

# **Snohomish County Fire District 21**



Is the Provider of Fire Suppression, Emergency Medical Services (EMS), and Life Safety for our Community



- Responded to over 985 calls in 2017, over 70% EMS.
- Calls increased 35% over last 5 years
- Providing emergency response to 9,000 people over 70 square miles
- 1 full time employee, 22 part paid and 15 volunteer firefighters
- One fire station in Arlington Heights, Contract with Arlington Fire for Southern side of District
- Funded by two property tax levies: EMS and Fire
- EMS levy renewed by voters in 2012 at 50 cents per \$1000 currently at 41 cents
- Fire Levy has never been increased since the district began in 1960, currently at 50 cents of a possible \$1.50/1000 (2nd lowest in Snohomish County)
- A strategic 7 year financial plan is in place to insure proper funding and planning for future growth
- Board of Fire Commissioners will ask voters to raise the fire levy to \$1.30 per \$1000 in August of 2018. This lid lift would cost the owner of a \$350,000 home an additional \$23.30 dollars per month. (\$280 per year)
- Increased funding would be used for a new McElroy Rd station, Arlington Heights Station remodel to include living quarters for 24 hr staffing. Safer and more effective 3 person/24 hour staffing at both stations.

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Mission Statement~

***"We aspire to serve our community with professionalism, honesty, education and integrity by building a firm foundation that provides safety and security for all."***