



May 2020 Emergency Management Newsletter



The Village has closed the Public Works Facility (1700 W. Central Rd) and Fire Headquarters (111 E. Rand Rd) to the public. The closings were effective Monday, March 16 and run through Saturday, May 30.

As cases of coronavirus – COVID-19 – continue to surface, the Village is following the directions set forth by the State of Illinois to prevent further spread of the disease. In an effort to protect both our residents and employees, the Village has stayed in close contact with health officials and continues to monitor updates from the Centers for Disease Control, Illinois Department of Public Health and Cook County Department of Public Health. Please visit the “News” section of our Village website for regular updates: <https://www.mountprospect.org/Home/Components/News/>

Severe Weather Preparedness



Severe weather can happen anytime in any part of the country. Severe weather can include hazardous conditions produced by thunderstorms, including damaging winds, tornadoes, large hail and flooding. Preparation is always the best way to mitigate damage. Remember the follow information:

Floods and Flash Flooding

TURN AROUND, DON'T DROWN!

- Do not walk, swim or drive through flood waters. Just six inches of moving water can knock you down, and one foot of moving water can sweep your vehicle away.
- Learn evacuation routes & make shelter plans.
- Consider flood insurance, which is separate from Homeowner’s insurance.

Thunderstorms and Lightning

WHEN THUNDER ROARS, GO INDOORS!

- A sturdy building is the safest place to be during a thunderstorm.
- If necessary, take shelter in a car but do not touch anything metal.
- Pay attention to weather reports and warnings of thunderstorms. Be ready to change plans, if necessary, to be near shelter.



Build a Kit, Make a Plan, Get Involved!



Step 1: Put a plan together that encompasses evacuation routes, communications, shelter location and a supply kit.

Step 2: Consider specific needs in your household, including medications, dietary restrictions, disabilities, children and pets.

Step 3: Fill out all of these important details in a Family Emergency Plan, and make sure everyone has a copy.

Step 4: Practice your plan with your family/household. Remember, *preparation* is the key to peace of mind!

For an in-depth list of items that we recommend for your supply kit, please visit:

<https://www.mountprospect.org/how-do-i/learn-about/emergency-management/be-ready-3-days-3-ways>

◆ **THE FIRE DEPARTMENT HEAD-QUARTERS, STATION 13 HAS MOVED TO 111 E. RAND RD.**

◆ **IN JUNE 2020, THE POLICE STATION WILL BE MOVING TO 911 E. KENSINGTON RD.**



Please remember that in the event of a severe weather emergency, these green information boxes will be continuously updated with important information.

For more information on the green boxes, including locations, please visit:

<https://www.mountprospect.org/how-do-i/learn-about/emergency-management>