

TO: GCSB Board of Directors

FROM: Peter Kampa, General Manager

DATE: May 14, 2024

SUBJECT: Agenda Item 6A: Presentation from the American Red Cross
Regarding a Smoke Detector Program

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

No action required.

BACKGROUND:

The American Red Cross has for many years distributed smoke detectors to those in need. As we all know, working smoke detectors are the best preventative measure one can employ to stay safe in the event of a home fire. Our CERT Program Manager, Bob Asquith, contacted the Red Cross after seeing the success of the recent smoke detector distribution program in Sonora and Jamestown. The Red Cross offered to provide the same program in the Groveland area.

The American Red Cross provides the smoke detectors, and they are installed by fire department staff or CERT members, as needed. A representative from the American Red Cross will be in attendance at this meeting to further discuss the program and answer any questions.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. <https://www.fema.gov/blog/partnerships-tactic-resilience>
2. <https://www.redcross.org/local/california/gold-country/about-us/our-work/home-fire-campaign.html>
3. American Red Cross Smoke Detector Training Guides
 - a. [Documenter Guide](#)
 - b. [Educator Guide](#)
 - c. [Installer Guide](#)