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Smoke Detector Facts

Smoke detectors are your “nose at night”. They can smell gases and smoke which can be deadly. If they are properly installed and maintained, they can protect everyone living in the home.

Recommend places to install smoke detectors:

- One on every level of the home.
- One in all sleeping areas including bedrooms and guest rooms.
- In hallways near sleeping areas and storage areas.
- Follow the instructions on how to use, maintain and replace smoke alarms.

Do NOT place smoke detectors in the following places:

- Kitchens, garages or laundry rooms.
- Bathrooms and showers.
- Dusty or greasy areas.
- Close to ceiling fans or air vents.

How to keep smoke detectors working properly:

- Test smoke detectors once a month.
- Batteries should be changed annually.
- A “chirping” sound means a new battery is needed.
- Keep your smoke alarm clean; vacuum monthly.
- Never paint a smoke alarm.
- Smoke alarms need to be replaced every 7 - 10 years.

Make sure everyone knows what your smoke detector sounds like.

For more information about smoke alarms, call the Park Forest Fire Department, Fire Prevention Bureau at 708-748-5605 or visit our web site www.vopf.com

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