

City of McCleary
STAFF REPORT



To:	Mayor Miller and Council
From:	Fire Chief Andrew Pittman
Date:	December 1, 2024
Department:	Fire Department

Hello all,

Its that time of year, again where the Firefighters Association will be taking our special guest around town to collect food and donations to support our foodbank and local families. Our annual Santa run will take place **Saturday December 21** starting at 4PM. We hope to see you all out supporting our community!

The Firefighter’s association was able to participate in the country Christmas bazaar this year providing photos with a special guest. This raised over \$1200 for our firefighter stair climb team which will be participating in the Leukemia & Lymphoma firefighter stair climb challenge in March 2025.

Call numbers were not available for the month of November, but we did have a noteworthy response last month which involved the Fire Department, City Public works, Grays Harbor 911, Grays Harbor Emergency Management, and Department Of Ecology.

On November 16th the department was dispatched to oil reported in the alley between Simpson avenue and Simpson mill. We arrived on scene to find a large oil slick and oil solids in the drainage ditch and across the alley. We immediately deployed oil absorbent socks and created dams in the ditch to slow and capture the oil and solids. We utilized absorbent pads as well as oil dry media to help mitigate the oil. We made our proper notifications and called for public works assistance with the scene as well as for more materials. We were able to absorb much of the oil with public works cleaning up the items used the next business day. The scene was turned over to the Department of Ecology due to the amount of oil that was discharged and possible impact on waterways. I would like to thank all the agencies and departments involved.

Thank you for the opportunity and Stay Safe,

Fire Chief Andrew Pittman