Firefighters are respected in the community and are welcomed into homes as fire safety authorities. Firefighters help people make safer homes. Essentials of Community Risk Reduction provides the opportunity for firefighters (and other community volunteers) to build home fire and life safety expertise so the most effective messages and practices are used.

**Why do you need this course?**

- Home fires have changed - fire is faster, much faster
- Smoke alarm guidelines have changed – one alarm is never enough
- A safe home includes reduction of life safety risks as well as fire prevention
- Capitalize on the messages that resonate/communicate with the high fire risk populations prepared through testing for use throughout the U.S.
- Discover best practices to reduce loss no need to reinvent lessons learned by others
- Focus on community risks specific to the community around one fire station and the priority risks throughout the entire jurisdiction
- Plan and deliver programs that measure up with model performance measures. Yes, prove your program achieves the goal – a safer community.
Module 1 - Community Risk Reduction
This 30-minute module introduces Community Risk Reduction (CRR) as a way to “get ahead of the call” to create a safer community by reducing loss before an emergency incident. The characteristics and strategies of CRR as well as best practices including home safety visits are included. This module introduces the benefits of CRR for the community, the fire department and firefighters.

Module 2 - Fire and Burn Prevention
This one-hour plus module presents home fire and burn prevention and the basics of smoke alarm installation. Fire safety programs for older adults and tips for teaching fire safety to young children are also included. Learn about the Home Safety Visit App, the Fire Safety Materials Generator and the common national fire safety theme, Fire is Everyone’s Fight. Be up-to-date about technology solutions for home fire safety.

Module 3 - Preventing Home Injuries
This two-hour multi-part module addresses the prevention of four home injuries. Build knowledge to identify safety risks in a home and help people make their home safer.

Section 1: Preventing Falls
Section 2: Preventing Drowning
Section 3: Preventing Poisoning
Section 4: Preventing Suffocation and Choking

Module 4 - Achieving Model Performance
This 30-minute module is an overview of evaluating Community Risk Reduction (CRR) activities. Learn the relationship between program planning and evaluation. Measure the performance of fire prevention programs with common processes used by other public health advocates. Insure CRR programs meet the goal of a safer community. Learn about each evaluation step through a case study.