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MOUNT VERNON—The Mount Vernon Fire Department is collaborating with the American Red Cross to make Mount Vernon residents safer in their homes.

This Saturday, March 30th, the agencies will be in the Mountain View and Evergreen Mobile Home communities for a Smoke Alarm Installation Day. The travelling event is an opportunity for residents in the area to have volunteers visit and install free smoke detectors in their homes.

Saturday's event is the second Smoke Alarm Installation event to occur this month. On March 16th, 73 smoke alarms were installed in 32 Mount Vernon homes, in the Park Village neighborhood.

According to the Red Cross website, 7 people die in home fires every day. Sadly, most of those victims do not have smoke alarms. A campaign to install free smoke alarms was launched in 2014, and to-date over 1.5 million alarms have been distributed and installed.

Appointments for this Saturday's 9am to 4pm event are encouraged and can be made now through the day of the event, by visiting: <https://getasmokealarm.org/>

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