

## **NEWS RELEASE**

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## Parksville Fire 2025 Recruitment Campaign

During our annual recruitment campaign, we look for positive, energetic and community-minded men and women to join our team of volunteer paid on-call firefighters. If you reside in the Parksville Fire Protection area and are interested in learning more about our team of dedicated and skilled firefighters, we'd like to hear from you.

We rely on the commitment of volunteer paid on-call and career firefighters dedicated to public safety and community service to provide fire and emergency response services in the Parksville Fire Protection Area. We responded to almost 800 calls in 2024 related to structure fires, rescues, motor vehicle incidents, medical assistance, and public service requests. Our firefighters are highly skilled professionals who value integrity, honesty, selflessness, commitment, courage, and are hardworking and family oriented.

We offer an outstanding training program and an opportunity to make an unforgettable difference in people's lives.

- Professional firefighter certification and ongoing training.
- Opportunity to serve your community, team environment.
- Personal growth, sense of achievement, chance to be awesome.
- Great benefits paid on-call, WorkSafe, additional accidental death and disability insurance (on and off duty), and more.

Although it is challenging to find the right balance between family, work and volunteering, it can be extremely rewarding. We'd love to chat about what we do at Parksville Fire Rescue; call us at 250 248-3242 to speak with an officer and arrange a tour. Application deadline is Friday, February 28. Recruitment details and info on our website.

We are your neighbours, co-workers, family, and friends and need your help with our recruiting efforts; please encourage those you know who may be interested to contact Parksville Fire. Our members serve the Parksville Fire Protection Area which covers the City of Parksville and contract areas within the Regional District of Nanaimo - San Pareil, Morningstar, Columbia Beach, French Creek, and the Fourneau Road, Wildgreen, and Martindale Road areas. The population of the fire protection area is about 20,000, increasing substantially in the summer.

## Recruitment Open Practice - Monday, January 20, 7-9 pm

Regular practice on January 20 will be open to those interested in being a firefighter. Arrive by 6.30 pm, dress for the weather, and stay as long as you wish. This is an opportunity to observe a practice, see firsthand what's involved in training to be a firefighter, ask questions and chat with members. The Parksville fire station is located at 160 Jensen Avenue West.

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For more information:

Parksville Fire Rescue 250 248-3242; answerthecall@parksville.ca

> The City of Parksville is located on the traditional territory of the Coast Salish Nations, home to the Snaw-Naw-As First Nation and the Qualicum First Nation.

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