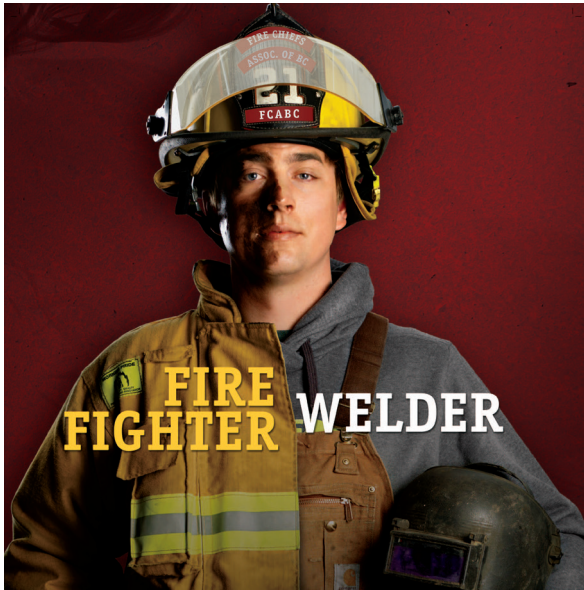




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FVRD SPOTLIGHT

Welcome to the FVRD Spotlight, a quarterly newsletter designed to highlight services FVRD provides to electoral areas.



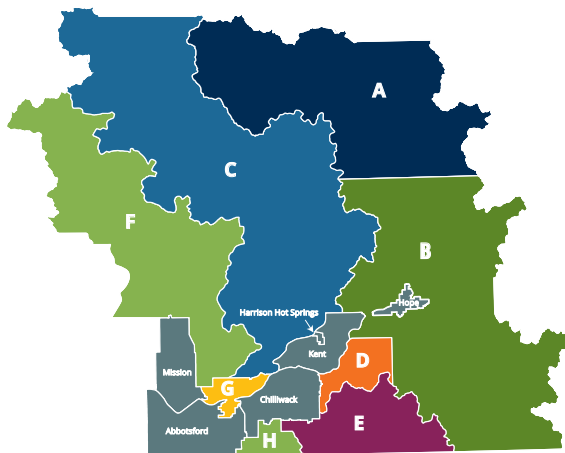
New Year, New Resolution

Volunteer to be a Firefighter for your community?

For many, the New Year is a time for change. Some people want to learn a new skill; others want to improve their fitness level or give back to their community. As a volunteer firefighter, you can do all of this and more.

We have eleven firehalls throughout our eight electoral areas that operate 24/7, 365 days a year. We offer specialized training and provide all the firefighting and safety equipment. You just have to be 18 years or older and preferably live within 15 minutes of the firehall.

We're always looking for new volunteers. Find contact info and a volunteer application form at fvrd.ca/fire.



Electoral Area Grant-in-Aid Program

Each year the FVRD has a limited amount of grant funding available for non-profit community groups or individuals who provide a service or benefit to their electoral areas. Our grant-in-aid programs support cultural, environmental, charitable and recreational services activities as well as special events that benefit the community.

To find out if your community group or project qualifies for grant-in-aid funding, visit fvrd.ca/gia and review the application criteria and restrictions listed in the Grant-in-Aid Policy.

Applications are accepted year round.





Online Services

Take advantage of our online payment options to pay your utility bill.

If you haven't made a myFVRD account yet, get started by visiting fvrld.ca/onlineservices. Click on "Manage myFVRD Profile" to create your MYFVRD profile. Once your profile has been created, **register** your utility account using the account number and access code found in the top right corner of your utility bill.

With your myFVRD account, you can also view current and past bills, as well as monitor your water consumption if you are on a metered water system.



Have Your Say FVRD

It's been a little over a year since we launched our public engagement site, Have Your Say. This site profiles projects, plans, and initiatives that are important to your community.

Through HaveYourSay you can share your opinions, thoughts and ideas to help shape the decisions that affect you. We encourage you to visit <https://haveyoursay.fvrld.ca> and register so you can stay up-to-date and participate in projects taking place in your community.



Tansy Ragwort

Invasive Weeds

February 20 - 26 is Invasive Species Awareness week, and with spring just around the corner it seems timely to remind homeowners about the FVRD's Invasive Weeds program.

Homeowners are responsible for controlling invasive weeds on their property. The FVRD has an Invasive Weeds program for Electoral Areas C, D, E, G and H that targets Wild Chervil, Tansy Ragwort, Giant Hogweed and Knotweed.

Visit our Invasive Weeds page at fvrld.ca/weeds for photos and a description of these weeds as well as disposal information.