

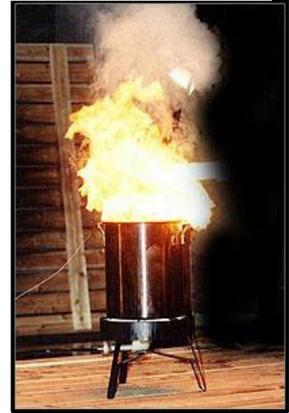
## The Moreno Valley Fire Department Offers the Following Safety Information:

### Important safety information for when using a turkey fryer:

The delicious deep-fried turkey has quickly grown in popularity but safety experts are concerned that backyard chefs may be sacrificing fire safety for good taste.

If you absolutely must use a turkey fryer, please use the following tips:

- Turkey fryers should always be used outdoors a safe distance from buildings and any other flammable materials.
- Never use turkey fryers in a garage or on a wooden deck.
- Make sure the fryers are used on a flat surface to reduce accidental tipping.
- Never leave the fryer unattended. Most units do not have thermostat controls. If you do not watch the fryer carefully, the oil will continue to heat until it catches fire.
- Never let children or pets near the fryer even if it is not in use. The oil inside the cooking pot can remain dangerously hot hours after use.
- To avoid oil spillover, do not overfill the fryer.
- Use well-insulated potholders or oven mitts when touching pot or lid handles. If possible, wear safety goggles to protect your eyes from oil splatter.
- Keep an all-purpose fire extinguisher nearby. Never use water to extinguish a grease fire. If the fire is manageable, use your all-purpose fire extinguisher. If the fire increases, immediately call the fire department for help.



### Spark of Love:



Every year, tens of thousands of children experience Christmas morning with no gifts to open. To bring smiles to these children, the firefighters in Moreno Valley, in cooperation with CAL FIRE/Riverside County Fire and KABC Channel 7, host a "Spark of Love Toy Drive". Residents that wish to be part of this special event are encouraged to drop off a new, unwrapped toy or sports equipment at any local fire station to support this worthwhile cause.

With your support, children throughout Moreno Valley will receive a new toy this holiday season. Your donation to the "Spark of Love Toy Drive" will be accepted at any of the City's seven fire stations through December 24, 2015:

Fire Station #2  
24935 Hemlock Avenue

Fire Station #65  
15111 Indian Avenue

Fire Station #6  
22250 Eucalyptus Avenue

Fire Station #91  
16110 Lasselle Street

Fire Station #48  
10511 Village Road

Fire Station #99  
13400 Morrison Street

Fire Station #58  
28040 Eucalyptus Avenue

For eligibility requirements to receive toys for a child in need, please contact the Moreno Valley Community Assistance Program at 951-485-7792. For any other questions regarding the "Spark of Love Toy Drive" call 951-486-6780.

### **The Moreno Valley Fire Department would like to offer important flood preparedness information:**

The Office of emergency Management would like to remind everyone floods are one of the most common hazards in Riverside County. They can cause injury, death property damage and even contaminate drinking water and cause electrical disruptions which can severely impact the City of Moreno Valley. All floods are not alike and can develop slowly over time but can also progress very quickly in just a few minutes. Flash floods often have a dangerous wall of rapidly moving water that carries rocks, mud, debris and can sweep away anything in its path. Be aware of flood hazards no matter where you live, but especially if you live in low lying areas, near water or even near flood prone areas or intersections. Do not attempt to cross an area or intersection that appears to be flooded but rather find an alternate route of travel.



#### **Before the Flood Warning or Watch**

Be prepared to respond to flooding by taking the following actions before the rains and flooding begin:

- Assemble emergency supply kits for your home, workplace, and vehicle.

- Store a seven-day supply of food and water (at least one gallon per person, per day) in closed, clean containers.
- Sandbags
- Plastic sheeting
- Teach children not to play in or near rivers, streams, or other areas of potential flooding.
- Identify safe routes from your home or work place to high, safe ground. Determine whether you can use these routes during flooding or storms. Be familiar with your geographic surroundings.

### **During the Flood**

- Avoid unnecessary trips.
- Do not drive or walk through moving water. You can be knocked off your feet in as little as 6 inches of water.
- Do not “sightsee” or enter restricted areas.
- Stay away from streams, rivers, flood control channels and other areas subject to sudden flooding.
- Move to higher ground if you’re caught by rising waters.
- Use the phone only to report dangerous conditions or emergencies that are life threatening.