



Clare Controls Debuts Customizable One-Touch Home Screen Widgets for iOS15 and Android 12

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CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA, April 5, 2022 – [Clare Controls](#), maker of the ClareOne wireless security and home automation system, today announced a powerful update to the ClareHome app that delivers performance improvements, new features and the ability to use widgets on mobile device home pages to control smart home and security functions. According to Clint Choate, Snap One Sr. Director of Security Market, the new update leverages the latest capabilities of Apple's iOS15 and Google's Android 12 mobile operating system to improve user experiences and simplify smart home control.



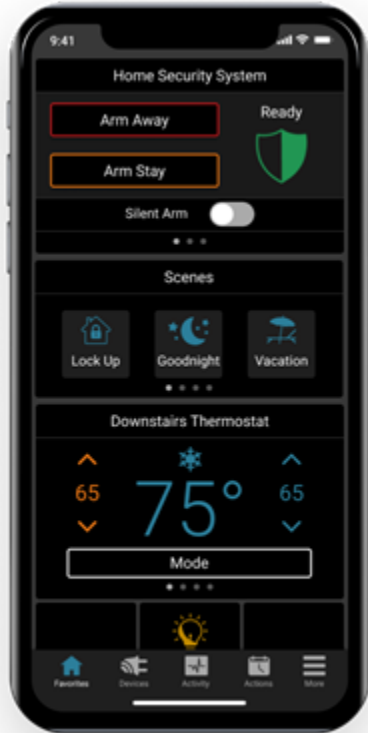
“This ClareHome app update delivers better experiences for ClareOne users, which leads to higher satisfaction, client retention, and sales opportunities for our partners,” Choate said. “Snap One is proud to be the exclusive distributor bringing ClareOne’s innovative functions and benefits to the security and smart home markets.”

In addition to improving connection speed and reliability between the ClareHome mobile app and ClareOne Panels, this update delivers a revolutionary user feature that provides true one-touch control: **customizable home screen widgets**. In general, widgets are mini versions of smartphone apps that live on home screens, providing information at a glance or giving instant access to specific app functions without having to open the app and navigate to a specific page or tab.

The **Quick Access Widget creator** in the ClareHome app can be used to add 1x2, 2x2, 2x4 or 4x4-sized widgets to any available home screen, offering access and control for security, lighting scenes, door locks, climate controls, garage doors, motorized window shades and more. The 1x2 or 2x2 widgets enable one touch scene activation or control of a single device, while the 2x4 widget controls up to four devices or scenes, and the 4x4 can present up to eight devices or scenes and one recently used device. Users can place two types of buttons within widgets: **action or scene buttons** provide one-touch home screen control to run automatic scenes such as ‘Welcome Home’, ‘Night

Mode', 'Lock Doors' or 'Arm Security', while **device buttons** automatically open the ClareHome app to the desired device to offer full control of it.

The ClareHome app also received an internal widget upgrade, so users can now add custom banner tiles to the ClareHome interface to view detailed device information and provide much faster access and control of various subsystems. Specifically, the new **Security Favorites Banner Widget** enables instant control of arm, disarm and silent arming functions, displays zone status info and a new panic screen access by swiping the screen to the left.



The Thermostat Favorites Banner Widget offers the ability to display temperature status and adjust climate settings, while the **Favorite Scenes Widget** consolidates users' custom scenes for all subsystems into a tiled interface. Finally, the **Recently Used Favorites Widget** always displays the most recently-used devices or scene controls.

Other enhancements include a new **quick-access Emergency Screen** that provides targeted Audible and Silent Panic buttons to notify central station operators that either local police, medical first responders or fire departments are needed at the home or business. Clare also simplified the in-app setup procedure to connect ClareOne panels with Google Assistant or Amazon Alexa devices, which enable voice commands to control ClareOne-connected locks, lights, climate, scenes and security.

"By enhancing the robust ClareOne security system with instant subsystem control and integration with popular voice-controlled smart home devices, we've made ClareOne an incredibly valuable and powerful solution for total home control," said Brett Price, Founder of Clare Controls. "The ClareOne roadmap contains continued improvements and integrations, and we are constantly working to ensure setup and operation is as streamlined as possible for our

integrators and users.”

For a full description of all new software functions, feature updates and product releases, see Clare Controls’ [full announcement here](#).

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About Clare Controls

Headquartered in Sarasota, FL, Clare Controls creates smart security and smart home solutions that blend professional installations with DIY smart home expansion. Clare products and services are offered exclusively through a network of licensed and authorized dealers. US-based ClareCare consumer support ensures client satisfaction. For more information, visit www.clarecontrols.com.

About Snap One

Established in 2005 and based in Charlotte, North Carolina, Snap One is a manufacturer and exclusive source of A/V, security, control, networking and remote management products for professional integrators. Control4 is Snap One’s premier brand for automation and control. Snap One is an industry leader in the pro-install channel and helps integrators build their businesses by providing a wide range of high-quality products, easily accessible through an intuitive website and backed by award-winning service and support. With a vast catalog of today’s most popular brands, Snap One is the premier choice for professional installers across the globe. With over 35 local branches in the US and two in Canada, Snap One blends the benefits of e-commerce with the convenience of same-day pickup. Additional information about Snap One and its products can be found at www.SnapOne.com.

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