



FIRE DEPARTMENT PRESS RELEASE

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FIRE DEPARTMENT URGES RESIDENTS TO BE WATER-SAFE

The Garden Grove Fire Department recently received a donation from the Emblem Club of Garden Grove with a request that it benefits the children in the City. The proceeds are being used for a child drowning prevention awareness campaign, currently underway.

This year's water safety campaign will include multi-language water watcher tags that provide useful information when supervising children or adults in swimming pools, and flyers outlining the "ABC's of Water Safety." Both the tags and flyers are available free to the public, and can be obtained at any Garden Grove Fire Station, and most City facilities. All Fire Department units will also carry them on their apparatus.

All fire units will also be displaying this year's Orange County Fire Chiefs Association water safety message, "Prevent Drowning Never Swim Alone" decals on the side of their vehicles.

"Many of the drowning emergencies that we have responded to could have been avoided had preventive measures been put into place. We hope that everyone is proactive, and takes the necessary steps to keep themselves and their family safe," says Garden Grove Fire Chief Tom Schultz.

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The first six months of 2015 have seen five drownings and/or water-related emergencies, with the summer months bringing the increased chances of drownings. More information can be found at www.gardengrovefire.org and the department Facebook page.

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