



## NEWS RELEASE

### **Enbridge Gas Ontario teams up with the Centre Hastings Fire Department to Reduce Fire and Carbon Monoxide Deaths through Safe Community Project Zero**

**Municipality of Centre Hastings, ON, November 6, 2025** – Today, Enbridge Gas Ontario (Enbridge Gas) and the Centre Hastings Fire Department announced they are working together to improve home safety and bring fire and carbon monoxide-related deaths down to zero.

The Centre Hastings Fire Department received 112 combination smoke and carbon monoxide alarms through Safe Community Project Zero—a public education campaign with the Fire Marshal's Public Fire Safety Council (FMPFSC) that will provide more than 14,200 alarms to residents in 75 communities across Ontario.

This year, Enbridge Gas invested \$450,000 in Safe Community Project Zero, and over the past 17 years, the program has provided more than 115,000 alarms to Ontario fire departments.

When properly installed and maintained, combination smoke and carbon monoxide alarms help provide the early warning to safely escape from a house fire or carbon monoxide exposure. Carbon monoxide is a toxic, odourless gas that is a by-product of incomplete combustion of many types of common fuels.

“Carbon monoxide alarms play a vital role as a second line of defence against this invisible threat, often called ‘the silent killer’,” says Joe DaSilva, Specialist, Technician Operations, Enbridge Gas. “Proper maintenance of fuel-burning appliances is the most effective way to prevent carbon monoxide exposure. We’re proud to support our communities by raising awareness and helping Ontarians take simple, proactive steps to stay safe in their homes.”

“Each day, fire departments focus their efforts on educating the public about the importance of having working smoke and carbon monoxide alarms in their home. The objective of Safe Community Project Zero, is to deliver these alarms to areas where they are needed most,” says Jon Pegg, Ontario Fire Marshal and Chair of the FMPFSC. “It is a program that not only helps fire departments raise awareness about the legal requirement to have working smoke and carbon monoxide alarms installed in all Ontario homes, but also reinforces the critical role they play in saving lives.”

“The Centre Hastings Fire Department is grateful for Enbridge Gas’s continued commitment to community safety. These alarms will allow us to reach vulnerable residents and ensure every home in our municipality has the early warning needed to

prevent tragedy. Safe Community Project Zero helps us save lives by turning awareness into real, tangible protection for our residents,” says Fire Chief Derek Snider.

#### **About the Centre Hastings Fire Department**

The Centre Hastings Fire Department provides fire protection, prevention, and emergency response services to residents of the Municipality of Centre Hastings and surrounding areas. With two stations and a dedicated team of firefighters, the department is committed to protecting lives, property, and the environment through education, training, and community partnerships.

#### **About the FMPFSC**

The FMPFSC was established in 1993 with a mission to help create “a world where no one is hurt by fire.” Chaired by the Ontario Fire Marshal, the FMPFSC promotes fire prevention and public education through sponsorships and partnerships with various groups and individuals with an interest in public safety. Follow the FMPFSC on X @FMPFSC.

#### **About Enbridge Gas Ontario**

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