History:

The SC State Firefighters’ Association believes that fire sprinklers save lives. Consistently, statistics from the SC Office of the State Fire Marshal shows that more than 75% of fire deaths occur in the home. These findings are echoed by similar statistics at the national level. The place that our citizens should feel the safest, is where they are most likely to suffer a life loss due to the tragedy of fire.

Vision:

The SC State Firefighters’ Association is supportive of various efforts for residential fire sprinklers to be installed in homes. The SC Firefighters’ Association is home of the SC Fire Sprinkler Coalition and supports its efforts in educating the public, home builders, developers, and other stakeholders about the availability, affordability, and the life-saving ability of residential fire sprinklers. The SC State Firefighters’ Association, the SC Fire Sprinkler Coalition, the SC Fire & Life Safety Education Association, and its other partners, affirms its commitment to seeing residential fire sprinklers installed in all newly constructed One- and Two-Family Dwellings.

Strategy:

This commitment is evident by the efforts of the SC State Firefighters’ Association, the SC Fire Sprinkler Coalition, the SC Fire and Life Safety Education Association, and its other partners to execute the following objectives:

- Educate and unify stakeholders in the public and private sectors to the efforts
- Demystify rhetoric and debunk myths and false information regarding residential fire sprinklers, to include the cost of installation, maintenance, and installation requirements
- Demonstrate to home builders, developers, installers, and government leaders, that the installation of residential sprinklers is a pro-business, as well as a life-saving decision

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