



## Sasamat Volunteer Fire Department Member Profiles



Names: **Tom, Chris & Adon Albanese (Father & 2 Sons)**

Home Municipality: **Anmore**

Work Background: **Tom: Custom Manufacturing**  
**Chris: Commercial Door Installation**  
**Adon: Rigging Grip (Film Industry)**

Years as SVFD Member: **First Year**

### **Why we joined the SVFD:**

**Tom-** To get involved in the community. My wife and I have lived in the tri-cities since the 1960's and have been active in Coquitlam and Port Moody for a number of years. Now moving to Anmore, we felt by me joining the Volunteer Fire department this would allow us to get involved and give back to our community.

**Chris-** Being in a small community with a volunteer fire service, I couldn't ask others to donate their time and energy if I wasn't willing to do the same.

**Adon-** I have a few friends and relatives that are fire fighters. After hearing from them I realized it was something I would love to do.

### **What the SVFD means to us:**

**Tom-** This is a hands on and direct way to help our community. It also allows me to learn about the community we live in.

**Chris-** To me the SVFD is one of the foundations of our community. SVFD members are there for the brightest of celebrations and the most serious of emergencies. I suppose it means my connection to my community.

**Adon-** The SVFD gives me a chance to contribute and help my community while also gaining a valuable set of skills. Being a volunteer takes a commitment not only from me, but also my wife and kids.

### **First Impressions of the SVFD:**

**Tom-** My first impression of the fire dept. was very welcoming and a very professionally run organization. It's a great group of people from all walks of life.

**Chris-** I was impressed with the modern attitude, and professionalism. It's really the members that make the department, it's not just words on paper, or a charter, or creed. Its men and women living up to the standards that they expect not only from each other but of themselves.

**Adon-** The training program has been amazing. I didn't think in only one year I'd learn so much.

