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Bluffton Township Fire District achieves fourth "Fire Safe SC Community" designation

Bluffton, SC – For the fourth consecutive year, Bluffton Township Fire District has received a "Fire Safe South Carolina Community" designation for its commitment to reducing fire-related injuries and promoting consistent fire safety messaging. The Fire District will receive official recognition at this year's Fire-Rescue Conference to be held in Myrtle Beach this coming June.

To earn the "Fire Safe South Carolina" designation, fire district staff completed courses intended to improve data quality related to fire scenes, conducted in-home safety visits, and further developed their skills through National Fire Academy courses in risk reduction and assessment.

According to SC State Fire, almost one million citizens across the state received education on fire and life-safety topics from fire departments participating in the program.

"Being recognized as a Fire Safe South Carolina Community is quite an honor for the Fire District," Fire Chief Paul Boulware said.

"This designation demonstrates our commitment to providing educational resources and community outreach to build a safer community," he said. "By helping residents understand how to protect their families from fire-related injuries and developing prevention programs to reduce the risk of fires in homes, we increase overall community safety."

Fire Safe SC was launched as a statewide initiative in 2017 through collaboration with the SC State Firefighters' Association, the SC State Association of Fire Chiefs, the SC Fire Marshal Association, and the SC Chapter of the International Association of Arson Investigators. This year 132 fire departments in the state achieved the "Fire Safe South Carolina Community" designation.

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