

# BOWERBANK FIRE & RESCUE

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Snowbalance Deluxe - Year-Round Rescue

## Here Are Seven Ways You Can Share Your Time & Talents

**Become a Volunteer:** The Bowerbank Fire Department needs volunteers for a variety of support tasks. No matter which way you choose to get involved, ***we will work with you to ensure the time commitment works for you!*** Please reach out to us to discuss the ways in which you would like to get involved.

**Become a Volunteer Firefighter:** We URGENTLY need additional volunteers to assist our department. We will work with you to ensure you receive the necessary training & certifications to become a volunteer firefighter. The Bowerbank Fire Department will pay for your training fees!

**EMT/Paramedic:** Are you an EMT or Paramedic, or do you have interest in pursuing your EMT certification? Talk to us today to join our team!

**Fundraising Events:** Did you know that many of our projects and special equipment are 100% funded through fundraising and grant writing efforts? The Bowerbank Fire Boat is just one of these projects and is one-of-a-kind in Piscataquis County. You can help support projects like the Fire Boat by contributing your time to volunteer at our many fundraising events including the Annual Yard Sale and Derby Dine N' Dash.

**Grant Writing:** We can use your help in identifying and writing grant proposals. In the last year, we applied for 7 grants and received 2 awards with 2 still pending.

**Donate:** Support our volunteer Fire Department by making a cash donation. Your donation will ensure our department continues to serve the residents of Bowerbank and the surrounding area with highly trained volunteer personnel and top-of-the-line fire suppression equipment. Ask about our eligibility for corporate matching funds.

**Can Trailer:** Drop your cans and bottles in the can trailer at the Bowerbank Fire Station to support our fundraising efforts! These donations are used to purchase gear for the firefighters and equipment. Seventy-five percent of the cost of the Snowbalance was funded by can and bottle donations. Small donation go a long way!

**Contact Information:** Call Chief Rodney Preble at 207-564-5160 or Assistant Chief Chuck Wasel at 207-270-0664.

## THINGS TO KNOW

### 2025 Annual Yard Sale

Mark Saturday July 26, 2025 on your calendar for this year's Annual Yard Sale. Please bring your donations to the Fire House during June & July; Wednesdays after 6:00 pm and Saturdays from 8:00 to 10:00 am.

### New and Updated Equipment

In December we purchased the Snowbalance. In May we took delivery of an extractor which is an industrial washer that cleans fire gear. This was purchased using grant-supplied funds. We also received a trailer from the Piscataquis County Emergency Management Agency. The dock we use for the Fire Boat has been rebuilt.

### Smoke Detectors

Contact us about having your smoke detectors checked. This is a service to our community free of charge.

### House Numbers

It is essential that house numbers are uniform & visibly posted for emergency personnel to locate your property. Ask us about getting your house number today!

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You may also leave a message by calling the Bowerbank Fire Department at 207-564-3535. Leave a message and we will return your call!

### Social Media

Like and Follow our Facebook Page @Bowerbank Fire Department.

### Pending Grants

In the pipeline are new firefighter boots (\$800 per pair), updated first-aid kits and flashlights. Also pending is a grant for a snowmobile, snowmobile trailer and battery generator.