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**Fire and Rescue Recruit Graduation Class 2025-2**

On Wednesday, March 11<sup>th</sup>, at 10:00 a.m., the Prince William County Department of Fire and Rescue will hold its graduation ceremony for Recruit Class 2025-2 at the Grace Life Community Church, 9560 Linton Hall Road, in Bristow. Battalion Chief Jonathan Newell will preside over the ceremony.

Class 2025-2 consists of Fire and Rescue Technicians who successfully completed 30 weeks of rigorous academic and physical training at the Department’s Public Safety Training Center in Nokesville, Virginia. Each student performed in excess of 1500 hours of training. The training consisted of an initial week of Orientation/Study Skills. During the entirety of recruit school, our recruits focus on their Health, Nutrition, and Functional Fitness. Additionally, there are 10 weeks of Emergency Medical Training, 13 weeks of Fire Training, 4 weeks of Specialized Training, and 2 weeks of Administrative Training.

Congratulations to the following graduates:

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|------------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| Mark Baxter            | Christian Georgi  | Eric Portillo    |
| William Behlke         | Gerald Gilkison   | Grant Roberts    |
| Zouheir Bezrhite       | Annabelle Homan   | Nicholas Rudolph |
| Kevin Bonilla          | Darian Jobity     | Hunter Sawicki   |
| Christopher Bookwalter | John Krieger      | Hunter Smith     |
| Joshua Boss            | Sydney Lawrence   | Joshua Smith     |
| Garrett Brannon        | Keon Majors       | Matthew Tremblay |
| Michael Brunner        | Mark Mata         | Nicholas Van Dam |
| Jack Carney            | Micah McDonald    | Paul Williams    |
| Jaden Downes           | Joseph McKeown    | Trenton Williams |
| Alexander Duong        | Olivia O’Brien    | Logan Young      |
| Patrick Ennis          | Gabriel O’Donnell |                  |
| Joseph Frisk           | Caleb Pene        |                  |

**Note: The media are welcome to attend. Photo opportunities will be available throughout the graduation ceremony.**

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