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Washtenaw County Keeps Citizens Safe and Informed with Everbridge Resident Alerts

Residents and Businesses Can Sign Up to Receive Critical Communications and Emergency Alerts

August 12, 2020

Thursday, August 13, 2020, Washtenaw County will be upgrading their current Nixle program to the Everbridge Alert system to communicate with citizens and businesses during emergencies and other critical events. **Residents are encouraged to register immediately to receive these alerts at www.washtenaw.org/alerts.**

If you are a current user of the Washtenaw County Sheriff's Office Nixle program to receive emergency alerts, you will need to create a new account in the Everbridge portal (link above) to confirm what notifications you would like to receive and how you receive them.

Washtenaw County will use the Everbridge emergency notification system to alert residents about a variety of events, ranging from severe weather, hazardous materials incidents, floods and other emergencies, to more routine announcements, such as road closures and other public safety messages. Messages will be sent to residents on their preferred contact method including cell phone, SMS, home phone, email, fax, pager and more—to ensure real-time access to potentially lifesaving information.

“We are committed to ensure public safety, community awareness and emergency response for the residents and businesses in Washtenaw County,” said David Halteman, Director of the Washtenaw County Sheriff's Office, Emergency Services Division. “The Everbridge emergency notification system allows the County to disseminate this information across all types of devices, ensuring residents have access to real-time public information when they need it the most.”

“A resilient, comprehensive critical communications system is an essential tool for Counties that need to notify thousands of residents and businesses rapidly and efficiently,” said Jaime Ellertson, CEO of Everbridge. “Everbridge is proud to have been selected by Washtenaw County as a critical component of its public safety and emergency response program.”

Register for Washtenaw County Emergency Alerts now at www.washtenaw.org/alerts.