

ALSIP NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

Working Together To Make Alsip A Great Place To Live

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Prepare for Emergencies Now: Preparing Makes Sense

The likelihood that you and your family will survive a house fire depends as much on having a working smoke detector and an exit strategy, as your dependence on a well-trained fire department.

The same is true for surviving a natural disaster or other emergency. We must have the tools and plans in place to make it on our own, at least for a period of time, no matter where we are when disaster strikes. Just like having a working smoke detector, preparing for the unexpected makes sense.

Get a Kit of Emergency Supplies
Be prepared to use what you have on hand to make it on your own for at least three days. Think first about fresh water, food, and clean air.

You may need a gallon of water per person, three day



supply of non-perishable foods, warm clothes, duct tape, heavyweight garbage bags, plastic sheeting, flashlight, and first aid kit.

Make a Plan for what you will do in an emergency

Develop a family communication plan. Consider a plan where each family member calls, or emails, the same friend or relative in the event of an emergency. Create a plan to shelter in place. Create a plan to get away. Know emergency plans at school and work.

Be informed about what might happen

Begin a process of learning about the differences between natural or manmade emergencies and biological, chemical, explosive, nuclear and radiological disasters. By beginning a process of learning, about these specific threats, you are preparing yourself to react in an emergency.

Get Involved in preparing your community

Start a neighborhood watch program in your neighborhood. Sign up for nixle.com, to receive community news information from the Alsip Police Department.

Source: www.ready.gov

Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over!

Illinois law enforcement is absolutely committed to reducing alcohol related traffic fatalities, and the Alsip Police Department is committed to helping.

Every 30 minutes, someone in America dies because of an impaired

driver & every two (2) minutes someone is injured.

The *Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over* impaired driving enforcement mobilizations take place during major holidays – times of year, when unfortunately, impaired

driving fatalities tend to be higher.

Please drink responsibly and help keep impaired drivers off our streets.

Resource:
www.drivesoberillinois.org

Burglary From Motor Vehicle

12-23: 11900 BLK RIDGEWAY AVE.: Black Chevrolet entered and items strewn across interior; no items stolen

Lock Out Crime
– Protect your home from intruders

Use sturdy doors

Use safe locks

Install a viewfinder

Consider window pegs

Secure sliding glass doors

Consider various outdoor lighting options

Never allow strangers into your home

Put some electrical equipment on timers

Burglary – Residential

12-01: 11500 BLK KARLOV AVE.: Men’s bicycle stolen from garage; no forced entry

12-01: 4600 BLK 122nd ST.: Rifle, coins, and jewelry stolen from residence by unknown offender; no forced entry

12-30: 5800 BLK COLLEGE DR.: Jewelry, currency, and safe stolen from residence by unknown offender; no signs of forced entry

Criminal Damage & Defacement to Property

12-3: 3400 BLK 123rd ST.: Trash cans damaged by unknown vehicle driven by unknown subject

12-6: 12500 BLK KOSTNER AVE.: Red Dodge had windows damaged by unknown offender

12-18: 11600 BLK KILDARE AVE.: Victims silver Dodge had tires flattened while parked on street

12-21: 12300 BLK LAVERGNE AVE.: Red Ford had windows damaged by unknown offender

12-22: 4800 BLK 122nd ST.: Front tire damaged on tan Buick parked in lot and patio door scratched by an unknown offender

12-23: 4300 BLK PARK LANE DR.: Front bumper and tires damaged on red Nissan parked in lot; unknown offender

Identity Theft Crimes

12-28: 12200 BLK MCDANIEL ST.: Victims personal information used to open lines of credit

*****In the month of December (58) residents of Alsip had reported that their information was used without permission to apply for Unemployment Benefits *****

Fighting Back Against Identity Theft

**Deter
Detect
Defend**

Safe guard your personal information

Routinely monitor your financial accounts and billing statements

Defend against ID Theft as soon as you suspect it

Visit AnnualCreditReport.com or call 877-322-8228, to order your free credit reports each year.

Motor Vehicle Thefts

12-12: 11500 BLK PULASKI RD.: Gray Infinity stolen while parked on street; unknown offender(s)

12-22: 11900 BLK RIDGEWAY AVE.: Gray Ford stolen overnight; unknown offender

12-22: 4800 BLK 122nd ST.: Orange Dodge stolen from parking lot and recovered on street near residence

Theft Over/Under \$500.00

12-11: 11900 BLK LAWDALE AVE.: Victims delivered package stolen by unknown offender

12-19: 3900 BLK 115th PL.: Reported delivered packages never delivered to victims residence

12-15: 3900 BLK 115th PL.: Delivered packages stolen from residence by unknown subject

12-20: 3600 BLK 119th ST.: Packages stolen from victim's residence after being delivered by unknown offender

12-17: 12600 BLK ALPINE DR.: Wallet stolen from victim's purse inside residence by unknown offender

12-27: 4800 BLK 122nd ST.: Pistol stolen from dresser of residence by unknown subject



Awareness is the Key to Your Safety.

VILLAGE OF ALSIP DIRECTORY

ALSIP POLICE DEPARTMENT

EMERGENCY.....911

Police Non-Emergency.....708-385-6131

Crime Prevention Unit.....708-385-6902 x249

Crime Free Housing Program.....708-385-6902 x249

Village of Alsip Departments

Building/Clerks/Water Department.....708-385-6902

Fire Department Non-Emergency.....708-385-6121

Health Department.....708-385-6902 x336

Public Works Department.....708-385-6902 x364

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Today, 9-1-1 Can't Find You

Over 80% of calls made to 9-1-1 come from mobile phones. When you dial 9-1-1 from a mobile phone, the 9-1-1 call takers have very little information to help you – only your phone number and a very general sense of your location.

This is a serious problem in an emergency when seconds count, particularly if you or your loved ones have medical conditions, or are unable to safely speak.

[The Solution is Smart911](http://www.smart911.com)

Smart911 Saves Time and Saves Lives

With Smart911, you can provide 9-1-1 call takers and first responders critical information you want them to know in any kind of emergency.

When you call 9-1-1, your Smart911 Safety Profile displays on the 9-1-1 screen and the 9-1-1 call



takers can view your addresses, medical information, home information, description of pets and vehicles, and emergency contacts. You can provide as much or as little information as you like.

Smart911 is a national service meaning your Smart911 Safety Profile travels with you and is visible to any participating 9-1-1 center nationwide.

With Alerts powered by Smart911, you can sign up for notifications from your community to keep you informed of weather, traffic, and other emergencies. Hear immediately about life-saving actions you must take to keep yourself and your family safe.

Alsip citizens who wish to continue to receive emergency alerts and or create a safety profile are required to register with Smart911 by going to this site. <https://www.smart911.com>

If you have any questions, comments or concerns, contact the Crime Prevention Officer. Ofc. R. Merlo @ 708-385-6902 Ext. 249