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HFD Continues Working to Keep Residents Safe

Harrisonburg, Va. - The Harrisonburg Fire Department (HFD) has compiled statistics from the 12th annual Smoke Alarm and Pizza Night event that was held last week on Wednesday, July 8.

Residents living the city could participate in the program by calling CiCi's Pizza or ordering a pizza online and the fire department would deliver a free pizza and check the smoke alarms.

HFD staff and volunteers delivered pizzas and checked smoke alarms in 574 homes and apartments between 4 p.m. and 9 p.m. Fire personnel found more than 1,175 working smoke alarms in these residences, but found a staggering 214 issues among 150 different locations, which is approximately 25% of the participants.

More than 120 batteries were replaced and about 90 new smoke alarms were installed or replaced as a result of the program.

“Hundreds of families in the city are now safer in their homes as a direct result of this annual event,” said Wanda Willis, public education officer with HFD.

Those families unable to participate are still encouraged to check their smoke alarms or contact HFD at 540-432-7703 if assistance is needed. Any city resident without a working smoke alarm should call the fire department for a free smoke alarm.

Pictures from the event are available on [HFD's Facebook page](#).

Additional fire safety information is always available at www.HarrisonburgVA.gov/fire.

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