Terrace Search and Rescue

Information for Applicants to the Terrace Search and Rescue Team

General Information

Applications are brought in throughout the year with a yearly recruitment conducted in the fall. The team's normal complement of active members is 15 – 20 members. Recruitment of new personnel will generally reflect the need to maintain an adequate strength to fulfill the team responsibilities.

Training

When applications are confidant they want to join the team they are introduced to the Ground Search and Rescue Course (GSAR), this course is intended to provide participants with the skills necessary to safely and efficiently function in a SAR operation. Formal training is provided and it is essential that members attend on a regular basis. Training is performed on bi-weekday Monday evenings from 7pm to 10pm and occasionally on weekends. This forms the basis of time commitment. Although the team provides most of the specialized technical equipment to perform SAR work, members are expected to equip themselves with appropriate clothing, footwear and personal items.

Terrace Search and Rescues Responsibilities

The role of the Terrace Search and Rescue Team includes the following:

1. Assisting policing agencies and the BC Ambulance Service in the search and rescue of missing and injured persons;
2. Assisting policing agencies and the Provincial Coroner's Service in body recovery operations;
3. Assisting municipal agencies in search, rescue, communications, and other roles during civil emergencies;
4. Promoting education of the public in mountain safety, first aid, and search and rescue techniques.

Call-outs are unpredictable, but tend to occur mainly on weekends and evenings. In recent years we have averaged around ~~15~~ 20 callouts per year.
Members should expect to experience incidents including small -scale searches in both urban and wilderness environments; embankment and/or high-angle rope-rescues; swift-water rescues; body recoveries; and searches on lakes and rivers. In addition, the team delivers community education programs to educate people on techniques for dealing with wilderness incidents. Assistance to other community groups may also be provided by SAR members to facilitate fund-raising for the team

Although they are volunteers, the life saving service provided by the members of the Terrace Search and Rescue Team requires that they maintain the standards of unpaid professionals in assisting municipal and provincial agencies.

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Volunteer Application

Name _____ Date of Birth _____

Address _____ Drivers License # and Class _____

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Phone: (Home) _____ (Business) _____ (Cell) _____

Email: _____ Date of Birth _____

Emergency Contact: Name: _____ Phone: _____ Relationship: _____

Why would you like to join Search and Rescue?

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Describe any personal qualities, outdoor experience or training that would make you an asset to the team?

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Do you have any of the following experience and if so at what level? Check where appropriate

☐ First Aid_____ ☐ Communication_____ ☐ Rope Rescue_____ ☐ Tracking_____

☐ Avalanche _____ ☐ Swift water _____ ☐ Communication _____ ☐ S.A.R _____

Other: _____

How long have you lived in the area and how well do you know the surrounding wilderness and waterways and what experiences do you have?

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Please list any pertinent medical information or allergies (diabetes, bees, etc.)

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Something you feel we missed asking, *€ describe any FURTHER skills, training, education and/or interests that YOU feel is possibly relevant to the search and rescue volunteer position, please include this information below and or on the back of this page.*

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Signature _____ Date _____