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LINCOLN FIRE AND RESCUE DISTRIBUTES 15 HUNDRED FREE SMOKE DETECTORS TO LOW INCOME, ELDERLY AND NEW AMERICANS

Lincoln Fire and Rescue was one of several service agencies that took part in this year's Thanksgiving food distribution at The Lincoln Action Program. LAP is providing holiday foodstuffs and clothing to low income, elderly and new Americans until Thanksgiving.

As part of this program, Lincoln Fire and Rescue provided Lincoln Action Program clients with free smoke detectors. 15 hundred were distributed in just two days.

"Lincoln Fire and Rescue is fortunate to have worked with a valuable community organization like the Lincoln Action Program on this project." Chief Mike Spadt said. "The overwhelming response is an example of how much work lies ahead regarding our fire prevention efforts. Similar to our response to an emergency situation, we intend to aggressively target our "at-risk" citizens to prevent a loss of life and property." Spadt Added.

Lincoln Fire and Rescue has received a federal grant to purchase and distribute 12 thousand smoke detectors to Senior Citizens, Low income and New Americans living in Lincoln during 2005.

"Lincoln Fire and Rescue intends to work with many community organizations and businesses to support and promote fire safety. We'd like to thank these organizations in advance for partnering with us in these very important prevention efforts." Spadt concluded.

For more information on fire safety and the latest news from Lincoln Fire and Rescue, visit our website at www.lincoln.ne.us keyword: fire