## SIZZLE SAFELY

## UNDERSTANDING HEAT ILLNESS

- HEAT RELATED ILLNESSES OCCUR WHEN THE BODY IS UNABLE TO COOL ITSELF PROPERLY, DUE TO EXCESSIVE HEAT AND HUMIDITY.
- SOUTH CAROLINA HAS A SUBTROPICAL CLIMATE. THIS MAKES THE STATE MORE PRONE TO HEAT REALATED ILLNESSES.

## WHAT TO DO IF YOU SEE SOMEONE EXPERIENCING HEATED ILLNESS

GIVE THE COOL WATER TO DRINK

REMOVE ANY UNNECESSARY CLOTHING

HELP THEM INDIVIDUAL COOL DOWN WITH WATER, ICE, OR FAN

SEEK MEDICAL ATTENTION!!

STAY WITH THE INDIVIDUAL WHILE WAITING FOR MEDICAL ASSISTANCE



FROM 2020-2022
APPROXIMATELY 82,673
WORKERS IN SOUTH
CAROLINA SPEND MORE
THAN HALF OF THEIR
SHIFTS OUTDOORS



**SUNSCREEN** 





IN SOUTH CAROLINA
THERE ARE 1.97 MILLION
HOUSEHOLDS, 95% OF
THOSE HOUSEHOLDS HAS
SOME FORM OF AIR
CONDITIONING EQUIPMENT

To learn more about heat related illnesses, you can visit: https://dph.sc.gov/professionals/public-health data/sc-tracking/tracking-heat-related-illness-dashboard