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When it comes to fires, the minimum education of the overall population has empowered the Fire Department to contribute to making Cincinnati a more bearable city. The Department and its Fire Prevention Division zeroed in on the population most in danger, to guarantee their wellbeing, and simultaneously, supported life -saving messages to the overall population.

Fire debacles have an influence on all public, and when it comes to kids, this knowledge can be cultivated in numerous ways. The most significant and effective are the projects introduced in schools, fire drills, and talks that can be given by the Division and fire organization faculty, which are part of their obligation.

The Department additionally centers around the senior residents, introducing to them fundamental data that they should know when it comes to their residents, their job, or their casual surroundings.

Fire prevention week was set up to recognize the incomparable Chicago fire, it is remembered all over the country creating special events in order to reduce the chances to let something of that caliber happen again. The unfortunate 1871 fire that killed in excess of 250 individuals, left 100,000 destitute, annihilated in excess of 17,400 designs, and burned more than 2000 sections of land.

The fire started on October 8, however, proceeded into and did a large portion of its harm on October 9, 1871. As indicated by famous legend, the fire broke out after a cow – having a place with Mrs. Cathrine O'Leary – kicked over a light, setting first the horse shelter, then, at that point, the entire city ablaze. This reason has been a legend for over 130 years, however, there is no verification.

National Fire Prevention Association (NFPA.org) is in charge of Fire Prevention Week. They have different events when it comes to Fire Education, some of them are; 125th Anniversary Conference Series, Fire Prevention Week itself, NFPA Conference & Expo, Technical Meeting, and Wildfire Community Preparedness Day. Fire Prevention Week, is without any doubt the biggest event related to fire prevention in the Queen City. They have several activities for kids and all ages safety messages to educate the community, games & apps, lesson plans, safety tip sheets, and videos that can provide information about fire prevention.

Since it is a self-funded nonprofit organization, they have a fundraising letter asking for collaboration in order to have enough budget to bring these multiple opportunities for the people interested.

Andrea Vastis, Sr. Director of Public Education for National Fire Prevention Association (NFPA.org) said “Our association is a worldwide self-subsidized philanthropic association, set up in 1896, committed to disposing of death, injury, property, and financial misfortune because of fire, electrical and related dangers.”

Vastis also said, "Fire Prevention Week began in 1922 and is celebrated each year in the week containing October 9th. This year's theme "Learn the Sounds of Fire Safety" can be found on www.firepreventionweek.org. As for events in Cincinnati, each community can choose to do events that work for them."

When it comes to Cincinnati, the Fire Prevention Assistant Chief Mark Sanders said, "We have different public outreach programs, juvenile programs, for example, fire safety trailers it's a mockup in a small house that we can use for kids, they'll come in and learn about fire safety, we usually set up a fire simulation in order to let them learn through visual perception."

It is important to teach the young generations how to deal with fire emergencies but also the most grown ones. Chief Mark Sanders also mentioned, "We also have different activities, for the community council we meetings and presentations and we also focus a lot of our attention to colleges for the education of college students especially for off-campus housing."

Christian Stevens, a Chemical Engineer and the University of Cincinnati, has attended one of the meetings offered by the Fire Department Service. Stevens said, "I am actually surprised the city of Cincinnati offers this kind of meeting to the open public, if you want to learn about it, there are opportunities out there." Stevens also took the Fire Extinguisher Training offered online, on Canvas, by the University.

The City of Cincinnati destines to the Fire Department around 134 million dollars every year. From that budget, only a small amount (unknown by the Saunders) goes to fire prevention, which primarily goes for training and travel. Sanders mentioned, "We rely on donations, so any money is welcomed in order to keep the population updated when it comes to fire prevention education."



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