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Awendaw McClellanville Consolidated Fire District Launching Door-to-Door Smoke Detector Campaign

The district is one of 10 state fire departments selected for the Smoke Alarm Blitz

The Awendaw McClellanville Consolidated Fire District and the Office of the State Fire Marshall (OSFM) will install fire alarms in homes located in the McClellanville community on Saturday, March 7. Awendaw McClellanville Consolidated Fire District has nearly 500 fire alarms available to citizens in need during this door-to-door campaign.

The Awendaw McClellanville Consolidated Fire District is one of 10 South Carolina communities selected to participate in the 2015 Smoke Alarm Blitz based on a series of criteria including National Fire Incident Reporting System (NFIRS) data, social vulnerability index score and fire fatalities (per capita). The annual drive provides smoke alarms to at-risk communities throughout the state. The smoke alarms are paid for with grants through OSFM and the South Carolina Office of Fire and Life Safety.

“A working smoke alarm can save lives in the event of a fire,” said Awendaw McClellanville Consolidated Fire District Chief Tommy Norris. “Our department takes a proactive approach to fire safety and I’m proud of our staff for their efforts to secure this very competitive grant.”

The door-to-door campaign will target the following areas in McClellanville:

- Brailsford Road
- Society Road
- Toby Road
- Extensions of these roads

Citizens may receive up to four lithium smoke alarms per home; each alarm comes with a ten year battery life. Carbon monoxide detectors are also available. The American Red Cross – Charleston Chapter will also participate in the campaign to hand out disaster preparedness packets to the public.

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