

EMERGENCY

Office of Emergency Management



Cuyahoga County
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At-A-Glance

Emergency Notification

Mass notification systems notify residents and businesses of critical situations and provide information on necessary actions. Emergencies that may generate a message from these mass notification systems include evacuations, shelter-in-place situations, major traffic disruptions, AMBER Alerts, gas leaks, boil water advisories, and weather warnings.

Outdoor warning sirens...

- In Cuyahoga County, 21 municipalities have outdoor warning sirens. They target people who are outdoors or who may not have access to other notification methods such as email, text messages, and websites.

Wireless Emergency Alerts and Commercial Mobile Alert Systems...

- Wireless Emergency Alerts (WEA), also known as the Commercial Mobile Alert System (CMAS) or the Personal Localized Alerting Network (PLAN), is a national emergency alert system that sends concise, text-like messages to users' WEA-capable mobile devices.

NOAA Weather Radio...

- A commercially available National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Weather Radio receives emergency weather alert information as well as routine forecasts 24-hours a day.
- SAME (Specific Area Message Encoder) codes are also known as EAS (Emergency Alert System) codes. SAME enabled radios can be programmed to alert for a specific area.
- NOAA weather radios also receive emergency messages pertaining to other types of hazardous situations including AMBER Alerts.

Cuyahoga County's Mass Notification System...

- Cuyahoga County uses a system that allows an alert message to target geographic areas of the County in case of an emergency that requires immediate action and where rapid and accurate notification to citizens is essential.
- Subscribers can receive Cuyahoga County alert information on various devices including cellular phones, text alerts or e-mails.
- To sign up, go to: ready.cuyahogacounty.us

Sources: U.S. Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and Cuyahoga County Office of Emergency Management (CCOEM)



Did You Know?

Having redundant sources of emergency notifications on mobile devices will ensure you get the right message during an emergency



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