

Cleveland Residents...

Does Your Home Have Smoke Alarms?

If not,
call the Operation Save-A-Life
24-hour hotline at
216-361-5535
to apply for **FREE** smoke alarms

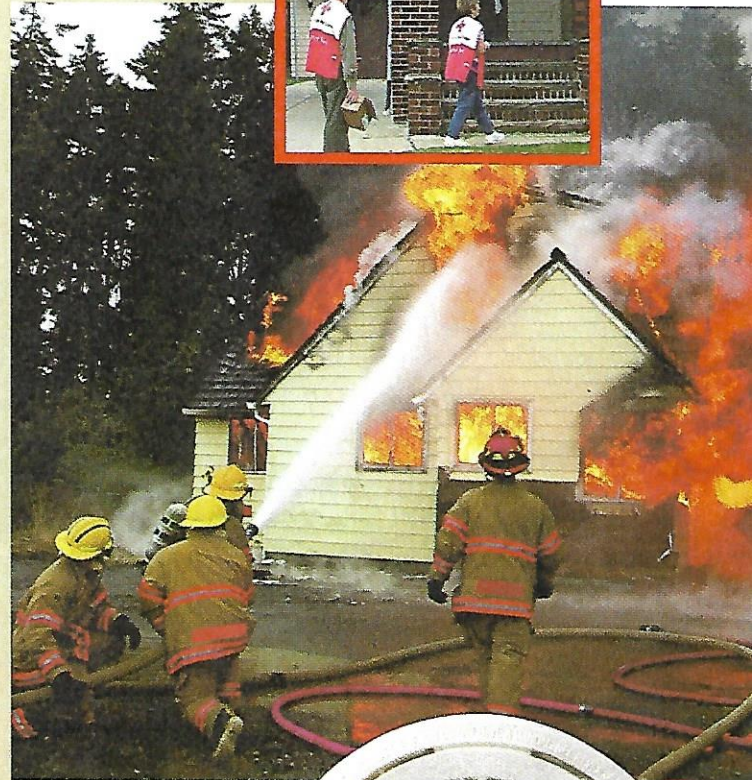
Operation Save-A-Life, a program of the American Red Cross and the Cleveland Fire Department, provides FREE smoke alarms and batteries to Cleveland residents. Smoke alarms are installed by Cleveland firefighters at no cost to residents. Please note that application and installation process may take up to 90 days.

Why do I need smoke alarms?

Smoke alarms provide an early warning of fire and can increase the chances of a safe escape. According to the Cleveland Fire Department, nearly 75% of deaths in house fires are caused by smoke rather than burns. Children and senior citizens are at greatest risk.

- » Install smoke alarms on every level of your home.
- » Test the batteries once a month. Change them twice a year.
- » Develop a home escape plan in case of fire. Have at least two exits from every room and designate an outside meeting spot.
- » Keep matches and lighters away from children. Put them in high places well out of reach.
- » Keep anything that can catch fire away from space heaters. Unplug them when not in use.

IT'S **FREE!**



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Home Fire Escape Plan

Use the graph to draw your home's floor plan and plot your home fire escape routes.

Tips for creating your home fire escape plan and practicing your 2-minute drill:

- Everyone in your household should know two ways to escape from each room in your home.
 - Smoke is dangerous. Get low and go!
 - Decide where to meet once you get outside:
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- Get out and stay out. Never go back inside for people, pets or things.
 - If a fire starts, you may have less than two minutes to get to safety. So time your fire drills and find out: what's your escape time?
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If a fire starts in your home, get out to safety, then dial 911.

You can keep your family safe with 2 simple steps.



Practice your 2-minute drill.



Test your smoke alarms monthly.