



NEWS RELEASE – Photo Op

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(24 Individuals to be Sworn-In as Volunteer Firefighters)

When: Monday, October 1st at 7 pm
Where: Al Kader Shrine Center (25100 S.W. Parkway Avenue, Wilsonville)
What: Twenty-four (24) community members will be officially sworn-in as Volunteer Firefighters at a graduation ceremony hosted by Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue and Clackamas County Fire District No. 1

Twenty-four (24) local men and women will be sworn-in as Volunteer Firefighters at a Graduation Ceremony, following their passage of a rigorous, ten week, 150-hour Volunteer Recruit Academy that began last July. The Academy was a joint venture between Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue and Clackamas County Fire District No. 1. Participants were exposed to all facets of the fire service, including live fire, self-contained breathing apparatus, mass casualty incidents, blood borne pathogens, public education, ground ladders, wildfire and hazardous materials awareness.

Depending on where they reside, the new Volunteers will be assigned to either Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue or Clackamas County Fire District No. 1. They may staff fire stations during peak activity periods, provide rehab and fire-watch services at an incident scene, assist in salvage and overhaul tasks, and respond to emergency incidents if needed.

TVF&R and CCFD#1 have two of the largest contingents of volunteer firefighters in Oregon. TVF&R's 100 active volunteers are based at stations in Aloha, Sherwood, Skyline, Tigard, West Linn, and Wilsonville, while CCFD#1's 60 volunteers are based at the Clackamas, Holcomb/Outlook, Redland, Beaver creek, Springwater/Logan, and Clarkes/Highland stations.

For more information on how to become a volunteer firefighter, visit www.tvfr.com or www.clackamasfire.com.

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