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To: "[Direct to Mayor and Council - DL](#)"

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Subject: Media Event Invitation: Delivery of PFAS-free turn out gear to firefighters

Dear Mayor and Council,

We would like to invite you to a media event to mark the roll-out of the of the first sets of PFAS-free turnout gear for firefighters that will be held next Wednesday, October 23 at 8 am. Mayor Ken Sim and Chief Karen Fry will be speaking at the event.

The event details are as follows:

Date: Wednesday, October 23, 2024

Itinerary:

- 07:45 am Mayor, councillors, VIPs arrive
- 08:00 am Media event begins
- 08:15 am Hand out new turn out gear to firefighters on duty
- 08:30 am Media availability

Location: Vancouver Fire Rescue Services Firehall 2- 199 Main Street

Speakers: Mayor Ken Sim, Chief Karen Fry

About the project:

On April 12th, council approved new PFAS-free turnout gear for firefighters to reduce cancer risk, the number 1 cause of death of firefighters in Canada. VFRS has started to receive this new turn out gear and will start the distribution across the city to firehall's. On October 23rd, we will be handing out the first sets of PFAS-free gear to crews on duty at firehall 2.

Limited parking will be available on site and a small number of street parking spots will also be available on Malkin Ave. This is an outdoor event and we advise attendees to dress accordingly.

Please RSVP to Matthew Trudeau, matthew.trudeau@vancouver.ca by October 21st.

Best,
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