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St. Andrews Fire Department Kicking Off Fire Prevention Month with Free Smoke Detectors to Residents

Charleston, SC (October 9, 2017) – This past Saturday, September 7th, St. Andrews Fire Department (SAFD), a division of St. Andrews Public Service District (SAPSD), hosted a Smoke Detector Blitz in honor of Fire Prevention Month in the Ponderosa neighborhood in West Ashley.

Firefighters and Chiefs went door-to-door, offering to install free smoke detectors to SAPSD residents who were in need of them. SAFD installed a total of 255 smoke detectors in 66 homes. The smoke detectors were acquired through a grant that was lauded to the department.

“SAFD’s vision is to enhance, protect, and preserve the lives of our customers,” said Fire Chief Charles Lamoreaux, “October is Fire Prevention Month; it’s a perfect time to get out into the community, answer any fire related questions, and provide residents with smoke detectors that can help save life and property.”

The department is planning to hold another Smoke Detector Blitz in a different neighborhood in the near future. SAFD would like to remind residents to test their smoke detectors monthly, and replace the whole detector every 10 years. For more fire safety information please visit their website at www.standrewspsd.org.

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St. Andrews Fire Department, a 60 personnel career department, provides fire, rescue, and first responder services to the unincorporated area of West Ashley in Charleston County, South Carolina. The operational staff is divided into a ladder company, a rescue company, three engine companies, and a quick response vehicle (QRV) operating out of four fire stations. Each company is staffed with a minimum of three members on a daily basis under the direction of a Battalion Chief. Through a commitment of automatic aid, they assist the fire departments of North Charleston, St. John’s, James Island and City of Charleston in meeting their missions on a daily basis.