Scottish Car Wash raising funds for Fire Fighters Charity.

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Fire fighters across Scotland are preparing to roll up their sleeves to take part in the Scottish Car Wash this March, raising vital funds for The Fire Fighters Charity.

Firefighters will be on hand to make your car sparkle and as you drive away in your gleaming car, your donation to The Fire Fighters Charity will help thousands of serving and retired fire service personnel and their families.

Regional Fundraiser for Scotland Jan Mattison said: "We are delighted that so many of our fire stations are getting involved and would urge local people to come along and support the day.

"Firefighting can be dangerous, stressful and traumatic. That's why The Fire Fighters Charity is here for every one of the UK's serving and retired members of fire and rescue service – and their families.

"It costs £9million a year to keep our charity running. With no government funding, we rely completely on donations and goodwill. Please come along to your local fire station and support us."

As well as being a fun fundraising event for The Fire Fighters Charity, the firefighters want to share a very serious message about fire safety in the home. Each year fire destroys lives, something firefighters see regularly and by taking some precautions this risk can be minimised. While your car is being pampered you'll have the chance book a FREE home fire safety visit with us.

As part of our commitment to building a safer Scotland we offer everyone in Scotland a free home fire safety visit. We can also fit smoke alarms free of charge if your home requires them.

You can arrange a free home fire safety visit by calling SFRS on the freephone number 0800 0731 999 or by texting 'check' to 61611. You can also fill out a form at www.firescotland.gov.uk or contact your local community fire station.

Let's face it, washing the car is nobody's favourite job so why not take the hassle out of it and head on down to one of our fire stations on Saturday 8th March 2013 and get your car washed by local fire fighters.

Car wash events are being held at the following stations across East of Scotland from 11am onwards:

Bathgate Fire Station

Broxburn Fire Station

Coldstream Fire Station

Crewe Toll Fire Station

Dalkeith Fire Station

Dunbar Fire Station

Duns Fire Station

Eyemouth Fire Station

Galashiels Fire Station

Hawick Fire Station

Kelso Fire Station

Lauder Fire Station

Liberton Fire Station

McDonald Road Fire Station

Newcraighall Fire Station

Peebles Fire Station

Selkirk Fire Station

Sighthill Fire Station

South Queensferry Fire Station

Tollcross Fire Station

Whitburn Fire Station