



Firefighters Train in Downtown Building Slated for Demolition

Date: Monday, June 1, 2009

For Immediate Release

VICTORIA, BC — Firefighters from the Victoria Fire Department will train in a simulated fire on Humboldt Street through the week of June 1 - 6. A multi-unit, wood frame building slated for demolition will provide a unique opportunity for firefighters to practise core firefighting skills including forcible entry, search and rescue, communications, and ventilation, in a realistic downtown environment.

Smoke is simulated and environmentally safe.

Media are invited to attend to learn more about the skills needed for core firefighting skills.

MEDIA OPPORTUNITY:

What: Simulated fire training exercise

When: Monday, June 1, 2009, 10 a.m. – 11 a.m.

Where: 950 Humboldt Street

In 2008, the Victoria Fire Department celebrated 150 years of dedicated service in Victoria. The Fire Department has three fire stations and 116 members who provide exceptional fire, rescue and emergency services, in addition to fire prevention education in the community. The Victoria Fire Department received 5,578 calls in 2008, including 413 fires.

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