



## **Be Alarmed!**

### *Free Smoke Alarm Program*

The North Palos Fire Protection District provides this at no cost to our residents. Our goal is to make sure residents have the protection of a smoke alarm. By having this program our hope is to reduce injury and death of the residents that we serve. Just having a working smoke alarm in your home cuts your chance of dying in a reported fire in half. Smoke alarms are installed by uniformed personnel and are not handed out at our stations. For more information email at [info@northpalosfpd.org](mailto:info@northpalosfpd.org) or call 708-974-4474

## ***Smoke Alarms Save Lives***

Make sure you have working smoke alarms in your home; they are your first line of defense in case of a fire.

“**Be Alarmed!**” is a fire safety education and smoke alarm installation program administered cooperatively between the Illinois Fire Safety Alliance (IFSA) and the Office of the Illinois State Fire Marshal (OSFM). The program distributes fire safety education material and Ionization smoke alarms with a 10-year battery to fire departments in the state of Illinois. The fire departments then deliver the education and install smoke alarms in homes within their communities while recording data for reporting purposes. Both the educational materials and smoke alarms are provided to fire departments at no cost as a result of funding from both IFSA and OSFM with additional assistance from Kidde and Menards.

Test smoke alarms monthly.

Change the batteries every year.

Chirping smoke alarms indicate that the battery needs replacing.

Replace older smoke alarms – Replace alarms every ten years. Its effectiveness degrades after ten years and may not alarm as designed.

The smoke alarms received from the “**Be Alarmed!**” Program are for homeowners only.

Landlords and apartment complex managers are not eligible. The smoke alarms that are installed are replacing battery operated units only!