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132 S.C. Fire Departments Receive “Fire Safe South Carolina” Community Designation

Fire Safe South Carolina (FSSC) and its partners congratulate 132 fire departments across the state on their active participation in developing community risk reduction (CRR) plans for their jurisdictions in 2022.

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 132 designees and are excited again to see a net-gain of more than 25 percent in those participating 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 2022, 536 community partners were identified statewide, more than 2,500 fire service members were educated on risk reduction-related topics, and almost one million citizens were educated on fire and life safety topics.

“Nearly one million citizens were educated last year on ways to stay fire safe thanks to the commitment and dedication of our 132 Fire Safe South Carolina fire departments and our community partners,” Fulbright said. “The efforts will not stop there as we continue to work together to educate more people and make South Carolina fire safe.”

Launched in 2017, Fire Safe SC’s partners include the S.C. State Firefighters’ Association, the S.C. State Association of Fire Chiefs, the S.C. Fire Marshal Association, and the S.C. Chapter of the International Association of Arson Investigators. Together, they announce the following 132 South Carolina fire departments have obtained the Fire Safe SC Community designation.

Congratulations to the 2022

Fire Safe South Carolina 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 Fire District
Belmont Fire Department
Belton Fire Department
Belvedere Fire Department
Bennettsville Fire Department
Bethany Fire Department
Blacksburg Volunteer Fire Department
Bluffton Township Fire District
Boiling Springs Fire Dept. Spartanburg
Boiling Springs Fire Dept. Greenville
Bonham Fire Department
Buffalo-Cherokee VFD
C & B Fire Department
Calhoun Falls Fire Department
Camden Fire Department
Cash Rural Fire Department
Chappells Rescue Squad
Charleston Fire Department
Cheraw Fire Department
Cherokee Springs Fire Department
Chester City Fire Department
Clarendon County Fire Rescue
Clemson University Fire and EMS
Clinton Fire
Colleton County Fire-Rescue
Columbia-Richland Fire & Rescue
Conway Fire Department
Crosswell Fire District
Dacusville Fire Department
Darlington County Fire District
Dorchester County Fire Rescue
Drayton Fire Department
Due West Town Fire Rescue
Duncan Fire Department
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
Goose Creek Rural Fire Department
Greenville City Fire Department
Greer Fire Department
GVW Volunteer Fire Department
Hanahan Fire and EMS
Hardeeville Fire Department
Hartsville Fire Department
Hilton Head Island Fire Rescue
Hodges-Cokesbury Fire & Rescue
Holly Springs Vol Fire Department
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
Jonesville Fire District
Kershaw County Fire Service
Kingstree Fire Department
Lady's Island-St. Helena Fire District
Lake City Fire Department
Lake Cunningham Fire Department
Lancaster City Fire Department
Lancaster County Fire Rescue
Laurens City Fire Department
Lee County Fire and Rescue
Lexington County Fire Service
Liberty Area Fire District
Lockhart Volunteer Fire Department
Long Branch Fire Department
Lugoff Fire Rescue
Marion Fire Department
Mayo Fire Department
Mauldin Fire Department
Midway Fire Rescue
Monarch Fire Department
Mount Pleasant Fire Department
Murrells Inlet-Garden City Fire Dist.
Myrtle Beach Fire Department
Newberry Fire Department
North Charleston Fire Department

North Myrtle Fire/Rescue
North Spartanburg Fire Department
Oconee County Emergency Services
Parker District Fire Department
Pelham-Batesville Fire Department
Philippi Fire Department
Pickens Fire Department
Pickens Rural Fire/Rescue
Piedmont Park Fire District
Pine Ridge Fire Department
Poplar Springs Fire Department
Richland Co Fire Marshal's Office
Riverview Vol. Fire Department
Sandy Branch Vol. Fire Department
Santuc Fire Department
Sardis-Timmons Fire
Department
Shady Grove Fire Department
Slater-Marietta Fire Department
South Greenville Fire District
South Lynches Fire
Southside Fire District
Spartanburg Fire District
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
Union City Fire Department
West Columbia Fire Department
West Florence Fire Rescue
Westview-Fairforest Fire
Department
Whitesville Fire Department
Whitney Fire Department
Williamsburg County Fire
Department
York County Fire
York Fire Department