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207 S.C. Fire Departments Receive Fire Safe South Carolina Community Designation

Fire Safe South Carolina, and its partners, congratulate 207 South Carolina fire departments for receiving their 2024 Community Designation.

These designated communities continually work to reduce home fire-related injuries in South Carolina, thereby decreasing the risks for residents and firefighters. They promote consistent fire and life safety messaging and stress the importance of providing data collected in response to fires and other emergency calls for service.

The 207 fire departments receiving the community designation represent a nearly 35 percent increase from the previous year.

“The enthusiasm for obtaining this designation continues to grow,” Community Risk Reduction Chief Josh Fulbright said. “Many departments have received this recognition for the first time, some seek it again with new purpose, and others receiving since the 2017 inception continue to build depth within their organization.”

Departments will be formally recognized during a June 13 award ceremony at the 2025 Fire-Rescue Conference in Myrtle Beach. The ceremony begins at 3:30 p.m.

To earn Community Designation, fire departments complete courses to increase their departments’ Community Risk Reduction efforts, document opportunities for public education, and work with partners to address risks in their community.

Last year, because of their efforts, 279 community partners were identified (11 percent increase since 2023), nearly 1,284 fire service members were educated on risk reduction-related topics (nearly triple since 2023), and more than 1.1 million citizens (70 percent increase since 2023) were educated on fire and life safety topics.

“As a result of the hard work, commitment, and dedication of these departments and their community partners, more than one million citizens were educated on ways to stay “Fire Safe,” Fulbright said. “Efforts will not stop there. We will continue to work together to educate even more citizens and implement other risk reduction practices proactively to get ahead of calls for service in South Carolina.”

Launched in 2017, partners in Fire Safe SC include the S.C. State Firefighters’ Association, the S.C. State Association of Fire Chiefs, the S.C. Fire Marshal Association, the S.C. Chapter of the International Association of Arson Investigators and the S.C. Office of State Fire Marshal. Together, they announce the following 207 fire departments have obtained the Fire Safe SC Community Designation.

2024 Fire Safe SC Designated Communities by County

Abbeville

Abbeville City Fire and Rescue
Abbeville County Fire
Antreville Fire Department
Bethia Fire Department
Broadmouth Turkey Creek Fire Department
Cold Springs Fire Rescue
Donalds Rural Fire Department
Edgewood Fire Rescue
Keowee Fire Department
Long Cane Fire Department
Lowndesville Fire Department
Monterey Rural Fire Department
Sharon Rural Fire Department
Town of Due West Fire & Rescue

Aiken

Aiken Department of Public Safety
Belvedere Fire Department
GVW Volunteer Fire Department
Midland Valley Fire Department
Monetta Community Volunteer Fire Department
North Augusta Public Safety

Allendale

Allendale County Fire & Rescue

Anderson

Anderson County Fire Protection Commission
Anderson Fire Department
Belton Fire Department
Honea Path Fire Department

Bamburg

Denmark Fire Department

Barnwell

Williston Fire Department

Beaufort

Bluffton Township Fire District
City of Beaufort/Town of Port Royal Fire Department
Hilton Head Island Fire Rescue
Lady's Island - St. Helena District
Sheldon Township Fire Department

Berkeley

C & B Fire Department
Caromi Fire Department
Central Berkeley Fire & EMS
East Berkeley Fire Department
Goose Creek City Fire Department
Goose Creek Rural Fire Department
Hanahan Fire and EMS
Moncks Corner Rural Fire Department
North Berkeley Fire District
Pimlico Rural Volunteer Fire Department
Pine Ridge Fire Department
Town of Moncks Corner Fire Department

Calhoun

Fort Motte Volunteer Fire Department
St. Matthews Fire Department

Charleston

Awendaw-McClellanville Fire District
Charleston Fire Department
Isle of Palms Fire Department
James Island PSD Fire Department
Joint Base Charleston Fire & Emergency Services
Mount Pleasant Fire Department
North Charleston Fire Department
St. Andrews Fire Department
St. John's Fire District
St. Pauls Fire District
Sullivan's Island Fire and Rescue

Cherokee

Buffalo-Cherokee Vol. Fire Department
Cherokee Creek Fire Department
Gaffney Fire Department
Macedonia Fire Department

Chester

Chester City Fire Department
Chester County Fire, Great Falls Fire Station
Fort Lawn Fire Protection District
Richburg Fire Rescue



Chesterfield

Cash Rural Fire Department
Cheraw Fire Department
Pageland Fire Department

Clarendon

Clarendon County Fire Rescue
Manning Fire Department

Colleton

Colleton County Fire-Rescue
Edisto Beach Fire Department

Darlington

Darlington City Fire Department
Darlington County Fire District
Hartsville Fire Department

Darlington

Palmetto Rural Fire Department

Dillon

Dillion County Station 9

Dorchester

Dorchester County Fire Rescue
Summerville Fire & Rescue

Fairfield

Fairfield County Fire Service
Winnsboro Department of Public Safety

Florence

Florence Fire Department
Hannah-Salem-Friendfield Fire District
Howe Springs Fire Rescue
Johnsonville Fire Department
Lake City Fire Department
Olanta Fire Department
Sardis-Timmonsville Fire Department
South Lynches Fire Department
West Florence Fire Rescue

Georgetown

Georgetown City Fire Department
Georgetown County Fire/EMS
Midway Fire Rescue
Murrells Inlet-Garden City Fire District

Greenville

Boiling Springs Fire District
Clear Spring Fire-Rescue
Duncan Chapel Fire District
Fountain Inn Fire Department

Gantt District Fire Department
Glassy Mountain Fire Service Area
Greenville City Fire Department
Greer Fire Department
Lake Cunningham Fire Department
Mauldin Fire Department
Parker District Fire Department
Piedmont Park Fire District
Simpsonville Fire Department
Slater-Marietta Fire Department
South Greenville Fire District
Taylors Fire Department
Travelers Rest Fire Department

Greenwood

Hodges-Cokesbury Fire & Rescue
Northwest Volunteer Fire Department

Hampton

Hampton County Fire Rescue

Horry

Conway Fire Department
Horry County Fire Rescue
Loris Fire Department
Myrtle Beach Fire Department
North Myrtle Fire/Rescue
Surfside Beach Fire Department

Jasper

Hardeeville Fire Department
Jasper County Fire Rescue

Kershaw

Camden Fire Department
Kershaw County Fire Service
Lugoff Fire Rescue

Lancaster

Lancaster City Fire Department
Lancaster County Fire Rescue

Laurens

Clinton Fire Department
Laurens City Department

Lee

Lee County Fire and Rescue

Lexington

Batesburg-Leesville Fire Department
Cayce Fire Department
Irmo Fire District



Lexington County Fire Service
West Columbia Fire Department

Marion

Marion Fire Department

Marlboro

Bennettsville Fire Department
Blenheim Volunteer Fire Department

McCormick

Sandy Branch Volunteer Fire Department

Newberry

Chappells Fire Department
Little Mountain Fire Department
Newberry Fire Department

Oconee

Oconee County Emergency Services
Westminster Fire Department

Orangeburg

Cordova Volunteer Fire Department
Orangeburg County Fire District
Orangeburg DPS Fire Department
Santee Fire District Inc.

Pickens

Central Fire Department
Clemson University Fire and EMS
Crosswell Fire District
Dacusville Fire Department
Easley Fire Department
Holly Spring Fire Department
Liberty Area Fire District
Pickens Fire Department
Pickens Rural Fire/Rescue
Pumpkintown Volunteer Fire Department
Shady Grove Fire Department

Richland

Columbia-Richland Fire Department
Richland County Fire Marshal Office

Saluda

Saluda County Fire Service

Spartanburg

Boiling Springs Fire District
Cherokee Springs Fire Department
Chesnee Fire Department
Converse Fire Department
Cowpens Fire Department

Drayton Fire Department
Duncan Fire Department
Glendale Fire Department
Hilltop Fire District
Holly Springs Fire Department
Inman City Fire Department
Inman Community Fire Department
Landrum Area Fire & Rescue District
Mayo Fire Department
New Prospect Fire Department
North Spartanburg Fire Department
Pacolet Fire Department
Pelham-Batesville Fire Department
Poplar Springs Fire Department
South Spartanburg Fire District
Spartanburg Fire Department
Startex Volunteer Fire Department
Tyger River Fire Service Area
Westview-Fairforest Fire Department
Whitney Fire Department

Sumter

Sumter Fire Department

Union

Bonham Fire Department
Carlisle Volunteer Fire Department
Cross Keys Volunteer Fire Department
Jonesville Fire District
Lockhart Volunteer Fire Department
Philippi Fire Department
Santuc Fire Department
Southside Fire District
Union City Fire Department

Williamsburg

Kingstree Fire Department
Williamsburg County Fire Department

York

Bethel Fire Department
Flint Hill Fire Rescue
Fort Mill Fire Department
Riverview Volunteer Fire Department
Rock Hill Fire Department
Tega Cay Fire Department
York County Fire
York Fire Department