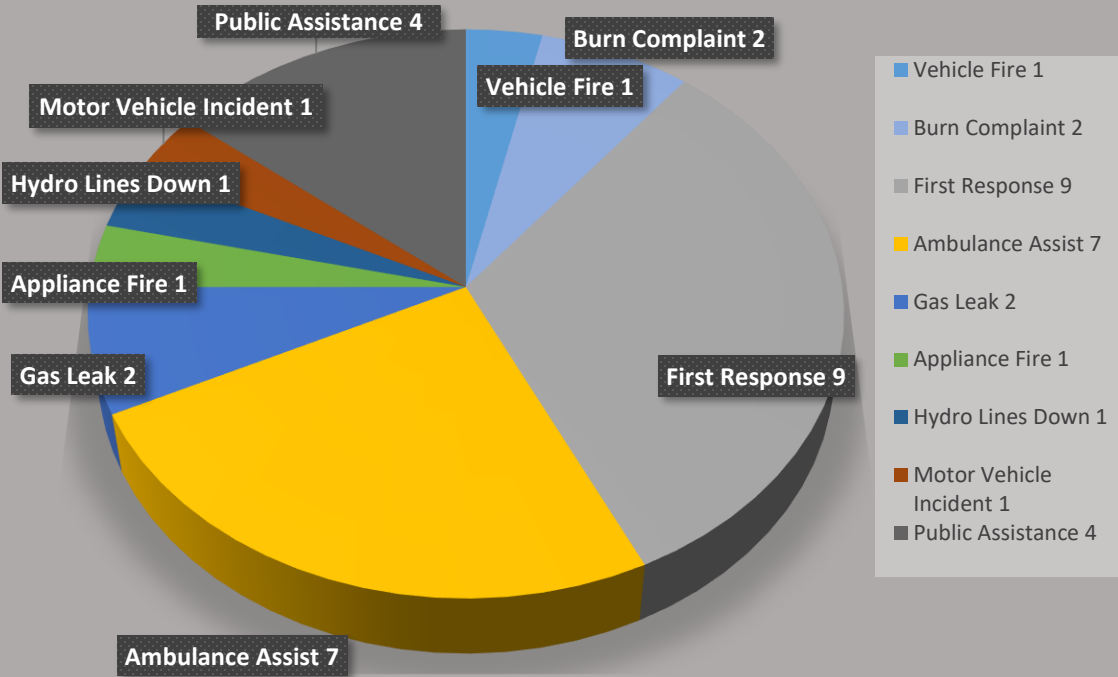


# CHIEF'S REPORT

April 2025



# Call Type



Annual call totals located on last page

## Service Delivery

In April, Pender Island Fire Rescue responded to 28 emergency calls, reflecting another busy and varied month of service to our community.

- **First Response (9 calls)** with crews assisting in a wide range of medical emergencies alongside BC Ambulance.
- **7 Ambulance Assists** were logged, involving situations where our team provided additional support for patient care, including lifting assistance and accessing remote properties.
- **4 Public Assistance** calls included helping residents with non-urgent but safety-related issues.
- **A boat fire at Poet's Cove** was successfully extinguished with no injuries reported, thanks to a quick response.

- We responded to 2 Burn Complaints, reminding residents of current fire regulations and working to maintain public safety.
- 2 Gas Leaks were safely investigated, with crews using gas detection equipment to ensure the safety of occupants.
- 1 Appliance Fire (GFCI receptacle) was swiftly handled before it could spread beyond the immediate area.
- 1 Hydro Lines Down call was addressed with scene security until BC Hydro arrived.
- We also attended 1 Motor Vehicle Incident, providing scene control and assisting with patient care.

This wide range of call types demonstrates the department's diverse capabilities and ongoing dedication to protecting the residents of Pender Island.

## **Apparatus and Equipment Inspections and Maintenance**

- Rescue 2 was sent to Vancouver Island for repair and tire replacement.

## **Training**

- 2025 Recruits continue their NFPA 1001 training. This provides them with foundational knowledge and skills focusing on structural firefighting duties and aligning with national standards.

## **Administration**

### **CRD**

- Policy on fire and life safety inspections is in development.

## Community Risk Reduction

### Fire and Life Safety Events

- Fire extinguisher training for Medical Clinic
- Fire extinguisher training for Pender Island Yacht Club

## Events and Public Education

- Captain Grelik attended the Fire Prevention Officers Association of BC conference.

- We hosted a Southern Gulf Island Community Justice Program.

- We celebrated Emergency Service Dispatchers week by creating some fun content to show our appreciation.



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## Finance

- 2024 financial statements are now complete.

## Capital Equipment & Facilities

### Capital and Infrastructure

- All Halls have had their annual fire systems tests completed.

## Personnel

### Staffing

- A memorial for our fallen firefighter Paul Hutcheson has been scheduled for 10:30 am June 7<sup>th</sup> and will be hosted here at the station upon the request of his family.

Submitted by,



Fire Chief, Michael Dine

Pender Island Fire Rescue

Code Number	2025 Call Description	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Quantity
1	Structure Fire													0
2	Chimney Fire	1												1
3	Vehicle Fire				1									1
4	Grass Fire													0
5	Forest Fire													0
6	Burn Complaint	1	1		2									4
7	First Response	13	14	10	9									46
8	Ambulance Assist		4	3	7									14
9	RCMP Assist													0
10	Smoke Sighting		1											1
11	Chemical Spill	1												1
12	Oil Spill													0
13	Fuel Spill													0
14	Gas Leak				2									2
15	Appliance Fire				1									1
16	Hydro Lines Down/Incidents		2	2	1									5
17	Smoke Smell													0
18	Motor Vehicle Incident	2	3		1									6
19	Miscellaneous													0
20	Plane Crash													0
21	Search & Rescue													0
22	Alarm Bells	3	3	1										7
23	Public Assist / Good Samaritan			1	4									5
24	Rope /Embankment Rescue													0
25	Illegal Burn / Illegal Equipment Use	1												1
<b>All</b>	<b>Calls to Date</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>95</b>
All	Calls from Previous Year	21	20	19	21	35	18	38	40	23	27	22	25	309