Smoke Detectors Save Lives!

Attention Resident:

The Memphis Fire Department cares about you! The United States Fire Administration says that over 80% of fire related deaths occur in the home. And, having a working smoke detector more than doubles your chance of surviving a fire!

Please take a moment and make sure that you have a working smoke detector to protect the sleeping areas of your home. If you do not have a smoke detector or the battery needs to be replaced, please install one or replace the battery immediately.

If you have questions about smoke detectors in your home, please don't hesitate to call the City of Memphis Division of Fire Services.

We are here to serve.

Fire Prevention Bureau 2668 Avery Avenue Memphis, TN 38112 901-636-5401

Commercial Anti-Neglect 79 S. Flicker St. Memphis, TN 38104 901-636-5356

Fire Museum of Memphis 118 Adams Ave. Memphis, TN 38103 901-636-5650









Additional Notes for Home Fire Safety:

- Smoke detectors should be on ceilings at least 4" from the wall or on the wall at 4" - 12" from the ceiling.
- □ Smoke detectors should be tested each month to make sure they operate properly. Usually a test button is found on each detector
- ☐ Change the **batteries** in smoke detectors twice each year. A great time to do this is when you adjust your clocks in the spring and fall for daylight savings time.
- ☐ Do not leave food unattended while cooking. Keep a close eye on what you fry.
- □ When cooking outdoors, grills should be at least 10' from buildings and away from combustibles. Keep a means to extinguish a fire nearby if needed.
- □ Electrical outlets and extension cords should not be overloaded.
- ☐ When in use, **space heaters** should not be left unattended nor kept near combustibles.
- ☐ Create a **home fire escape plan** and practice it regularly. You can find more information for home fire escape plans and other fire safety topics at www.nfpa.org/education.
- ☐ Visit the **Fire Museum of Memphis** for more fire safety information. Check out their website at www.firemuseum.com.





