## What it's about?

Solon Fire Department received a grant from the American Red Cross to provide and install smoke alarms in homes within Solon Township. What is the goal?

The national goal of a 25% reduction in home fire deaths and injuries in 5 years.

#### What are the target areas?

Senior citizens and low income residences

#### What is the cost?

The program is free

What will be installed?

10 year Lithium-Ion Battery powered Photoelectric and Ionization smoke alarms will be installed per NFPA When can I have them installed?

E-mail or call for an appointment.

#### Will I need to be home?

Yes. This program takes an average of 30 minutes. Firefighters will install smoke alarms using double sided tape and complete a safety survey. You will be provided with information related to the fire safety survey for your home. At the completion of the appointment you will be asked to complete a short survey.

## All Inquiries should go to:

Smokedetectors@solontwp.org Phone: (616) 696-0020



## Links

Federal Emergency Management Agency www.fema.gov



National Fire Protection Association <a href="https://www.nfpa.org">www.nfpa.org</a>

Solon Township Fire Department www.solontwp.org

American Red Cross www.redcross.org

# Residential Smoke Alarm and Home Safety Program

"Fire is Everybody's Fight"™



"To protect lives, property and the environment, with courage, dedication and excellent service"

Is your home safe from fire?

### SMOKE ALARM FACTS



Smoke alarms should be installed inside every bedroom, outside each sleeping area, and on every level of your home.



Using both ionization and photoelectric detectors provides the best protection in your home.



Roughly 2 out of 3 fire deaths happen in homes with no smoke alarms or where the alarms are not working.



Smoke alarms need to be tested monthly and replaced every 10 years.



Smoke alarms need to be cleaned and free of dust to operate correctly.

## FIRE ESCAPE SAFETY TIPS

Smoke alarms are a key part of your home fire escape plan! Plan and practice your escape.

Make sure there are two ways out of each room (windows and doors).

Make sure your escape routes are clear of debris, and doors and windows open easily.

Walk through your plan with your family.

Get out and stay out.



## PREVENTING HOME FIRES

The best way to be safe from fire is to prevent it from happening. Here are a few ways you can prevent a fire in your home:



Always stay in the kitchen when cooking.



Make sure items that can burn are at least 3 feet away from heating appliances and fire places.



Empty ashtrays into non combustible containers often.



Only adults should burn candles. Never leave candles unattended.



Have your furnace and/or chimney inspected annually.



Clean the dryer lint filter and pipe often.