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NEWS RELEASE

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NEW SMOKE ALARM PROGRAM FOR PETAWAWA SENIORS & DISABLED PERSONS

A working smoke alarm can save your life!



The Town of Petawawa Fire Prevention Bureau is pleased to launch a new life saving fire protection program to better protect our senior citizens and disabled persons residing within the Municipality of Petawawa.

A free smoke alarm inspection and installation program by members of the Petawawa Fire Department can be conducted upon request.

Effective **IMMEDIATELY**, if you are a senior or a person who is physically challenged residing in the Town of Petawawa and would like the Petawawa Fire Department to check your smoke alarm free of charge, please call **613 687 4759** or contact Chief Fire Prevention Officer Clem Paradis by email at **cparadis@petawawa.ca**

Smoke alarm can be supplied for a minimum cost.

Fires can be deadly. You may have just seconds to safely escape a fire in your home. That's why early detection of fire is absolutely vital. Only working smoke alarms provide those precious seconds you and your family need to safely escape.

In a fire, most people die from smoke, not from flames. Smoke makes it hard for you to see, and even two deep breaths of smoke can make it hard to think clearly or stay awake. You must avoid smoke.

Most fatal fires occur at night when people are asleep in their homes. Often, victims never wake up.

A working smoke alarm will detect smoke and sound an alarm to alert the occupants, giving them precious time to escape. Every home in Ontario must have a working smoke alarm on every storey and outside all sleeping areas.

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