



***Humboldt County, Nevada
Sheriff's Office
Ed Kilgore, Sheriff***

PRESS RELEASE

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LOCATION: Humboldt County

TOPIC: Emergency Notification System

DETAILS: The Humboldt County Sheriff's Office is pleased to announce that their new Emergency Notification System is up and running. After several months of set up and training, the Citywatch emergency message system is in place.

This system will allow for the delivery of critical emergency messages to be sent to all areas of Humboldt County should the need arise. These messages will be sent by the Humboldt County Sheriff's Office, but the individual requests to get messages out may be received from any emergency services entity (i.e., Fire Departments, Police Department, Nevada Highway Patrol, etc).

To ensure that members of the community receive these messages, the public is strongly encouraged to log onto the Humboldt County Sheriff's Office web site and then click on the scrolling banner located at the top. Those doing so will then be linked to the Citywatch sign up sheet. From here, just follow the listed instructions. When you get to the "city" field, locate the community within Humboldt County that best describes where you reside. You will be asked to register a primary telephone number, at which you wish to be notified, as well as a cell phone number, and or an e-mail address. This system has the capability of delivering emergency messages to all three of these types of communications devices.

In the event of a serious emergency, for which members of the public need to be notified, the Sheriff's Office will record and send out a message with information or instructions to all of the people that register and are in the particular area that needs to receive the message. For example, during the Thomas Fire of '07, this system could have been used to deliver a message to particular neighborhoods which needed to evacuate. The system has been used by other law enforcement agencies nationwide to deliver "Amber Alerts", and also to seek out the public's help in serious criminal investigations. This notification system was used to alert neighborhoods surrounding the University of Nevada Reno during the investigation phase of the Brianna Dennison case a few years back.

Humboldt County Sheriff Ed Kilgore wants to ensure the public that the contact information they provide will be kept strictly by his office and NEVER released to any one. Also, the Citywatch Notification System will never be utilized for any notifications other than those deemed to be extremely serious, and or where the public's potential help in an incident is critical.

Again, it is vitally important that if you wish to be included in this emergency notification system, you register as soon as possible. You will not be contacted by anyone from the Sheriff's Office after you register unless an emergency occurs.

If you have any questions concerning this emergency notification system, please call Undersheriff Curtiss C. Kull at (775) 623-6419.

The Sheriff's Office web site to register is:

www.hcsonv.com

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