




HEAD, CLARA & MARIA COUNCIL AND STAFF

**WISHING YOU A FIRE SAFE WINTER!**

**PLAN  
YOUR  
ESCAPE!**



If a fire occurred in your home tonight, would your family get out safely?

You may have only seconds to safely escape your home. Develop a home fire escape plan with everyone in your household using the tips on the back. 

## Develop a home fire escape plan today...it could save your life tonight!

- ⇒ Install working **smoke alarms** on every storey and outside all sleeping areas of your home. **It's the law!**
- ⇒ Develop a home **fire escape plan**.
- ⇒ Know what to do when the smoke alarm sounds. Sit down with everyone in your household and discuss how each person will get out of the home in a fire.
- ⇒ **Practise** your escape plan with everyone in your home.
- ⇒ Make sure everyone can get out quickly.
- ⇒ Make sure everyone knows **two ways out** of each room, if possible.
- ⇒ If the door of a room is blocked by smoke or fire, discuss an **alternate escape route** such as a window. Make sure all windows open easily. Security bars on windows should have quick-releasing devices so they can be easily removed.
- ⇒ **Help** those who need it!
- ⇒ Determine who will be **responsible** for helping young children, older adults, people with disabilities or anyone else who may need assistance.
- ⇒ **Get low and go** under the smoke to the nearest safe exit.
- ⇒ Most fire deaths are the result of smoke inhalation.
- ⇒ Choose a meeting place outside, a safe distance from your home.
- ⇒ A tree, street light or a neighbour's home are all good choices. In case of fire, everyone should go directly to this **meeting place** to be accounted for.
- ⇒ **Get out, stay out.**
- ⇒ Never re-enter a burning building.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT OUR COMMUNITY FIRE SAFETY OFFICER—BOB LABRE.**