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## **105 S.C. Fire Departments Receive “Fire Safe South Carolina” Community Designation**

Fire Safe South Carolina (FSSC) and its partners congratulate 105 fire departments in 37 counties across the state on their active participation in developing community risk reduction (CRR) plans for their jurisdictions in 2021.

These designated communities continually work to reduce fire-related injuries in our state, thereby decreasing the risks for residents and firefighters. They also promote consistent fire safety messaging and stress the importance of providing all relative data collected at fire scenes.

“The enthusiasm for obtaining this designation continues to grow, and we remain encouraged by active participation,” Community Risk Reduction Chief Josh Fulbright said.

“We congratulate the 105 designees and are excited to see a 30 percent increase from last year,” he said. “We look forward to recognizing them with a formal award ceremony during the June Fire-Rescue Conference in Myrtle Beach.”

To earn the “Fire Safe South Carolina” designation, fire departments completed courses to improve data quality, trained community partners to deliver in-home safety visits, and further developed their skills through online National Fire Academy courses in risk reduction and assessment.

In 2021, 366 new community partners were identified statewide, more than 1,000 fire service members were educated on risk reduction-related topics, and nearly 500,000 citizens were educated on fire and life safety topics by local fire departments.

“As we move forward, community relationships must continually be built and nurtured to form mutually-beneficial partnerships,” he said. These relationships create sustainability in risk reduction efforts, ultimately saving lives.”

Launched in 2017, Fire Safe SC’s partners include the S.C. State Firefighters’ Association, the S.C. State Association of Fire Chiefs, and the S.C. Fire Marshal Association. Together, they announce the following 105 fire departments have obtained the Fire Safe SC Community designation.



## 2021 Fire Safe South Carolina Designated Communities

Abbeville City Fire and Rescue  
Abbeville County Fire  
Aiken Department of Public Safety  
Allendale County Fire & Rescue  
Anderson County Fire Protection Commission  
Anderson Fire Department  
Awendaw-McClellanville Consolidated Fire District  
Belmont Fire Department  
Belton Fire Department  
Belvedere Fire Department  
Bennettsville Fire Department  
Bluffton Township Fire District  
Boiling Springs Fire Department Greenville  
Boiling Springs Fire Department of Spartanburg  
Bonham Fire Department  
Buffalo-Cherokee VFD  
Camden Fire Department  
Cash Rural Fire Department  
Charleston Fire Department  
Cheraw Fire Department  
Cherokee Springs Fire Department  
Clarendon County Fire Rescue  
Clemson University Fire and EMS  
Clinton Fire  
Colleton County Fire-Rescue  
Columbia-Richland Fire & Rescue  
City of Conway Fire Department  
Crosswell Fire District  
Dacusville Fire Department  
Darlington County Fire District  
Dorchester County Fire Rescue  
City of Easley Fire Department  
Fairfield County Fire Service  
Flint Hill Fire Rescue  
Florence Fire Department  
Fort Mill Fire Department  
Fountain Inn Fire Department  
Gaffney Fire Department  
Georgetown City Fire Department  
Georgetown County Fire/EMS  
Glassy Mountain Fire Service Area  
Grassy Pond Fire Department  
Greenville City Fire Department  
City of Greer Fire Department  
Hardeeville Fire Department  
Hartsville Fire Department  
Hilton Head Island Fire Rescue  
Hodges-Cokesbury Fire & Rescue Unit  
Honea Path Fire Department  
Horry County Fire Rescue  
Howe Springs Fire Rescue  
Irmo Fire District  
Isle of Palms Fire Department  
James Island PSD Fire Department  
Jasper County Fire Rescue  
Kershaw County Fire Service  
Kingstree Fire Department  
Lady's Island-St. Helena Fire District  
Lake City Fire Department  
Lancaster City Fire Department  
Lancaster County Fire Rescue  
Lee County Fire and Rescue  
Liberty Area Fire District  
Long Branch Fire Department  
Lugoff Fire Rescue  
Mayo Fire Department  
Midway Fire Rescue  
Mount Pleasant Fire Department  
Murrells Inlet-Garden City Fire District  
Myrtle Beach Fire Department  
City of Newberry Fire Department  
North Charleston Fire Department  
North Myrtle Beach Department of Public Safety  
Orangeburg County Fire District  
Parker District Fire Department  
Pelham-Batesville Fire Department  
Pickens Fire Department  
Pickens Rural Fire/Rescue  
Piedmont Park Fire District  
Poplar Springs Fire Department  
Richland County Fire Marshal's Office  
Saluda County Fire Service  
Sandy Branch Volunteer Fire Department  
Santee Fire District  
Sardis-Timmonsville Fire Department  
Shady Grove Fire Department  
Sheldon Township Fire District  
South Lynchess Fire Department  
City of Spartanburg Fire Department  
St. Andrews Fire Department  
St. John's Fire District  
Sumter Fire Department  
Surfside Beach Fire Department  
Taylors Fire Department  
Tega Cay Fire Department  
Town of McCormick Fire Department  
Travelers Rest Fire Department  
Tyger River Fire Service Area  
Vineyards Fire District  
West Columbia Fire Department  
West Florence Fire Rescue  
Westview-Fairforest Fire Department  
Williamsburg County Fire Department  
Winnsboro Department of Public Safety  
City of York Fire Department