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## HFD Conducts Smoke Alarm Canvass

Harrisonburg, VA – On Sunday, March 10, firefighters from Harrisonburg Fire Department will visit residents to perform free smoke alarm inspections, replacing batteries and installing smoke alarms as needed. It’s part of a community-wide fire prevention effort. This is part of an effort to reach out to residents, including older adults, young people and residents of neighborhoods, who are vulnerable to fire deaths.

Installing smoke alarms in the homes of Harrisonburg City residents who don’t have them, will increase their odds of surviving a home fire. “Our goal is to make sure residents have the protection of a smoke alarm, in addition to a home fire escape plan”, says Ian Bennett, Fire Chief, Harrisonburg Fire Department.

During the smoke alarm installation program, local firefighters will fan out through the area, visiting residents in various parts of the city. Residents who wish to schedule a home visit should call Erin Stehle at 540-432-7703. By participating in this community smoke alarm installation, the Harrisonburg Fire Department is helping to ensure that residents are safer in their homes.

***The City of Harrisonburg*** is centrally located in the Shenandoah Valley of Virginia. It is home to almost 55,000 people. More information about the City of Harrisonburg is online at [www.HarrisonburgVA.gov](http://www.HarrisonburgVA.gov).



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