News 8 is once again teaming up with Kidde Fire Safety, The Home Depot, JP Maguire and CT Fire Chiefs Association to present the 7th annual Operation Save A Life — a lifesaving program designed to educate consumers on the dangers of fire and carbon monoxide (CO) poisoning.

One of the pillars of Operation Save A Life is the distribution of smoke alarms to Connecticut families in need, particularly low income, older and other at-risk residents in our communities. This year, Kidde donated 5,000 of its 10-year sealed battery smoke alarms and 1,000 CO alarms, which will be installed in homes by over 100 local fire departments throughout Connecticut. Because the battery is sealed inside the 10-year sealed-battery smoke alarms, the hassle of low-battery chirps and battery replacement is eliminated for the life of the unit. This design also reduces the risk of an inoperable smoke alarm due to missing batteries; important because NFPA reports three out of five home fire deaths occur in homes without alarms or without working alarms, mainly due to dead or missing batteries.

Limited quantities of detectors are available at the Fire Marshal’s Office-Municipal Center - 3 Primrose St. Newtown Ct. 06470 203-270-4370