



DISTRICT OF TUMBLER RIDGE

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY



Emergency Support Services Responder – Protective Services

Volunteer Classification: Emergency Support Services Responder

Description:

The District of Tumbler Ridge provides Emergency Support Services (ESS), also known as Emergency Social Services, as part of disaster preparedness, response and recovery. ESS is an emergency response program made up of dedicated volunteers with the common goal of assisting people in an emergency. When individuals or families are forced from their homes by fire, floods, earthquakes or other emergencies, the ESS volunteers offer support. These volunteers are trained to help supply those affected by an emergency event with food, lodging, clothing, emotional support, information about the crisis, and family reunification.

Emergency Social Services is based on volunteerism, and is dependent on the willingness of individuals in the community. ESS volunteers not only help during an emergency event but they are integral in the planning of the wellbeing of their neighbours and fellow citizens. ESS volunteers receive ongoing training through various instructions seminars and exercises.

Work Performed:

As part of our ESS team you will help with ensuring the responsibilities of the District of Tumbler Ridge Emergency Support Services for our communities are met, including:

- Identifying locations for reception centres and group lodging;
- Helping to recruit other volunteers;
- Working with local businesses, service organization and government agencies;
- Helping to find shelter and food for people forced from their homes;
- Providing services to people who are unable to leave their homes; and
- Supporting other emergency responders.

ESS volunteers are activated to provide evacuees with essential services including food, clothing, lodging, and emotional support for up to 72 hours.

Requirements:

- Minimum 19 years of age;
- Valid Driver's Licence, Class 7N or higher, with an acceptable driver abstract; and,
- Ability to obtain a satisfactory criminal record check involving vulnerable persons.

To apply, please fill out an application and email to:

Dustin Curry, Director of Protective Services/Fire Chief
District of Tumbler Ridge
Email: trfire@dtr.ca

Or drop it off in person at the Fire Hall located at 325 Iles Way.