

## News Release

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### Firefighters to Install 100 Smoke Detectors

Saturday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>, firefighters will install 100 smoke detectors into the homes of seniors living in Fire District 6. People over the age of 65 are at the greatest risk for fire related injuries and death. The smoke detectors were purchased with funds donated by Paul Davis Restoration. According to Justin Graham, owner of Paul Davis Restoration (serving Portland, SW Washington), disaster may strike in the blink of an eye, anytime, anywhere. “A few simple steps can ensure that you’re prepared before the next emergency arises. We are excited to partner with the fire department to better educate the public on Fire Safety.”

October is Fire Prevention Month and this year’s campaign is “Smoke Alarms: A Sound You Can Live With.” “Smoke detectors are key in helping save lives,” said Dawn Johnson, Public Information Officer, “since more than half of all fire alarms occur when people are sleeping and are only notified of the danger with the loud sound of a working alarm.”

Fire District 6 offers the following tips for making sure smoke alarms are maintained and working properly:

- Test smoke alarms at least once a month using the test button, and make sure everyone in your home knows their sound
- If an alarm “chirps,” warning the battery is low, replace the battery right away
- Replace all smoke alarms, including alarms that use 10-year batteries and hard-wired alarms, when they’re 10 years old (or sooner) if they do not respond properly when tested
- Never remove or disable a smoke alarm

Volunteers with the Salmon Creek Lions Club, Paul Davis Restoration and kids with Juvenile Justice will help firefighters install smoke detectors and replace batteries.

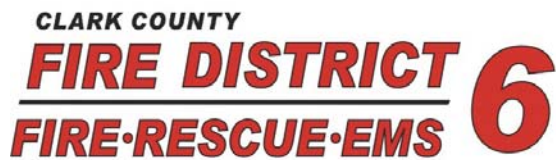
**What: Firefighters Install 100 Smoke Detectors**

**When: Saturday, October 23<sup>rd</sup> @ 9:30 a.m.**

**Where: Meadow Verde Mobile Home Park, 507 NE 99<sup>th</sup> St., Vancouver, WA**

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