

## **SOUTH CAROLINA STATE FIRE**

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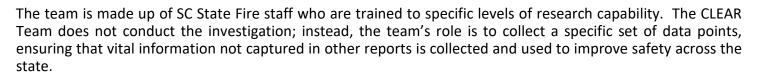
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# **CLEAR TEAM Community Loss Education and Response**

The CLEAR Team was formed by the Office of the State Fire Marshal in 2012 in response to a troubling lack of detailed information surrounding fatal fires in South Carolina. Without a clear understanding of contributing factors, it was impossible to prevent future tragedies.

The CLEAR Team was created to focus on three R's:

- **Response**: Countless points of data can be learned from observing the fire scene.
- **Relationships**: We strive to establish relationships with all response agencies on the scene, aiming to collaborate and share data.
- Research: Our purpose centers on gathering the facts that cannot be learned from other incidents and investigative reports. We want to know about environmental and human factors that contributed to the loss, including the actions of the victim before, during, and after discovery of the fire.



CLEAR Team research improves your local fire department's data, shapes code enforcement, strengthens statewide public messaging, and saves lives.

#### SUPPORTING THE MISSION

SC State Fire is responsible for providing essential services and support to protect lives and property through fire prevention, training, and emergency response efforts. The CLEAR Team strengthens SC State Fire's mission by:

- Assisting fire and law enforcement agencies at community significant fires.
- Collecting data that cannot be learned elsewhere.
- Compiling that data into Fire Safe SC risk assessments, code enforcement decisions, and public education messaging.

CLEAR Team findings help fire departments understand community risk, focus their prevention efforts, and even predict where the next fatal fire may occur.

### **REQUESTS FOR ASSISTANCE**

The CLEAR Team responds only by request through the State Warning Point.

**QUESTIONS?** Contact Amy Williamson





