



# Anderson Twp. gets new fire trailer

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This is a new kind of trailer fire.

For the Anderson Township Fire & Rescue Department, a \$352,000 training trailer will provide invaluable practice.

"As the number of fires goes down (nationally) the risk of the fire doesn't go away," Assistant Chief Tom Riemar said.

"We need an opportunity and a process where we can keep our firefighters proficient for those fires that do still occur."

The fire department secured a grant to buy the trailer and Anderson Township contributed \$35,200.

Inside the two-story black trailer there is a stove and sofa, stairs and removable walls to create a life-like scenarios.

Operators can control the size and intensity of the fire, as well as make the flames roll over the ceiling.

"The trailer has a lot of different ways that we can reconfigure it to try to match what we would see in the field in a lot of different situations," Riemar said.

"This is a controlled environment where we can actually do live fire training so the value is huge."

The training trailer will be on display at the Anderson Farmers Market on Saturday, Sept. 11.



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Flames burst from a stove during a training session with the brand new fire trailer on May 26.

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