

DENLAR

FIRE PROTECTION

PRE-ENGINEERED RANGE HOODS

The World's Only Fail-Safe UL300A Hood

PROJECT PROFILE

BRIDGEPORT HOUSING AUTHORITY

Late in 2009, the Bridgeport Housing Authority (BHA) experienced tragedy when an unattended cooking fire grew out of control and took the lives of a mother and three young children. A couple years later, a fire started under similar circumstances but the result was far less tragic. Housing officials revealed that a significant cooking fire was extinguished by a 'Designer' Series range hood system provided by Denlar Fire Protection.

According to Maintenance Director Jed Ferrante, his staff responded to reports of a non-working range and discovered that the fire suppression system had discharged, disabling the stove in progress. The reported fire was significant enough to cause charring to the adjacent cabinets but further damage was prevented by the hood's integrated, fire suppression system. The resident confirmed leaving the apartment with food frying on the stove, and returning to find the stove disabled and evidence of an extinguished grease fire.

After 2009's devastating event, BHA had recognized that their facility needed a higher level of protection, especially where cooking fires were concerned. They identified the Denlar hood system as the most intelligent and cost effective solution for their needs, and upgraded each individual residence to this new level of kitchen range-top fire protection. By taking this proactive step to stop cooking fires, the Bridgeport Housing Authority created a safer environment for its residents while also protecting the value of its state-owned facility.

The impact of this event is clear; both in the lives that were saved and property damage that was avoided.

