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An adult and six children were displaced after a fire broke out in a single family home on the 100 block of West Avenue in Pitman on the morning of Aug. 22. Thankfully, all the residents made it out of the house safely. However, their home fell victim to the fire's intense force. Despite firefighters' efforts, the house suffered significant damages rendering it unlivable.

In many cases, properly installed and maintained fire sprinklers control and typically extinguish a fire before the fire department even arrives on the scene. More importantly, the presence of fire sprinklers mitigates the risk to individuals affected by the blaze, including firefighters who battle the fire.

Fire sprinklers are the only proactive form of fire protection, providing firefighters the time they need to do their jobs effectively and as safely as possible while helping to avoid potential tragedies.

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