# CPSC's Carbon Monoxide Grant Program

Michaela Campbell, Congressional Fire Services Institute



# History of the Grant Program

- Established in 2022 by the Nicholas and Zachary Burt Memorial Carbon Monoxide Poisoning Prevention Act
- Longtime advocacy effort by many fire and emergency services organizations to pass this bill into law
- Received \$2M in funding from FY23 appropriations
- Potential for FY24 funding



### Use of Grant Funds

- Purchase and install compliant carbon monoxide alarms
- Training materials and instructions
- Public education activities



# Eligibility - Entities

#### State

#### Local Governments

 County, municipality, city, town, township, local public authority, school district, special district, intrastate district, council of governments, or any agency or instrumentality of a local government.

#### Tribal Organization

\*Applications may be filed on behalf of the State or Tribal organization by the **fire safety code enforcement agency** of that State or Tribal organization. The fire safety code enforcement agency may submit an application on behalf of an eligible applicant.



## Eligibility - State or Local Law Requirements

"An applicant must have adopted a statute or a rule, regulation, or similar measure with the force and effect of law, which requires compliant carbon monoxide alarms to be installed in dwelling units in accordance with National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) 72, the International Fire Code (IFC), or the International Residential Code (IRC)."

\*A copy of the applicable measure must be submitted with the application



# How to Apply?

- Go to www.Grants.gov
- Register with Grants.gov ASAP can take up to 1 month for approval (requires a Unique Entity ID from SAM.gov)
- Funding Opportunity Number CP-NZB-23-001





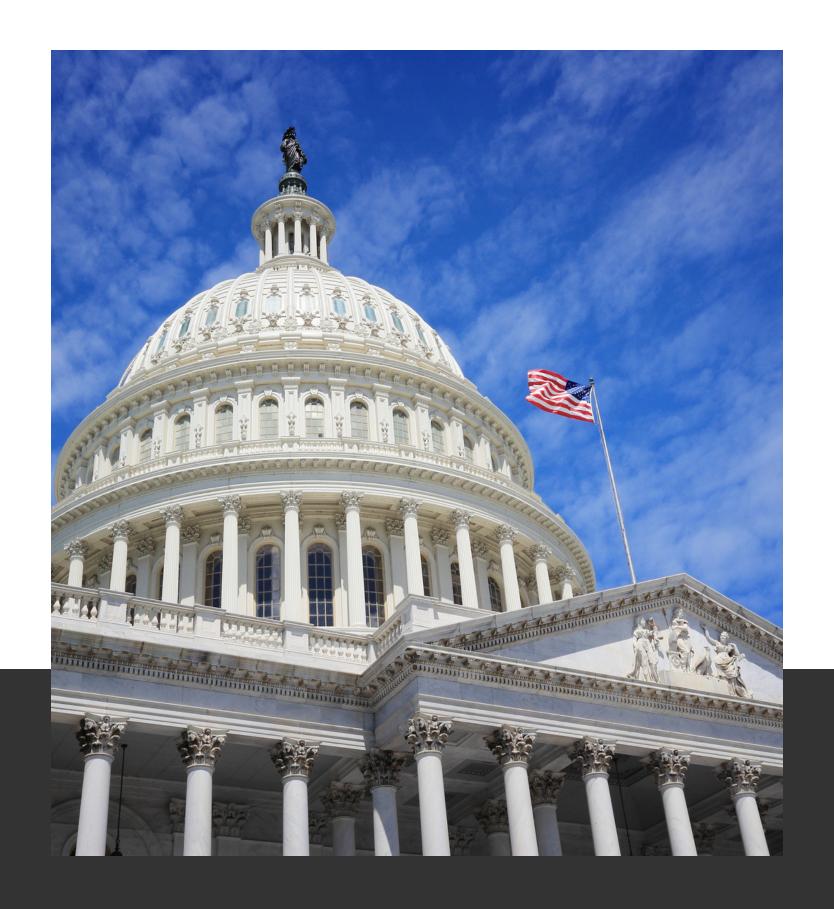
### Award Timeline and Information

- Due Date for Applications: December 15, 2023
- Anticipated Award: March 1, 2024
- Anticipated Total Annual Available Funding: \$2.0 million
- Budget/Project Period Length: Two (2) years
- Individual Award Range: \$50,000 to \$400,000
- Cost Share or Match: Cost Share, 25% (not applicable for Tribal Organizations)





# Partnering with NCOAA



# Why this is so important

The Nicholas and Zachary Burt Memorial Carbon Monoxide Poisoning Prevention Grants only allow for \$2,000,000 of funding per year (\$50,000-\$400,000 per grant)

We must demonstrate the demand for this funding in order to request increased funds in future years.

# How NCOAA Can Help

- Resource repository at www.ncoaa.us/cpsc
- We can also help you design and implement your public education efforts. We will build a curated database of educational videos, social media campaigns, PSAs, webinars, blogs, infographics, and so on.



# How NCOAA Can Help

- Generator deaths following winter storms and hurricanes are a leading cause of carbon monoxide deaths
- We can develop generator safety materials in English and Spanish for populations in your state that are most at risk



# How NCOAA Can Help

- Racial and ethnic disparities are seen in carbon monoxide poisoning across the U.S.
- We can tailor your CO safety materials to the audiences you're targeting





# Interested in Partnering?

Let's meet!

Upon agreeing to partnership terms, NCOAA will provide you with the following items at least 1 week before the grant submission deadline:

- a letter of support,
- a memorandum of understanding (upon request),
- a price quote for the services discussed,
- a 1-page summary of our organizational background, including our qualifications serving diverse populations through public health programming, and
- a 1-page summary on the services we would be providing through the grant.



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# Carbon Monoxide Webinar

About Rely - our company, brand and products

October 26, 2023



## **About Us – Parent Company: National Presto Industries**

National Presto was founded in 1905 in Eau Claire, Wisconsin, and is recognized as a leader in the electric housewares industry due to its long history of innovation, which has created major new categories of products. National Presto operates in three business segments:



Segments / Companies





Housewares Segment







## About Us – Rely: Our Team. Our Mission.

#### **Our Team**

- The Rely team includes over 30 professionals with over 500 years of combined experience at all the major home safety brands and working successfully with our customers.
- We are committed to applying our combined knowledge to building an improved and more reliable safety products experience for customers.

30+ Professionals
500+ Years of Combined Fire Safety Industry Experience
100+ Successful Product Launches:

Worry Free 10-Year

Combination Alarm with Voice Dual-Sensor Technology

Kitchen Fire Extinguisher

Firex™ Brand

#### **Our Mission**

 To provide innovative and intuitive safety technology solutions that empower organizations and individuals to protect what's most important.



A huge thank you for your product. It went off this morning and saved my family and pets.



— Christina, CO Alarm Owner





### **Consumer Research – Confusion Abounds**

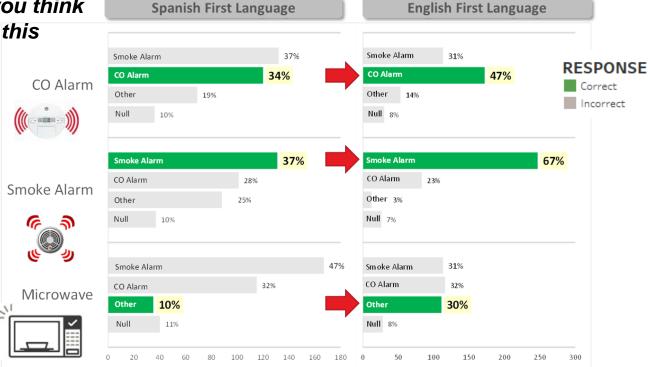
#### **Consumer Survey on Alarm Sound Awareness**

#### **Purpose**

- Statistics around T3 & T4 sound confusion
- Importance of differentiation with verbal commands

#### US Consumers are most familiar with smoke alarms

What do you think produced this sound?\*







#### The Issue of Education

- With the onset of many legislative anniversaries, manufacturers are struggling to educate the public about what both carbon monoxide and smoke alarms are trying to communicate. This education is difficult ...
- In the event of an emergency, alarms need to provide improved notification, and a clear course of action. Homeowners do not have time to locate a manual or go online to determine what is occurring. This is when seconds count.
- The fire services and regulatory bodies have labored mightily to communicate the importance of installing CO alarms and have done an effective job – now they are struggling with how to inform the public about what these alarms are trying to communicate.





The alarms themselves should be effective communicators.



### This is Where/When Product Innovation Makes Sense





#### **INFORMS**

Alarm provides over 20 different voice alerts which describe the current threat. Alerts can be provided in English or Spanish.

Voice alerts available for high levels of CO, low levels of CO, changes in alarm status and end-of-life.

A scrolling LCD display provides additional information about the current threat.

#### **DIRECTS**

Alarm will also provide suggested actions to help guide user in the event of an emergency.

Directions are provided using voice alerts in combination with easyto- understand icons on the LCD display.

"Call 911":



"Exit immediately": 🔏



"Ventilate area": 🕰



#### **ALERTS**

Loud, 85 decibel alarm sounds when carbon monoxide is detected.





#### **Audible & Visual Notification** by rely

#### 22 AUDIBLE ALERTS: **INFORMATION & DIRECTION**

#### **Dangerous CO Levels Detected**

"Dangerous level of carbon monoxide detected! Evacuate immediately and contact emergency responders. Dial 911! Press the status button to repeat this message"





#### **End of Life** Warning

"Your unit has come to the end of its usable life. Replace unit immediately. Unit will not respond to CO. Press status button to repeat this message"







Alerts in both English & Spanish

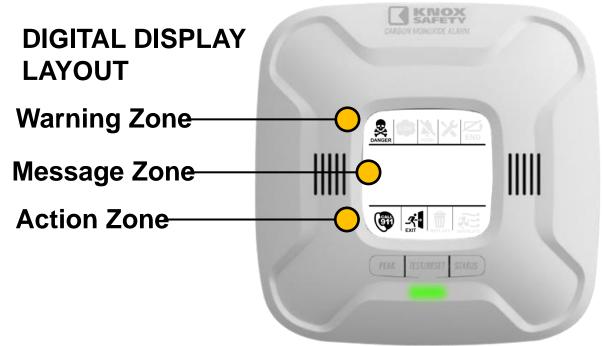
#### **WARNING**



**Dangerous** Level of Carbon **Monoxide Detected** 

#### **MESSAGE**

**DANGEROUS CO LEVEL:** 333 PPM - EVACUATE



#### **ACTION**



**Call 911** 



**WARNINGS** 



**Call 911** 

**ACTIONS** 



CO LEVEL Low CO



REPLACE Dispose of **Exit Home** Älarm



**Activated** 













# Multi-Language Alerts at the Push of a Button A Community Often Ignored by Manufacturers

- ~18% of US households speak Spanish¹
- Spanish is the second most spoken language in the US<sup>2</sup>
- Rely's Knox Safety alarms are the only stand-alone Carbon Monoxide alarms with Spanish language messaging – providing information and direction in the event of an emergency

¡Se ha detectado un nivel peligroso de monóxido de carbono! Evacuar inmediatamente. ¡Llame al nueve uno uno! Presione el botón de estado para repetir este mensaje!



Su unidad no ha
detectado monóxido de
carbono recientemente.
No se requiere ninguna
acción adicional. Estás
protegido por Knox
Safety.

1 - US Census/Census.gov, 2019

2 - Business Insider, August 12, 2020



Alerts in both English & Spanish



## Rely - Knox Safety CO Alarms – How to get them

#### **CO Alarms**

#### **Battery - 10-Year Sealed**





**Model 7000** 

#### 120V Plug-in w/ 10-Year Battery Back-up





**Model 7200** 

#### **Fire Department / Non-Profit Ordering Program**

Contact Rely at <a href="mailto:support@relyinc.com">support@relyinc.com</a> and request pricing, Bid Specs, or an Order Form.

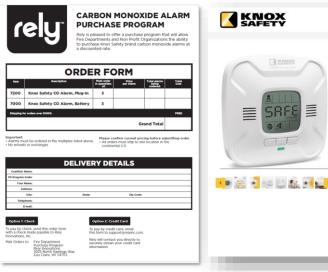
The Knox Safety Carbon Monoxide Alarm is the only CO alarm with both voice alerts and a scrolling LCD display that provides instructions in English or Spanish

#### Product Features:

- Ten Year Sealed Battery
- Large Intelligent Display
- Voice Alerts Instructive, Bilingual
- Trio Warning System: Alerts, Informs, Directs

Bid Spec

- Alarm Hush
- End-of-Life Alert
- UL 2034, CSFM, NFPA 720 Compliant
- Ten Year Warranty



Website

Order Form



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to-install and easy to understand carbon monoxide alarm

The only alarm that informs, directs, and alerts you in an

Carbon Monoxide

**Battery Operated** 

Alarm 10-Year