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## **208 S.C. Fire Departments Receive Fire Safe South Carolina Community Designation**

Fire Safe South Carolina, and its partners, congratulate 208 South Carolina fire departments for receiving their 2024 Community Designation.

These designated communities continually work to reduce home fire-related injuries in South Carolina, thereby decreasing the risks for residents and firefighters. They promote consistent fire and life safety messaging and stress the importance of providing data collected in response to fires and other emergency calls for service.

The 208 fire departments receiving the community designation represent a nearly 35 percent increase from the previous year.

“The enthusiasm for obtaining this designation continues to grow,” Community Risk Reduction Chief Josh Fulbright said. “Many departments have received this recognition for the first time, some seek it again with new purpose, and others receiving since the 2017 inception continue to build depth within their organization.”

Departments will be formally recognized during a June 13 award ceremony at the 2025 Fire-Rescue Conference in Myrtle Beach. The ceremony begins at 3:30 p.m.

To earn Community Designation, fire departments complete courses to increase their departments Community Risk Reduction efforts, document opportunities of public education, and work with partners to address risks in their community.

Last year, because of their efforts, 279 community partners were identified (11 percent increase since 2023), nearly 1,284 fire service members were educated on risk reduction-related topics (nearly triple since 2023), and more than 1.1 million citizens (70 percent increase since 2023) were educated on fire and life safety topics.

“As a result of the hard work, commitment, and dedication of these departments and their community partners, more than one million citizens were educated on ways to stay “Fire Safe,” Fulbright said. “Efforts will not stop there. We will continue to work together to educate even more citizens and implement other risk reduction practices proactively to get ahead of calls for service in South Carolina.”

Launched in 2017, partners in Fire Safe SC include the S.C. State Firefighters’ Association, the S.C. State Association of Fire Chiefs, the S.C. Fire Marshal Association, the S.C. Chapter of the International Association of Arson Investigators and the S.C. Office of State Fire Marshal. Together, they announce the following 208 fire departments have obtained the Fire Safe SC Community Designation.

## 2024 Fire Safe SC Designated Communities by County

### Abbeville

Abbeville City Fire and Rescue  
Abbeville County Fire  
Antreville Fire Department  
Bethia Fire Department  
Broadmouth Turkey Creek Fire Department  
Cold Spring Fire Rescue  
Donalds Rural Fire Department  
Edgewood Fire Rescue  
Keowee Fire Department  
Long Cane Fire Department  
Lowndesville Fire Department  
Monterey Rural Fire Department  
Sharon Rural Fire Department  
Town of Due West Fire & Rescue

### Aiken

Aiken Department of Public Safety  
Belvedere Fire Department  
GVW Volunteer Fire Department  
Midland Valley Fire Department  
Monetta Community Volunteer Fire Department  
North Augusta Public Safety

### Allendale

Allendale County Fire & Rescue

### Anderson

Anderson County Fire Protection Commission  
Anderson Fire Department  
Belton Fire Department  
Honea Path Fire Department

### Bamburg

Denmark Fire Department

### Barnwell

Williston Fire Department

### Beaufort

Bluffton Township Fire District  
City of Beaufort/Town of Port Royal Fire Department  
Hilton Head Island Fire Rescue  
Lady's Island - St. Helena District  
Sheldon Township Fire Department

### Berkeley

C & B Fire Department  
Caromi Fire Department  
Central Berkeley Fire & EMS  
East Berkeley Fire Department  
Goose Creek City Fire Department  
Goose Creek Rural Fire Department  
Hanahan Fire and EMS  
Moncks Corner Rural Fire Department  
North Berkeley Fire District  
Pimlico Rural Volunteer Fire Department  
Pine Ridge Fire Department  
Town of Moncks Corner Fire Department

### Calhoun

Fort Motte Volunteer Fire Department  
St. Matthews Fire Department

### Charleston

Awendaw-McClellanville Fire District  
Charleston Fire Department  
Isle of Palms Fire Department  
James Island PSD Fire Department  
Joint Base Charleston Fire & Emergency Services  
Mount Pleasant Fire Department  
North Charleston Fire Department  
St. Andrews Fire Department  
St. John's Fire District  
St. Pauls Fire District  
Sullivan's Island Fire and Rescue

### Cherokee

Buffalo-Cherokee Vol. Fire Department  
Cherokee Creek Fire Department  
Gaffney Fire Department  
Macedonia Fire Department

### Chester

Chester City Fire Department  
Chester County Fire, Great Falls Fire Station  
Fort Lawn Fire Protection District  
Richburg Fire Rescue



**Chesterfield**

Cash Rural Fire Department  
Cheraw Fire Department  
Pageland Fire Department

**Clarendon**

Clarendon County Fire Rescue  
Manning Fire Department

**Colleton**

Colleton County Fire-Rescue  
Edisto Beach Fire Department

**Darlington**

Darlington City Fire Department  
Darlington County Fire District  
Hartsville Fire Department  
Palmetto Rural Fire Department

**Dillon**

Dillion County Station 9

**Dorchester**

Dorchester County Fire Rescue  
Summerville Fire & Rescue

**Fairfield**

Fairfield County Fire Service  
Winnsboro Department of Public Safety

**Florence**

Florence Fire Department  
Hannah-Salem-Friendfield Fire District  
Howe Springs Fire Rescue  
Johnsonville Fire Department  
Lake City Fire Department  
Olanta Fire Department  
Sardis-Timmons Fire Department  
South Lynches Fire Department  
West Florence Fire Rescue

**Georgetown**

Georgetown City Fire Department  
Georgetown County Fire/EMS  
Midway Fire Rescue  
Murrells Inlet-Garden City Fire District

**Greenville**

Boiling Springs Fire District  
Clear Spring Fire-Rescue  
Duncan Chapel Fire District  
Fountain Inn Fire Department  
Gantt District Fire Department

Glassy Mountain Fire Service Area  
Greenville City Fire Department  
Greer Fire Department  
Lake Cunningham Fire Department  
Mauldin Fire Department  
Parker District Fire Department  
Piedmont Park Fire District  
Simpsonville Fire Department  
Slater-Marietta Fire Department  
South Greenville Fire District  
Taylors Fire Department  
Travelers Rest Fire Department

**Greenwood**

Greenwood Fire Department  
Hodges-Cokesbury Fire & Rescue  
Northwest Volunteer Fire Department

**Hampton**

Hampton County Fire Rescue

**Horry**

Conway Fire Department  
Horry County Fire Rescue  
Loris Fire Department  
Myrtle Beach Fire Department  
North Myrtle Fire/Rescue  
Surfside Beach Fire Department

**Jasper**

Hardeeville Fire Department  
Jasper County Fire Rescue

**Kershaw**

Camden Fire Department  
Kershaw County Fire Service  
Lugoff Fire Rescue

**Lancaster**

Lancaster City Fire Department  
Lancaster County Fire Rescue

**Laurens**

Clinton Fire Department  
Laurens City Department

**Lee**

Lee County Fire and Rescue

**Lexington**

Batesburg-Leesville Fire Department  
Cayce Fire Department  
Irmo Fire District



Lexington County Fire Service  
West Columbia Fire Department

**Marion**

Marion Fire Department

**Marlboro**

Bennettsville Fire Department  
Blenheim Volunteer Fire Department

**McCormick**

Sandy Branch Volunteer Fire Department

**Newberry**

Chappells Fire Department  
Little Mountain Fire Department  
Newberry Fire Department

**Oconee**

Oconee County Emergency Services  
Westminster Fire Department

**Orangeburg**

Cordova Volunteer Fire Department  
Orangeburg County Fire District  
Orangeburg DPS Fire Department  
Santee Fire District Inc.

**Pickens**

Central Fire Department  
Clemson University Fire and EMS  
Crosswell Fire District  
Dacusville Fire Department  
Easley Fire Department  
Holly Spring Fire Department  
Liberty Area Fire District  
Pickens Fire Department  
Pickens Rural Fire/Rescue  
Pumpkintown Volunteer Fire Department  
Shady Grove Fire Department

**Richland**

Columbia-Richland Fire Department  
Richland County Fire Marshal Office

**Saluda**

Saluda County Fire Service

**Spartanburg**

Boiling Springs Fire District  
Cherokee Springs Fire Department  
Chesnee Fire Department  
Converse Fire Department  
Cowpens Fire Department

Drayton Fire Department  
Duncan Fire Department  
Glendale Fire Department  
Hilltop Fire District  
Holly Springs Fire Department  
Inman City Fire Department  
Inman Community Fire Department  
Landrum Area Fire & Rescue District  
Mayo Fire Department  
New Prospect Fire Department  
North Spartanburg Fire Department  
Pacolet Fire Department  
Pelham-Batesville Fire Department  
Poplar Springs Fire Department  
South Spartanburg Fire District  
Spartanburg Fire Department  
Startex Volunteer Fire Department  
Tyger River Fire Service Area  
Westview-Fairforest Fire Department  
Whitney Fire Department

**Sumter**

Sumter Fire Department

**Union**

Bonham Fire Department  
Carlisle Volunteer Fire Department  
Cross Keys Volunteer Fire Department  
Jonesville Fire District  
Lockhart Volunteer Fire Department  
Philippi Fire Department  
Santuc Fire Department  
Southside Fire District  
Union City Fire Department

**Williamsburg**

Kingstree Fire Department  
Williamsburg County Fire Department

**York**

Bethel Fire Department  
Flint Hill Fire Rescue  
Fort Mill Fire Department  
Riverview Volunteer Fire Department  
Rock Hill Fire Department  
Tega Cay Fire Department  
York County Fire  
York Fire Department