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Benton County Fire District 4 invites community to Open House

WEST RICHLAND, WASH. – Benton County Fire District 4 invites the community to its annual Open House on June 10 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at Station 420 located at 2604 Bombing Range Rd, West Richland, WA 99353.

“This is an opportunity for us to say thank you,” said Fire Chief Bill Whealan. “We couldn’t save lives and property without the support of our community.”

The theme for this year’s Open House is “Everything EMS.” Approximately 76% of all emergency calls received by Fire District 4 are EMS-related. Last year, voters renewed a levy that funds the fire district’s emergency medical service program. The fire district is featuring some of the apparatus, equipment, programs and services that the levy funds during the event.

There will be free blood pressure checks, CPR and heart monitor demonstrations. “The Jaws of Life” will be used during a motor vehicle extrication demonstration. Life Flight has been invited to participate with their helicopter, and there will be fire safety and injury prevention activities for the kids. Firefighters, Emergency Medical Technicians, and Paramedics will be on hand for station tours, and show apparatus, such as ambulances and fire engines. Refreshments will be provided, as well.

“This is a great way to connect with the community,” said Chief Whealan. “I wish we could do these events every weekend.”

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Benton County Fire District 4 provides fire and emergency medical service (EMS) to 17,000 people over 52 square miles, including the City of West Richland. Approximately 50 volunteer and career firefighters, emergency medical technicians and paramedics respond to an average of 1,400 calls per year. Learn more about Fire District 4 at www.bcf4.org, “Like” us on Facebook at /BCFD4 or follow us on Twitter @BCFD4Info.