

We are always looking for ideas to strengthen our Fire Prevention efforts and continue helping West Virginian's stay safe. Do you have an idea, or suggestions for great programs to bring to the fire service? Please send them to our Public Education Division, courtney.a.rosemond@wv.gov or timothy.r.rock@wv.gov

Need a new Fire Prevention Idea?

- Partner with the Red Cross to provide and install smoke detectors in your community.
<http://www.Redcross.org>
- After a fire canvass the area with fire prevention materials (door hangers, flyers, alarm surveys).
<https://www.usfa.fema.gov/prevention/outreach/children.html>
- Take a National Fire Academy Course. Maybe the "Changing American Family at Risk" or others.
<https://www.usfa.fema.gov/training/nfa/>
- Survey homes in your community for smoke detectors and fire safety.
- Sponsor or take a Public Education or Community Risk Reduction Course at a local fire school.
- Write a grant to enhance your public education efforts.
<http://www.nea.org/home/10476.htm>
<http://www.getedfunding.com/c/index.web?s@MUWFIWYoFgLFs>
- Participate in the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) Fire Prevention Week October 8- 14, 2017.
<http://www.nfpa.org/public-education/campaigns/fire-prevention-week>
- Participate in the WV Governor's Day of Service in the Fall.
<http://daytoserve.org/>
- Visit local schools and provide fire and life safety education materials or "Read" aloud program.
<http://www.nfpa.org/public-education/outreach/join-sparky-the-fire-dog-for-read-for-fire-safety>
- Present the NFPA "Remembering When" program to a group of seniors.
<http://www.nfpa.org/public-education/resources/education-programs/remembering-when>
- Think outside the box and combine Fire Prevention Education and Recruitment. Example: While taking children through a fire safety house, discuss opportunities for adults to become involved in their local fire department.
- Advertise and use Public Service Announcements through news media, bill boards, movie theaters sporting events, etc.
<http://www.psaresearch.com/faq.html>
- Start a 4H or Venture Scouting Fire Service Youth program for 14-21 year olds.
<http://4-hyd.ext.wvu.edu/>
- Consider a Fire & Life Safety Clown or Puppet Program.
<https://youtu.be/cFSPu-SC06A>
- Join the Community Risk Reduction Network at <http://strategicfire.org/crr>
- Gather data to begin a Community Risk Reduction Program.
<http://strategicfire.org/community-risk-reduction/training-materials-and-videos/>

- What about a Carbon Monoxide Detector program?
<http://www.kidde.com/home-safety/en/us/partners/non-profit-partners/>
- Support the WV Fire Marshal's Fire Prevention Poster Contest in your local elementary schools.
<http://www.firemarshal.wv.gov/Divisions/Fire%20Services/Documents/Pub%20Ed/Poster%20Contest%20web%20version.pdf>
- Organize an Open House, Ice Cream Social or other event to support public education and recruitment.
- Demonstrate and train people on how to use a fire extinguisher.
<http://www.fireextinguishertraining.com/>
- Would your community benefit from starting a Community Emergency Response Team (CERT).
<http://www.ready.wv.gov/WESTVIRGINIACITIZENCORPS/Pages/CERT.aspx>