Community Safety Services

2015 Core Budget



CORE SERVICES

Bylaw Enforcement

- compliance with municipal regulatory bylaws;
- review and development of policies and regulations;
- complaint management;
- public education & awareness of municipal regulations to encourage voluntary compliance.

Building Inspections

- ensuring compliance with Provincial Building Code Guidelines thereby ensuring integrity of building construction;
- compliance with municipal bylaws;
- inspections related to business licencing.



Emergency Management

- administered by the Emergency Program Manager;
- maintains and updates emergency plans and procedures;
- coordinates training courses and exercises for staff and volunteers;
- maintains supplies and equipment for EOC;
- oversees three volunteer components: Emergency Social Services, Emergency Radio Communications and Neighbourhood Emergency Preparedness Program;
- represents the Township at regional and Provincial meetings



Esquimalt Fire Rescue

- Fire Suppression Minimum of One Engine and a 105' aerial with a five person response. Additional Engine and Battalion Chief upon Mutual Aid request and department all call
- First Response Medical Aid in conjunction with the BC Ambulance Service
- Support and Rescue (Confined Space Rescue) motor vehicle accidents, confined space, fall restraint, tower crane, low angle and shoreline water rescue
- CRD Hazardous Materials Response confinement and cleanup of minor spills and assessment and callout of specialized crews for major spills through CRD Regional HAZMAT team of which we have 4 members trained to the Technician level
- Public Service and Education available to assist residents with a variety of requests

Proactive Activities

- Commercial, Educational and Multi Unit Inspections: conducted by in-service platoons to ensure compliance with the Fire Safety Code and Bylaws
- Pre-Plans: quick access and floor plans for arriving engine companies using recently installed IPad Technology
- Plan Review: all new and renovated buildings that require a building permit undergo a plan review
- Fire Investigations: all fires are investigated by certified fire investigators
- Community Education and event liaison: through the Learn Not to Burn, Commercial Cooking, CPR, Fire Extinguisher and Open House programs



Mutual Aid

 The existing Mutual Aid Agreement with the Department of National Defense was utilized on 8 occasions in 2014. In addition, the agreements with Saanich, Victoria and Oak Bay remain in effect. Automatic aid exists for all department response to confirmed structure fires seven storeys and greater.



Victoria Police Department

 Community Safety Services acts as liaison to the Victoria Police Department and monitors the implementation and effectiveness of the Policing Framework Agreement.



STAFFING

Community Safety Services (CSS)= 27.7 FTE's:

- Director of CSS
- Senior Plumbing and Building Inspector
- Emergency Program Manager
- Bylaw Management Officer
- Fire Chief
- 2 Assistant Fire Chiefs
- 20 Firefighters
- .7 Administrative Assistant



Applicable Strategic Priorities

- Unsightly Properties
- Business Continuity Plan: Emergency Program Community Education (Complete)
- Safe Community: Operational Audit (Process Created)
- Monitor Implementation of Policing Framework Agreement (Ongoing)
- Implement New Process for Bylaw Ticketing and Collection (Complete)



Strategic Priorities (cont'd)

- Underwriter Survey (Complete)
- Seniors Fire Safety Public Education Program (Ongoing)
- Continuing Public Education Oil Tanks (Ongoing)

