

### Fire Prevention: Smoke Alarms Save Lives

Smoke alarms that are properly installed and maintained play a vital role in reducing fire deaths and injuries. If there is a fire in your home, smoke spreads fast and you need smoke alarms to give you time to get out.

Here's what you need to know:

- A closed door may slow the spread of smoke, heat and fire. Install smoke alarms in every sleeping room, outside each separate sleeping area, and on every level of the home.
- Smoke alarms should be interconnected. When one sounds, they all sound.
- Test your smoke alarms at least once a month. Press the test button to be sure the alarm is working.
- Today's smoke alarms will be more technologically advanced to respond to a multitude of fire conditions, yet mitigate false alarms.
- When a smoke alarm sounds, get outside and stay outside.
- Replace all smoke alarms in your home every 10 years.



### Sound the Alarm!

Every day seven people die in home fires. Join the campaign that save lives! The American Red Cross is teaming up with fire departments, volunteers, and partners to Sound the Alarm with home fire safety and smoke alarm installation events.

Volunteers are needed to install free smoke alarms in at-risk communities across the state from April 27th to May 12th, 2019. This is an excellent project for groups, businesses, churches, friends, families, and more!

To volunteer, request a FREE smoke alarm installation, or for more info  
CALL 1-844-216-8286



### Notes from the National Fire Prevention Association

There are three basic but essential steps to take to reduce the likelihood of having a fire—and how to escape safely in the event of one:

1. **Look** for places fire could start. Take a good look around your home. Identify potential fire hazards and take care of them.
2. **Listen** for the sound of the smoke alarm. You could have only minutes to escape safely once the smoke alarm sounds. Go to your outside meeting place, which should be a safe distance from the home and where everyone should know to meet.
3. **Learn** two ways out of every room and make sure all doors and windows leading outside open easily and are free of clutter.

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