



Home Fire Preparedness Campaign & Free Smoke Alarm Installation

Across the Nation, the American Red Cross responds to about 70,000 disasters each year (about 1 every 8 minutes) and in Hawaii, volunteers respond to disasters every 4 days. More than 90% of these disasters are fire-related. In this country, 7 people lose their lives every day from a home fire. Working smoke alarms cut the risk of dying in a fire by half.

The American Red Cross and our partners (including the Maui County Fire Department) are undertaking an unprecedented, nationwide effort with old-fashioned neighbor-to-neighbor outreach to save lives, reduce injuries and cut down on needless losses. Our goal is to reduce the number of fire deaths and injuries in the United States by 25% within five years.

How can I get free smoke alarms?

Residences with no smoke alarms, non-working alarms, or inadequate alarms are eligible to have alarms installed. These are 10-year battery-operated (not hard-wired) alarms. There are no income or other requirements, but the program primarily supports those living in need or in higher risk neighborhoods. Seniors and families with children are a high priority.

How is installation scheduled?

During our upcoming "Sound the Alarm" campaign, volunteers are scheduled to install alarms throughout Maui County. While installing the alarms, volunteers will work with you to develop a Home Fire Escape Plan. They will also be happy, at your request, to conduct a courtesy home inspection and provide Fire Safety tips.

Upcoming installation dates for Maui County are:

Saturday, September 23	Upcountry	Saturday, October 7	Kihei/South Maui
Wednesday, September 27	Kihei/South Maui	Saturday, October 14	Hana/Kaupo
Saturday, September 30	Lana'i	Saturday, October 14	Moloka'i
Saturday, September 30	West Maui/Lahaina		

How can I get more information or schedule installation?

Contact: American Red Cross, Maui County Office
(808) 244-0051

(Feel free to leave a message on our voicemail)