



# HELLO NEIGHBOUR!

West Kelowna Fire Rescue and the City of West Kelowna are pleased to announce that the new location for Fire Station #32 has been secured at 2509 and 2513 Harmon Road. We are reaching out to our neighbours to let them know details about our relocation and what life is like near a fire station!

## NEED TO RELOCATE STATION 32

Station 32, currently located nearby at 2708 Olalla Road, has served its community well for decades. However, the current location and state of the building can no longer accommodate the needs of our growing community. In order to provide the best possible fire protection to West Kelowna and Westbank First Nation, we needed to find a location in the same area that can grow with our community. Station 32 will continue to complement the fire service we provide from our other neighbourhood fire stations; Glenrosa - Station 34, Rose Valley - Station 33 and Westbank Centre - Station 31.

## STATE OF CURRENT FIRE STATION

To effectively provide space for our equipment, training and staff, the current fire station has to be expanded. The current location is too small for our needs. Also, the firehall itself is well past its life expectancy and would require many upgrades to meet current building and fire code requirements. Additionally, working condition requirements are currently not being met. The new location for the fire station will provide an opportunity to address all of these issues and allow us to continue to protect the community.



## Our Good Neighbour Approach

We know the thought of living next to a fire station may cause some uncertainty about what to expect. We want to assure you that it's not blaring sirens and drills 24/7! In fact, much of what occurs at the fire station is done inside - practices, training, administration and strategic planning - all take place inside. Outside of the fire station, there is equipment checks and maintenance and some public outreach like child seat inspections.

Yes, there will be lights and sirens as we head out on emergency calls, but rest assured!

We will respect our surroundings. We are committed to being the best possible neighbour we can be. We will always have an open door policy during our day-to-day operations.

Our neighbours are welcome any time to connect with us.

Questions? Please feel free to contact us with any inquiries you may have:

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