

DHFD Senior Citizen Fire Academy

What is the Senior Citizen Fire Academy?

Drexel Heights Fire District's Senior Citizen Fire Academy includes specialized safety training plus a closer look at the local fire department and the services it provides. Program participants will obtain not only important information, they will also receive free safety resources for their home.

What topics are covered in the program?

An orientation class will describe the fire district and its operations. A home fire safety class will teach about fire prevention techniques, kitchen safety, and participants will get to use a fire extinguisher. Fall prevention experts from Pima Council On Aging will be providing education and assessment tools on how to reduce risks for falls and increase your balance. During a community connection day, participants will learn about senior programs like the Scam Squad and Healthy Living. The program will conclude with a graduation ceremony.

Why fire safety and fall prevention?

Statistically, senior citizens are most at risk for home fires and falls. The Senior Citizen Fire Academy will provide education and free safety resources related to both home fire safety and fall prevention.

What is the academy schedule?

Each academy session is broken up into 4, 2 1/2 hour classes. The classes are conducted once a week for a total of four weeks. Participants must attend all four session dates.

Where will the academy classes be held?

All classes will be located at the Drexel Heights Fire District Training Classroom at 5030 S. Camino Verde (northwest corner at the intersection light of Ajo and Camino Verde). During one of the classes we will take a field trip next door to the

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fire station for a tour.

How do I register for the academy?

Registration forms are located online at www.drexelfire.org or you can pick one up at Drexel Heights Fire District's Administration Center at 5030 S. Camino Verde. The class size does have a limit and a completed registration form is required to hold a participants spot in the academy.

How much does the academy cost?

There is no fee for the Academy or the safety supplies you will receive.

Who do I contact for more questions about the program?

Drexel Heights Fire District, Administration Center at (520) 883-4341