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#### PRESS RELEASE

# St. Vincent and the Grenadines Coast Guard Service Celebrates 44 Years of Excellence and Development

**November 29, 2024 - Kingstown:** The St. Vincent and the Grenadines Coast Guard Service (SVG CGS) proudly announces its 44th anniversary on December 2, 2024. Under the theme "44 and Fortified: Committed to Excellence and Development," the Coast Guard invites the public to join a week-long series of events celebrating nearly half a century of dedicated maritime service.

Established on December 2, 1980, the SVG CGS has navigated a dynamic and challenging maritime environment, evolving into a self-sustaining and efficient unit within the Royal St. Vincent and the Grenadines Police Force. Over the past four decades, the Coast Guard has steadfastly upheld its mission to ensure maritime security and safety, protect the marine environment, safeguard natural resources, enforce international maritime conventions, and engage in foreign relations and national defense.

Throughout the week, the Coast Guard Base will host an Open Day from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM daily. The public is invited to tour the facilities, meet the crew, and learn more about the Coast Guard's operations and contributions to national security.

The SVG CGS encourages all citizens to participate in the events and share in commemorating this significant milestone.

### Week of Activities:

Sunday, December 1: Church Service

Time: 9:15 AM

Location: Hilltop Tabernacle Church, Fair Hall

Details: A service of thanksgiving and reflection to commence the anniversary week.

# Monday, December 2: Sensitization Walk

Time: 7:00 AM

Route: From Calliaqua to the Arnos Vale Tarmac and back to Calliaqua

Details: Promoting maritime safety awareness and fostering community engagement.

# Tuesday, December 3: Community Outreach

Details: Supporting the Calliaqua Clinic and Government School to enhance community well-

being.

#### Wednesday, December 4: Commanding Officer's Parade and Coast Guard Brunch

Time: Parade followed by brunch at 11:30 AM

Details: A formal display of the unit's discipline and readiness, celebrating achievements with

service members and guests.

# Thursday, December 5: COP Chat on WE FM & Fun Day

Details: Tune in to WE FM at 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. for a special edition "COP Chat" featuring Coast Guard representatives, followed by a day of recreational activities to strengthen camaraderie.

#### Friday, December 6: Coast Guard Anniversary Social

Time: 6:00 PM onwards

Location: Coast Guard Base

Details: An evening of entertainment featuring Karaoke and Reggae Night to conclude the

anniversary celebrations.

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