

Red Cross & Senator Kaplan Make House-Call in Floral Park to Install Free Smoke Alarms; Offer Free Smoke Alarms to All Residents of Senate District 7

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FLORAL PARK, NY —The American Red Cross of Greater New York and Senator Anna M.

Kaplan (D-Great Neck) recently installed free smoke alarms in constituents' homes during a
Sound the Alarm home fire safety event on June 26 in Floral Park. [Click Here for Photos of
Senator Kaplan Installing Smoke Alarms in Constituent Home] The smoke alarms were installed as part of an ongoing partnership between American Red Cross and Senator Kaplan to End

Home Fires and educate residents on the importance of emergency preparedness.

Senator Anna M. Kaplan said "I'm grateful to partner with the American Red Cross to ensure that all of my residents have access to life-saving smoke alarms at absolutely no cost. I urge all of my constituents to sign up to have free smoke alarms installed in their homes to ensure their families are protected in case of emergency."

Earlier this year, **Senator Kaplan** recorded a Public Service Announcement to educate the community about the danger of home fires, and inform residents of the availability of this free service to anyone who signs up at soundthealarm.org/li. [Click here to view PSA]

Since launching the partnership earlier this year, more than 272 free smoke alarms have been installed in homes throughout Senator Kaplan's district. Any members of the community who would like to have free smoke alarms installed in their home should visit soundthealarm.org/li.

"What most community members don't realize is that a home fire is the most common disaster. Smoke alarms save lives and that is why we are so proud to partner with Sen. Anna Kaplan to help make homes safer," said Neela Lockel, CEO, American Red Cross on Long Island. "American Red Cross' trained and dedicated team members work across Long Island every day to help prepare and respond to disasters big and small. A working smoke alarm can mean the difference between survival and tragedy. We encourage everyone to test their smoke alarm and contact the Red Cross if they need one."

About Sound the Alarm: *Sound the Alarm* is part of the national Home Fire Campaign, which the Red Cross launched in 2014 to reduce fire deaths and injuries with partners. So far, the campaign has reached more than 1.7 million people and saved more than 600 lives nationwide.

About the American Red Cross: The American Red Cross shelters, feeds and provides emotional support to victims of disasters; supplies about 40 percent of the nation's blood; teaches skills that save lives; provides international humanitarian aid; and supports military members and their families. The Red Cross is a not-for-profit organization that depends on volunteers and the generosity of the American public to perform its mission. For more information, please visit redcross.org or cruzrojaamericana.org, or visit us on Twitter at @RedCross.