

Media Release

Celebrating MFS' 160 years at Noarlunga Fire Station Open Day

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The Metropolitan Fire Service (MFS) is inviting the community to celebrate it as one of the world's oldest legislated fire services, with an Open Day at the State's newest fire station.

The doors to the brand-new \$9.75m **Noarlunga MFS Fire Station** will open to the public <u>from 10</u> <u>am</u> until 2 pm on **Saturday, 25 March 2023**.

The Noarlunga MFS Command Fire Station is a replacement station and major emergency services hub located at 1 Goldsmith Drive, Noarlunga Centre, on the corner of Beach Road.

Constructed with a 50 year asset life, the station features solar photovoltaic array, battery back up power systems, recycled water and green construction materials.

MFS Chief Officer, Michael Morgan said that the Noarlunga MFS Open Day is a key chance for the community to celebrate 160 years of one of the world's oldest fire services.

"The MFS is now in its 160th year, and remains one of the oldest legislated fire services in the world. We're inviting the community to celebrate the milestone at our newest, most state-of-the art fire station at Noarlunga MFS.

"It's a rare chance for the public to look behind the engine room doors and get to know their local firefighters, who are thrilled to have transitioned to the brand new station, which is strategically located near the local Ambulance and Police Stations, and Southern Expressway," MFS Chief Officer Michael Morgan said.

The Noarlunga MFS Open Day will provide the community with an opportunity to explore the station, fire trucks and equipment and witness road crash rescue demonstrations by the MFS Road Awareness Program (RAP).

The **free**, family friendly event provides activities including an interactive child fire safety display, the 'Stop, Cover, Drop and Roll' game, colouring in activities and home fire safety education.

The MFS looks forward to welcoming the community to **Noarlunga Fire Station Open Day** on **Saturday, 25 March 2023** <u>from 10 am</u> to 2 pm.

Parking will be available at TAFE SA Noarlunga Campus (via Community Drive, off Alexander Kelly Drive) near the back entrance of Noarlunga MFS Fire Station.

NOTE: If Open Day is a day affected by rain or extreme heat, the MFS will modify activities and displays to ensure the comfort and safety of visitors and staff. The station's Engine Room provides shelter.

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