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Novato Professional Firefighter's Commitment

The Novato Professional Firefighter's will commit to a safe and memorable experience for the children. This experience is guaranteed to be one that will touch, move and inspire the lives of all participating in the project. A minimum of seven Novato Professional Firefighters will be on site every day to guide activities and support team building and mentoring to participants.

City of Novato Parks and Recreation Commitment

The City of Novato Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department will be the lead registrar for the camp. They will provide for liability waivers; emergency contact; medical treatment information collection and control; and daily assistance with the support of three counselors.

Novato Fire Foundation

The Novato Fire Foundation is a tax exempt California public benefit corporation, Founded in 2005, the goal of the foundation is to support the programs and services of the Novato Fire District.

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“Fire Squirts”

Fire Squirts is more than just a summer camp. *Fire Squirts* strives to provide children with a fun and safe environment to build trust, teamwork, self-confidence, and discipline, to help them reach their full potential.

Sponsored by the

Novato Professional Firefighter's Association,
 Novato Fire District and the Novato Fire Foundation



Fire Squirts Camp

Fire Squirts is a five-day fire camp for children ages 10-14. Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The camp is available at no cost to approximately 24 children in our community. A special drawing will take place for youth applications for selected spots within the Parks and Community Services Department. All snacks, beverages and lunches are provided.

Children are outfitted with their own firefighter turnouts; boots, turnout coat, helmet and bunker pants.



Confidence



Trust

Activities include: rappelling from the drill tower; cutting apart a vehicle using the Jaws of Life; climbing the aerial ladder; roll and connect fire hose; direct fire streams, and learning to use a fire extinguisher.

Throughout the week, the children will participate in many activities that real firefighters do, including: checking the equipment and engines; participating in the fire and physical fitness training; and becoming trained in CPR and First Aid. They will also learn about fire behavior and fire safety.

On the final day of camp, the children will demonstrate their newly acquired skills by participating in a fire muster (a skills competition), conducted before family and friends. This valuable exercise builds self-esteem, develops trust and is great fun. Following the competition, there will be a BBQ lunch and awards ceremony.



Team Building



"Jaws of Life"



Courage



Self-Esteem

Novato Fire Squirts

Fire Squirts: Activity Schedule

**Novato Fire Station #2
450 Atherton Avenue, Novato**

Fire Squirts will be July 19 through July 23, 2010.

8:30 a.m.—4:00 p.m.

A sample daily camp schedule follows:

Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
Welcome and orientation	PPE check and equipment check	PPE check and equipment check	PPE check and equipment check	PPE check
Fitting turnouts and boots	PT	CPR completion	First aid completion	Muster
Break	Break	Break	Break	Clean-up
Team building exercise	Rappelling	Vehicle Extrication	Live Fire	Presentations by Youth
Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	BBQ Lunch
Hose, nozzles and water	CPR	First Aid	Ladder climb	Recognitions
Break	Break	Break	Break	
Rappelling preparation	Team building exercise	Team building exercise	Muster preparation	

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