

UP CLOSE AND PERSONAL WITH HALTON PARAMEDICS

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It's not often you get an inside look at an ambulance without it being an emergency.

Halton Region's Paramedic Day on Saturday gave local residents a chance to go behind the scenes and learn more about what paramedics do, explore their emergency equipment and even try on their tactical gear.

The third annual event, held at the Woodlands Operation Centre in Oakville, coincided with Paramedic Services Week.

"We are fortunate to have highly trained paramedics who work hard to help keep our community safe every day," said Regional Chair Gary Carr. "They perform life-saving skills, educate residents on important health and safety practices and work around the clock to provide urgent medical care to residents when they need it most."

Halton has more than 270 paramedics who respond to over 50,000 calls and transport in excess of 30,000 patients annually. Operating from 12 ambulance stations, they provide pre-hospital care to residents in Burlington, Halton Hills, Milton and Oakville.



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Above, Matyse Van Wandelen, 6, got the chance to take a ride on a stretcher into the back of a transport unit. Left, Andy the Ambulance, the radio controlled mini ambulance is always a hit with the kids. Far left, Halton tactical paramedic Jordan Searle helps four-year-old Albert Grigore suit up in tactical gear including body armour and a gas mask.



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