

Corporation of the Township of Brock

Staff Report to the Mayor and Members of Council

From: Rick Harrison Position: Fire Chief

Title / Subject: Fire Prevention Public Education Update 2022

Date of Report: November 17, 2022 Date of Meeting: December 12, 2022

Report No: 2022-PS-016

1.0 Issue / Origin

The Fire Chief is responsible for preparing and presenting updates of activity and events within the fire prevention/fire prevention public education division of the fire department to Council.

2.0 Background

As per the Fire Protection and Prevention Act (FPPA), 1997, S.O., c.4, every municipality shall establish a program in the municipality which must include public education with respect to fire safety and certain components of fire prevention.

Subject to section 6.1.1 of the Brock Township Establishing Regulating Bylaw the Fire Department shall be organized in the following Divisions but not limited thereto:

6.1.1 Fire Prevention, Public Safety & Public Education.

3.0 Analysis

Fire Prevention Inspector/Fire Prevention Public Educator presented the Fire Chief with statistical information outlining all fire department activity/events pertaining to the fire prevention division.

The statistical information outlines several community events for the period beginning February 7, 2022 and ending November 17, 2022 as per the following:

- Distribution of fire safety bags and material for 30 daycare children under 4 years old,
- Delivered fire safety lesson plan and distributed public education material during March Break Camp – Beaverton, 28 children aged 4 – 12 years,

- Organized and distributed fire safety material at Sunderland Maple Syrup Festival, to approximately 1500 people,
- Recorded fire safety message and distributed via KX96 radio station,
- Distributed fire safety material at Kids Safety Village in Whitby,
- Organized and implemented Station 83 tour and fire safety lesson for 10 kindergarteners,
- Organized and participated in "Storytime with a Firefighter" at the Beaverton Library,
- Delivered fire safety lesson, firefighter tool information, station tour, handed out public education material, 27 children of all ages and 30 adults,
- Participated in "Career Day" at Brock High School,
- Organized and conducted Station 83 Tour and fire safety lesson with assistance of FF Jesse Beaudrow, 24 kindergarteners,
- Organized and participated in Fire and Electrical Safety Program in conjunction with FF Ryan Gillard (Hydro One) as per the following:
 - o Thorah Public School, 58 kindergarten to grade 2,
 - o Sunderland Public School, 96 kindergarten to grade 2,
 - Beaverton PS, 123 kindergarten to grade 2,
 - Sunderland PS, 35 kindergarten to grade 2,
 - McCaskill Mills, 84 kindergarten to grade 2
- "Storytime with a Firefighter" with Brock Library Cannington, delivered fire safety lesson, firefighter tool information, station tour, handed out public education material, 18 children of all ages and 15 adults,
- Conducted "Older Adult Fire Safety Messaging" for Beaverton Historical Society, 9 participants,
- "Storytime with a Firefighter" Sunderland, delivered fire safety lesson, firefighter tool
 information, station tour, handed out public education material, 26 children all ages and 23
 adults,
- Delivered tailored fire safety lesson Stonemoor Daycare, including Station 82 tour, 29 2-4-year olds, "Learn not to burn Program",
- Participated in Tim Hortons Camp Day, distributed fire safety material with the assistance of Sparky the fire dog,
- Organized and conducted "Campfire Safety Night" at Beaverton Library, taught campfire fire safety lessons and fire extinguisher lesson, 65 children of all ages and 42 adults,
- Organized and conducted Pentecostal Church Summer Camp, Fire Safety, and fire extinguisher lesson, 50 senior kindergarten to grade 6,
- Brock Summer Day Camp Beaverton, 55 4 year-12-year old's, delivered tailored fire safety programming, distributed fire safety material and truck visit,
- Presented a modified Tapp-C Program with a at risk youth,
- Private station tour and fire truck ride with Summer Reading Program winter.
- Organized and conducted fire extinguisher prop training at Storybook Animal Sanctuary for 6 staff and volunteers,
- Participated in Sunderland Fall Fair and Beaverton Fall Fair, Fire Prevention and Public Education Booth, distributed fire safety material,

- Participated in Open House at McCaskill Mills, fire truck tour, distribution of fire safety material,
- Organized and participated in events during Fire Prevention Week October 9-15, 2022,
 - Skate with Sparky event Beaverton October 7, Cannington October 14, and Sunderland October 16,
 - Skated with children as 'Sparky',
 - Distributed fire safety material,
 - Home fire safety escape plan contest created 118 plans,
- Taught Fire Safety Lesson at Kids Safety Village in Whitby, approx. 50 children,
- Organized and presented specialized fire safety information to 2 children in the Chimo program at Sunderland Public School regarding fire play,
- Organized and presented fire safety program at Holy Family Catholic School, approximately 124 students.
- Delivered Fire Safety Programming tailored for older adults at Manilla Hall, distribution of fire safety material, 17 older adults,
- Delivered Government of Ontario messaging regarding emergency preparedness, prepared a 72-hour emergency kit with participants, 3 adults and 4 children,
- Thorah Central Public School, Fire Safety Program, students from grades 1-5, approximately 85 students.

4.0 Related Policies / Procedures

Fire Prevention Protection Act

Brock Township Establishing & Regulating Bylaw

5.0 Financial / Budget Assessment

None

6.0 Climate Change Impacts

None

7.0 Communications

Information shall be available on Township social media for public viewing.

8.0 Conclusion

Over the past 10 months the Fire Prevention/Public Education division has delivered a very robust fire safety education program reaching out to approximately 2700 people with fire safety lessons/messages and events.

This division continues to move forward with the development of new initiatives for public education.

9.0 Recommendation

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Report-PS-016 "Fire Prevention Public Education Update 2022" be received for information.