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After Action Report: Holiday Parade

Purpose:

The Germantown Fire Department provided emergency medical services along the route of the City's Holiday Parade. It is the intent of the Germantown Fire Department to provide emergency medical care and other assistance to the participants and citizens attending the event.

Executive Summary:

The GFD developed its annual Holiday Parade Operations and Communication Plan based on events of previous parades. Emergency medical services were provided by utilizing personnel on EMS bikes and the Gator from the time the police department began closing streets, so the parade floats could stage, until approximately 30 minutes after the parade ended. Comm 41 was utilized to provide communication between the various other City departments operating at the parade.

Lessons Learned:

All operational and planning benchmarks were met prior to the beginning of the parade. No injuries or illnesses were reported during the parade. The operational and communication plans remain valid unless there is a change to the parade itself. An example could possibly be a route change because of road construction.

Action Items:

- Continue participation in Special Event Committee meetings.
- Ensure the operational and communication plan is issued to all department members at least one week before the parade.
- Ensure staffing goals are met prior to the beginning of the parade.

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