,000.00 Total Saved: \$0.00

2/24/20 – Fire units from Coachella, Indio, La Quinta, Thermal, Thousand Palms, and Riverside County Sheriff's responded to a residential structure fire at 53-186 Shady Lane. Upon arrival, firefighters find an outdoor shed well ablaze in the back yard of the residence. Firefighters contained the fire to the shed structure with contents and a portion of the home's wooden patio roof. No injuries were reported and no extension of fire into the residence was found. Total Loss: \$5,000.00 Total Saved: \$300,000.00

2/27/20 – Fire units from Coachella, Indio, La Quinta, and Thermal responded to a residential structure fire at 84-526 Rodrejo Street. Upon arrival firefighters found a 2-story, single family dwelling with smoke and flames coming from the yard. Firefighters located an outside wooden shed along with propane tanks and active cooking equipment well engulfed with fire. Window and heat/smoke damage occurred to one side of the residence, however firefighters did not detect any extension of fire into the residence. Displacements were not needed and no injuries were reported. Total Loss: \$5,00.00 Total Saved: \$300,000.00

2/28/20 – Fire units from Coachella, Indio, La Quinta, Thermal, Thousand Palms, and Riverside County Sheriff's responded to a residential structure fire at 84-080 Bella Roma Lane. Once units arrived at a 1,411 square-foot single-story single-family dwelling, they found moderate smoke building up inside the attached garage. Firefighters contained the fire to contents within the garage however smoke damage and flooding from water sprinkler activation occurred throughout the house. All occupants had escaped the fire and no injuries were reported. Total Loss: \$100,000.00 Total Saved: \$175,000.00

3/30/20 – Fire units from Coachella, Indio, Thousand Palms and California Highway Patrol responded to a reported commercial big rig fire East Bound Interstate 10, approximately 4 miles East of Dillon Road. First arriving Battalion Chief Reported one commercial semi-truck well involved in fire, on the right shoulder with extension into the trailer. The trailer was a 53' box fully packed with residential household products packaged in plastic storage crates. Overhaul was extensive due to limited water and plastic storage crates melted together. Estimated loss was roughly \$125,000 for the semi-truck and \$175,000 for the products in the trailer. Due to the limited access both lanes of East Bound I-10 were closed for about 45 minutes so Firefighters could safely work on suppressing the fire. Firefighters remained on scene for an additional 4hrs for overhaul while working with CAL TRANS and their heavy equipment. There were no injuries reported to either Firefighters or Civilians. Total Saved: \$0.00

Administrative Reports

ADMINISTRATION

Administration continues to keep busy scheduling business inspections/re-inspections as well as station tours and fire prevention presentations at various local schools/businesses. Clerical administration duties continue to audit and reconcile the station's Data/Response Records as well as overhaul files and recordkeeping systems. Clerical administrative duties have continued to look for ways to improve office efficiency and customer service and looks forward to attending upcoming training sponsored by the County of Riverside.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

1/9/20 – Coachella Firefighters hosted the Kindergarten students of Peter Pendleton Elementary School for a fire station tour. **(See photos below)**



2/26/20 – Firefighters, city staff, and locals attended the Senior Center Ribbon Cutting Ceremony. (See photos below)



FIRE PREVENTION

2/25/20 – Coachella City Firefighters along with Riverside County Fire Public Information Officers conducted a Fire Education program at Valley View Elementary School.
(See photos below)



The Coachella Fire Department continues to assist the public with code inquiries; conducts hazard reduction inspections and assists Code Enforcement with issues within the city. In closing, our Engine Company personnel continue to conduct multiple inspections and re-inspections helping keep local businesses up to code.

EXPLORER ACTIVITY REPORT COACHELLA CITY JANUARY - MARCH 2020

1/23/20 – Explorer Post Advisor, Firefighter/Paramedic Michael Gonzales takes his recruiting team to the Riverside County Education Charter Academy School for a presentation on how to become a part of Explorer Post 679. (See photos below)

