

## **Fire Rescue to Host Swedish Fire & Rescue Students**

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### **GREAT FALLS FIRE RESCUE TO HOST SWEDISH FIRE & RESCUE STUDENTS**

Great Falls, Montana – This week the City of Great Falls will once again host 37 Swedish DOCTUS Fire and Rescue Students. This is the DOCTUS School's third visit to Great Falls Fire Rescue (GFFR). The relationship has flourished and according to the DOCTUS administrators the City of Great Falls has been a good match and a great learning experience for their students. Additionally this has been an enriching experience for the local firefighters involved in providing training to these students. The students will be in Great Falls, April 24-29, 2012.

The students begin their journey in Kamloops, British Columbia where they will receive wildland training. Afterwards, they head to Great Falls where they will receive four days of fire and emergency training. When they leave Great Falls they continue their training in Minneapolis-Saint Paul.

The objective of the visit is to provide students in the DOCTUS program firsthand experience with North American fire, rescue and EMS systems. This is the student's final year with the school and upon completion they will go on to find jobs in the Swedish medical, law enforcement, rescue and fire career fields.

While in Great Falls, the DOCTUS students receive training from Great Falls firefighters and Montana Air National Guard/Airport firefighters on various rescue and firefighting skills. The Students will receive eight hours of training a day and will also have the opportunity to ride with GFFR at night to experience real world emergencies. The following are the training venues and locations:

- Haz. Materials Emergency -- Training Fire Station 4 (1800 Fox Farm Rd)
- Rope Rescue -- Training Fire Station 1 (105 9th St S)
- Firefighter 101 -- Training Center (1900 9th St S)
- Aircraft Crash Rescue Training -- Great Falls Airport Fire Station

According to Assistant Fire Chief Steve Hester, "We are proud to be involved with the DOCTUS program. Our firefighters have the opportunity to share their knowledge and skills with the students and our staff truly benefits from the teaching and training experience."

For more information about the DOCTUS visit and their training schedule contact Kristal Kuhn with Great Falls Fire Rescue at 727-8070.

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