

Destin Fire Control District has teamed up with the American Red Cross launch a smoke alarm installation program. Residents of Destin, who do not have a smoke alarm, or do not have a working alarm, can sign up starting today to receive a free smoke alarm by calling the main station on Airport Road @ 837-8413 and a member of Destin Fire Control District team will visit the local resident to install the new smoke alarm.

The Destin Fire Control District's Smoke Alarm Program is part of an effort to reach out to local residents, including older adults, young people and residents of neighborhoods, who are vulnerable to fire deaths. According to the National Fire Protection Association, each year three out of five home fire deaths result from fires in homes with no smoke alarms or no working smoke alarms. Missing, disconnected or dead batteries are usually the culprit of non-working smoke alarms. The risk of dying in a reported home fire is cut in half in homes with working smoke alarms.

