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***“We Thought We had a Completely Ready-to-Open Building...”
Prairie Fire Sprinkler Helps El Paso Daycare Owner Open On-Time***

(DECATUR, IL – July 13, 2017) All Hayley Tibbs wanted was to open her long-planned El Paso, IL, daycare on May 10th, as scheduled. So, when the state fire inspector conducted its “final” inspection in early April, she was alarmed—maybe even panicked—to learn she would need a full fire sprinkler installation.

Tibbs had remodeled a one-time restaurant building for her new daycare facility in the Central Illinois town of El Paso, just north of Bloomington. According to Tibbs, opening her own daycare was something she had dreamed of since babysitting children to earn extra cash as a teen.

“I babysat as a young high-school student, and in college I studied early childhood. Now I have two children of my own,” explained Tibbs. “Our community is growing and we needed a larger facility available for childcare.”

Working to fulfill her plan, Tibbs’ building remodel complied with Illinois’ fire safety recommendations based on the Illinois State Fire Marshal’s review of her blueprints. Given that, she thought her facility was ready to go.

“Once the inspector saw my facility, he recommended we have a full, monitored fire sprinkler system,” Tibbs recalled. “We thought we had a completely ready-to-open building. It turned out we had to find a company to come within 30 days to install a fire sprinkler system.”

Tibbs relied on a contractor’s recommendation and gave [Prairie Fire Sprinkler](#) of Decatur, IL, a call. The fire sprinkler business is operated by married couple Lisa and Lee Peacock. Lisa is a University of Illinois-educated engineer experienced in fire sprinkler system design. Lee, who boasts two decades of combined experience in management, sprinkler system drafting and design, serves as the company’s project manager, overseeing on-site installation and inspection teams. Incidentally, the company recently was certified by the State of Illinois as a [Women’s Business Enterprise](#).

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“Lee Peacock was at my property within 24 hours, and had the installation complete within 25 days of our initial conversation,” Tibbs marveled. “I would absolutely recommend Prairie Fire Sprinkler to anyone.”

Tibbs’ *Stepping Stones Daycare* opened on May 10th, just as scheduled, and today boasts 14 employees serving 40 young children. The facility is outfitted to safely serve up to 73 children, Tibbs said.

Prairie Fire Sprinkler (PFS) is an Illinois-certified, 100-percent woman-owned business serving diverse customers throughout Central Illinois. The company’s team provides fire sprinkler design and installation services, inspections, and 24-hour sprinkler system service and repairs. PFS also is a supplier of mechanical equipment, pipe fittings, pipe tubing and accessories. For more information, visit www.prairiefiresprinklers.com, or call 217-877-3333.

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