

New York State Assembly Albany, NY 12248

YOU'RE INVITED TO  
**RECRUIT NY WEEKEND**  
at the Patterson Fire Dept.  
April 29, 2017

The background of the invitation is a dark, dramatic scene of a fire. Three firefighters are silhouetted against the bright orange and yellow flames. The firefighter on the left is standing and facing right, wearing a helmet and carrying a large air tank on their back. The firefighter in the middle is also standing, facing left, and appears to be holding a hose. The firefighter on the right is kneeling or crouching, also facing left. The overall atmosphere is one of bravery and service.

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# Please Consider Joining – Your Help Is Needed!

## DID YOU KNOW?

- Outside of NYC, an estimated 95% of all firefighters in New York are volunteers.
- The state has lost roughly 20,000 volunteer firefighters since 2003, leaving an estimated 89,000 today.
- Of more than 1,100 ambulance services, the vast majority are volunteers, and the state has about 33,000 volunteer EMS responders.
- Emergency volunteers save property taxpayers an estimated \$3 billion a year in paid services.
- Benefits for emergency volunteers include a state income tax credit, a real property tax exemption, and a length of service award program.

Even if you can't make it to our **Recruit NY Event**, please make sure to thank your local emergency service workers the next time you see them!

Please join the **Patterson Fire Department** and **Assemblyman Kevin Byrne** for an open house! Equipment and firematic demonstrations, guided tours of the firehouse, try on some gear, fire apparatus tours, and much more!



*"I'm a volunteer firefighter. It's one of the most rewarding things I've done. Volunteer firefighters are staples in our community."*

— Kevin Byrne

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AT THE PATTERSON  
FIRE DEPARTMENT**

**13 BURDICK ROAD,  
PATTERSON, NY 12563**

**APRIL 29 • 10AM - 4PM**

RSVP to [byrnek@nyassembly.gov](mailto:byrnek@nyassembly.gov) by 4/26

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