

Smoke detectors free to residents

WINTER PARK — Free smoke detectors are available to disabled, elderly and low-income residents of Winter Park.

According to figures from the city fire department, more than one-fourth of all homes in Winter Park do not have smoke detectors. Of those that have the devices, an estimated one-third of them may not be working.

More than half the residential fires in Winter Park occur in homes without smoke detectors, said chief fire marshal Steve Painter.

For information on obtaining free smoke detectors, Painter's office can be reached at 623-3260.

In March, 50 of the devices were given out at a meeting of the Westside Housing Corp.