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North Metro Fire Seeks Applicants for Citizens Academy Applications due March 2

Northglenn/Broomfield, CO – North Metro Fire Rescue District invites residents to join its Citizens Academy starting April 1 and ending May 13. The academy teaches community members about the fire district through fun and interactive classes.

Academy participants will learn the ins and outs of the fire district, covering topics such as:

- How emergency calls are dispatched
- What types of emergency calls North Metro Fire responds to
- How firefighters train to handle a diverse range of hazards
- What role fire prevention and education play in the community

The eight-week format will include both classroom and hands-on educational activities in each session that are designed to be fun and engaging. Among the many activities, participants will assist with an auto extrication, learn about wildland firefighting, try out technical rescue techniques and learn how to give CPR.

The Citizens Academy is free for participants and open to fire district residents and property owners 18 years of age or older. All interested participants must submit an application and fulfill the minimum program requirements. The academy will be held primarily on Wednesday evenings from 6 to 9 p.m. at North Metro Fire Headquarters in Broomfield. One Saturday, academy participants will spend at the District's Training Center in Northglenn learning how firefighters train for the job. Following the academy's completion, participants will be recognized at a graduation ceremony.

Anyone interested in attending the academy should apply by March 2. An application can be downloaded online at www.nmfr.org/citizensacademy. The Citizens Academy program is not designed for people seeking a career in the fire service but, rather, is intended for those wishing to gain a deeper understanding of the operations of North Metro Fire Rescue District.

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North Metro Fire Rescue District

North Metro Fire Rescue District is dedicated to providing quality service to its residents through fire protection, emergency medical services, hazardous materials response and specialized rescue. Formed in 1946, the District now covers 60 square miles with a population of approximately 123,000 people including the City and County of Broomfield, the City of Northglenn and unincorporated areas of Boulder, Adams, Weld and Jefferson Counties.