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<u>East Dundee Fire District</u> Installing No-Cost Smoke Alarms in Conjunction with Statewide Campaign, October 20-26

East Dundee, IL—In a collaborative effort with the nonprofit Camp I Am Me and the Office of the Illinois State Fire Marshal (OSFM), the East Dundee Fire District will install **FREE** smoke alarms for the residents of East Dundee. The Be Alarmed! Smoke Alarm Installation Program provides smoke alarms and fire prevention materials to Illinois fire departments to educate residents on fire safety and provide them with life-saving devices in their homes.

The statewide smoke alarm blitz campaign, scheduled for **October 20-26**, brings together fire departments from across Illinois to raise awareness about fire prevention and ensure that communities have properly functioning smoke alarms installed in their homes. During Fire Prevention Month, the East Dundee Fire District will install 10-year sealed battery smoke alarms to enhance home safety and protect families.

Smoke alarms are a critical component in fire safety, providing an early warning that can save lives. According to the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), smoke alarms reduce the risk of dying in a reported fire by 50%. Despite this, many households still lack properly functioning smoke alarms. Our initiative seeks to address this gap by providing smoke alarms to those in need.

This essential program aims to enhance fire safety and protect lives by ensuring every household can access reliable smoke detection equipment. Every family deserves to be protected by a smoke alarm, and we are dedicated to making that a reality for our community. This program represents our commitment to safety and our belief that everyone should have the tools they need to protect their loved ones.

In addition to providing smoke alarms, the program includes educating residents on creating home fire escape plans to empower them with the knowledge of how to respond in case of an emergency

Residents interested in learning more about the East Dundee Fire District's smoke alarm installation program are encouraged to directly visit https://edfire.com/bealarmedprogram