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Parksville Fire Recruiting Now!

Parksville Fire Department is recruiting for 2022. We are looking for positive, energetic and community minded women and men to join our team of paid on-call firefighters. Recruit class begins this spring and applications are now being accepted. Parksville Fire, a composite department of on-call and career firefighters, provides fire and rescue services for the Parksville Fire Protection Area. Parksville Fire has served the community since 1942, responding to emergencies 365 days a year.

Paid on-call firefighters demonstrate the personal values of trust, integrity, and compassion and will be part of a skilled and dedicated team. Firefighters are committed to their community with more than just a desire to help. Firefighters have courage, passion, work well as part of a team and eager to learn new skills. Experience not necessary, just a great attitude and willingness to face new challenges. We promise your life will change.

We provide professional training and on the job experience to become team members, leaders, and highly skilled firefighters. Firefighting offers personal and professional challenges as well as extensive training in all aspects of firefighting. The benefits of being a paid on-call firefighter are many and include personal satisfaction, community recognition, the chance to make new friends, be involved in community activities and learn new skills. The department also offers a junior program for those under the age of 19, introducing life as a member.

Do you have what it takes to be a firefighter? Candidates for paid on-call firefighters should be:

- 19 years of age or older (junior member - age 16)
- Healthy and physically fit (medical and fitness screening required), non-smoker
- Good driver (valid BC driver's licence and good driving record)
- Of good character (RCMP security check required)
- Able to attend weekday evening training sessions and occasional weekend training
- Live in the Parksville Fire Protection area (ideally within City of Parksville boundaries)
- Daytime availability preferred.

Learn more

Do you have what it takes? To learn more about paid on-call firefighting and the steps in the selection process, please contact us before completing an application. Most importantly, we need you to fully understand the commitment we ask of our firefighters. Contact the fire station during business hours (Monday to Friday, 8 am to 4 pm) to speak with an officer or arrange a tour. All COVID-19 protocols in effect, masks are mandatory.

Closing date is Friday, March 4 at 4 pm. Details and applications on our [website](http://parksvillefirerescue.ca).

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