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News Release

Greenville City Fire Department Partners With Corley Plumbing Air Electric

(Greenville SC) The Greenville City Fire Department (GCFD) is partnering with Corley Plumbing Air Electric, which will be the new title sponsor of GCFD's Smoke Alarm and Fire Education (S.A.F.E.) initiative. Corley provided \$6,000 to the program, which combines door-to-door installation of smoke alarms with educational information and personalized fire-safety checks designed to reach three target audiences: residents in the City's special emphasis neighborhoods, hearing-impaired residents and residents receiving emergency assistance from GCFD at a residential structure. According to Will Broschius, GCFD's Community Risk Reduction & Education Coordinator, the goal is to increase the number of residences with working smoke alarms in order to mitigate fire injuries and property **loss. The** program also provides a unique opportunity for GCFD firefighters to teach residents about fire safety in their own homes.

To date, GCFD has installed over 1,900 smoke alarms throughout the city of Greenville through the S.A.F.E. initiative. As part of that effort, GCFD has partnered with agencies such as Parker District Fire Department, Gantt District Fire Department and the American Red Cross to conduct "smoke alarm blitzes" in select neighborhoods. Several have been conducted in neighborhoods where structure fires have occurred. During a "blitz," teams of firefighters and volunteers canvass the neighborhood to check each home for working smoke alarms, help residents develop a fire escape plan and provide additional fire safety information. For homes without working smoke alarms, firefighters install 10-year lithium battery smoke alarms for free.

Corley's donation will enable GCFD to purchase and install more than 400 10-year smoke **alarms. Additionally,** GCFD will install strobe/bed shaker alarm kits for residents who are hearing-impaired. "We are thrilled to be a part of this initiative and look forward to working with the Greenville City Fire Department on this project to help families in need," said Chris Corley, owner of Corley Plumbing Air Electric.

City residents can request a smoke alarm by submitting a [Smoke Alarm Request Form](#).
Additionally, residents who believe their smoke alarm is not functioning properly can call 864-232-2273 to request a smoke alarm appointment.

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