



FNESS

FIRST NATIONS' EMERGENCY SERVICES SOCIETY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Fire Safety Public Education Program

WHO IS FNESS?

The First Nations' Emergency Services Society (FNESS) is dedicated to supporting the First Nations communities of British Columbia. We offer a wide range of emergency and environmental services and programs to meet the needs of First Nations.

FNESS is an independent organization, operating under the direction of a First Nations Board of Directors. Our objective is to promote and improve emergency response services such as fire prevention and protection, of First Nations, by providing education, skills training, and technical support to the communities that we serve.

Our extensive experience, knowledgeable employees and proven track record will help your community become a safer place. Should you require further information about the services that we provide, please contact us.



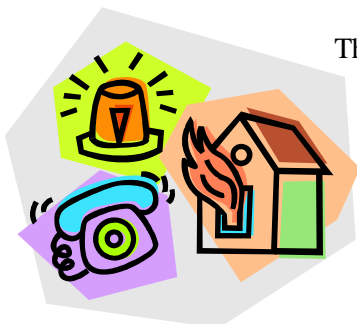
FNESS' Fire Safety Public Education Programs

Our programs provide First Nations in British Columbia with the necessary tools to implement fire safety and fire prevention within their communities. It is our goal to help communities become more fire safe, and to know how to respond in the event of a fire.

We encourage First Nation schools and local volunteer fire departments to work together to implement fun and effective fire safety programs into the regular school curriculum. FNESS offers several programs and services to assist communities in becoming more involved in fire safety.

Public Safety Promotions

Watch out for fire safety and fire prevention promotions from FNESS! Important fire safety information is sent to every First Nation community 4-6 times per year. The Junior Fire fighter News is a quarterly educational newsletter that contains valuable fire safety information and fun learning activities for children. The newsletters are mailed out to schools from kindergarten to grade 7.



The FNESS utilizes three Fire Safety Education programs to support their presentations:

Getting to Know Fire©

Getting to Know Fire© compliments the Learn Not to Burn® program but was designed to help fire fighters and other fire service members deliver effective fire and life safety presentations in their community. It provides lesson plans with

simple, easy-to-use instructional information, including teaching tips, resource lists, handouts, and support materials. It is also available on CD, along with Power Point presentations for easy distribution.

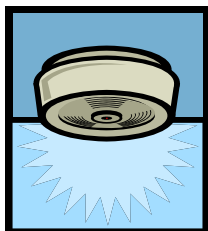
Annual First Nations' Fire Safety Poster Competition

Each year every band-operated school has the opportunity to enter the First Nations' Fire Safety Poster Contest. The poster contest is divided into three categories:

- Category 1 - preschool to grade 2
- Category 2 - grade 3 to grade 6
- Category 3 – grade 7 to grade 9



A panel of judges select three winning posters from each category. The posters are selected on their use of the theme, their artistic ability and their demonstrated knowledge of fire safety and fire prevention awareness.



Fire Prevention Week

Fire Prevention Week is an annual event held during the second week of October. During Fire Prevention Week, communities are encouraged to practice fire prevention and fire safety activities. This is a great time to get community members involved with the volunteer fire department either by becoming volunteer members and / or encouraging school age children to be fire safe. The Fire Safety Poster Contest takes place during Fire Prevention Week.

Burn Awareness Week

Burn Awareness Week takes place during the second week of February each year. Communities are encouraged to raise awareness of personal safety and potentially harmful situations. Schools are encouraged to invite community health nurses and / or volunteer fire departments to talk to children about burns and burn awareness.



TO REQUEST A FIRE SAFETY PRESENTATION FOR YOUR SCHOOL OR COMMUNITY... OR.... FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT OUR PROGRAMS

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