

Free smoke alarms, free installation offered Plenty available; one Saturday date offered on April 29

Residents are reminded that they can still call to have the Fire Department install free smoke alarms at their homes.

Funded through a competitive federal grant, the program provides the free installation of the free alarms to any owner-occupied household, regardless of income.

Call 313-943-2134 to set up an appointment for installation. Appointments are typically only available Monday-Friday.

Saturday, April 29 available

However, new to the program in 2017 is the chance to have smoke detectors installed on Saturday, April 29.

This is possible through a partnership with the American Red Cross. Red Cross volunteers will be installing free smoke

alarms on that day, and residents may request a Saturday appointment by calling the Dearborn Fire Department at the same number, 313-943-2134. Saturday appointments are limited.

Properly installed and working smoke alarms have been shown to drastically reduce the chance of dying in a house fire.

"We continue installing free smoke detectors because we know they save lives," said Dearborn Fire Chief Joseph Murray.

Rental properties do not qualify for the smoke detector program because under Building Codes, they are required to have working alarms already. People living in rental properties with no working smoke alarms should call 313-943-2134 and report this life safety violation.