

Fire Prevention Week is Oct. 9-15

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This year marks 100 years of the National Fire Prevention Association's Fire Prevention Week, aimed at educating the public on fire safety. This year's fire prevention campaign, "Fire won't wait. Plan your escape,™" addresses the need to be prepared with a fire escape plan. The changes in building construction and materials being used in homes today have created fires that increase in growth much faster than a century ago. In today's home environment, families have less than 2 minutes to get out safely once their smoke alarm sounds. This makes home fire escape planning an important step in making sure your family is safe.

Here are some tips on creating your fire escape plan:

- Draw a map of your home and mark two ways to get out of each room.
- Include every member of your family in your plan. This includes children and older adults who may need assistance getting out.
- Make sure all escape routes are clear and that doors and windows are easy to open.
- Pick an outside meeting place. This can include a mailbox, light post, or stop sign. The meeting place will be something permanent where everyone in your home can meet.
- Everyone in your home should know how to call 911!
- Practice! Practice! Practice! Conduct fire drills with your family and make sure everyone knows the plan.

Fire escape planning is a great first step in making sure that when the smoke alarms sound, your family knows what to do. We plan for many things in life, and fire safety should be one of them!



SAV FIRE DEPARTMENT OPEN HOUSE

SATURDAY, OCT. 1

1-4 P.M.

FREE EVENT

3505 SILVER LAKE RD.

BOUNCY HOUSE

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