

Winter 2021

Limerick Township

Newsletter

**Thank you,
Tom,
for 35
Years of
Dedicated
Service**



**working
to build
a better
community
for
everyone**

Thomas J. Neafcy, Jr., Supervisor,
Retires from Board

Message from the Chairman



Kara Shuler
Chairman

It is never easy to say goodbye, but we must do so to Supervisor Tom Neafcy, who is stepping down from the Board after 21 years of service. Prior to his tenure on the Board, Tom also served on the Township's Parks and Recreation Committee, Planning Commission, Zoning Hearing Board, and Emergency Management Committee. His contributions to Limerick total 35 years. Many community-wide amenities that we now enjoy, such as the award-winning Limerick Community Park, are attributed to his service.

His dedication to parks, open space, and trails remained consistent during his time on the Board and also the eight years that he served on the Township Grant Committee. His efforts contributed greatly to the more than \$15 million in grant funding the Township achieved during his years of service. The most notable success came in 2007 when Limerick was awarded \$2.4 million to assist with the purchase of the Kurylo Preserve on North Limerick Road. This 80-acre open space parcel is now improved with a wonderful trail that connects to Limerick Community Park. It is also part of an overall 8-mile trail network that has been under construction since 2013, for which the Township has received approximately \$1.5 million in grant funding.

Tom has been a strong supporter of our Police, Fire, and Emergency Service providers and the public safety services they provide. As calls for service increased with the growth of the community over the past three decades, Tom was always out-front advocating for our Emergency Service providers to ensure they had the necessary funding, equipment, support, and staffing to serve this growing community.

Tom's positive contributions to this Township will provide far-reaching benefits to our current residents, and also to those who will someday call Limerick their home.

On behalf of the entire Limerick organization, I extend our thanks for your service and contributions to this community that will endure for many years to come.

I also wish you all a Merry Christmas and wonderful Holiday Season, and my best wishes for the New Year.

Kara Shuler

Township Building Holiday Office Hours

The Township Building & Administrative Offices will be
CLOSED on the following dates in observance of
Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, and New Year's Day:

December 24th, 27th, and 31st

Note: The Board of Supervisors will meet for their
reorganizational meeting on ***Monday, January 3, 2022 at 7:00PM.***



Thomas J. Neafcy, Jr.—Farewell



Thomas J. Neafcy, Jr. has served Limerick Township in various capacities, beginning in the mid-1980s. During his tenure, he served on the Zoning Hearing Board, Planning Commission, Grant Writing Committee, and Emergency Management Committee. Most notably, he served on the Board of Supervisors for 21 years.

He has been an upstanding community servant, encouraging the advancement of many successful projects that the community now enjoys today.

Tom has been an advocate for improvements to the Township's Parks, Open Space & Trail System and a supporter of public safety and our first responders. He was a responsible steward of the community's tax dollars and utilizing grant funding to accomplish long-term capital projects.

We thank Thomas J. Neafcy, Jr. for his accomplishments and service to this great Township and wish him nothing but the best in the future!



Manderach Playground Construction 1998



NEW WESTBOUND 422 RAMP AT SANATOGA NOW OPEN

In November, the Township completed construction of the new Route 422 Westbound Ramp at the Sanatoga Exit on schedule and ahead of the busy holiday shopping season.

Motorists wishing to travel West on Route 422, will no longer need to make a left-hand turn across oncoming traffic, thereby improving traffic safety.

The Township thanks Lower Pottsgrove Township, who partnered with us for the design, construction, & required grant funding match - all of which were pivotal in bringing this \$1.509 million project to reality.

Both municipalities have begun preliminary planning for an Eastbound Route 422 off-ramp, once again joining together to seek grant funding to cover the majority of the estimated \$4 million project. This second ramp is necessary to allow for anticipated future growth in both Lower Pottsgrove and Limerick Townships.



Photo courtesy of Traffic, Planning, and Design, Inc.



“Long-term planning is a bedrock of the Limerick Township organization and has resulted in many positive improvements to our community, such as this new ramp.

We thank Lower Pottsgrove for their support and look forward to working with them again, as both municipalities work pro-actively to address the future challenges facing the Route 422 corridor,” states Kara Shuler, Chairman, Board of Supervisors.



3 Easy Ways to Stay Informed on What's Happening in the Township

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Township ♣ Police Dept. ♣ Parks & Rec



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Sign up to get Email or Text Message Alerts on new information posted on the Township website



Help save a tree and sign up to receive the Township Newsletter electronically.

Please email Tim at: THaas@LimerickPA.org



TOWNSHIP PROJECT HIGHLIGHT



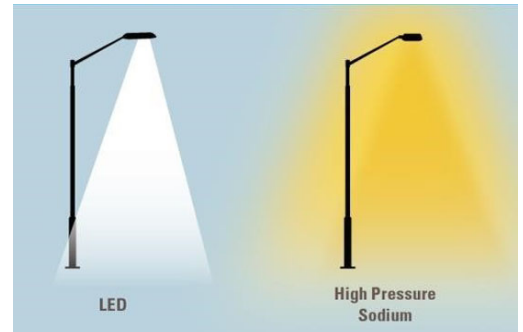
GOING GREEN AND SAVING GREEN

Limerick Township is excited to announce a green-initiative project that is under way. The Township is participating with the Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission in a streetlight buyback program. Under this program, the Township is replacing all existing High Pressure Sodium streetlights within its boundary with energy-efficient L.E.D. lighting.

This conversion will result in an estimated
\$40,000 ANNUAL savings to the Township.

Additional long-term benefits of the L.E.D. conversion include reducing greenhouse gases by 27.1 metric tons per year, creating uniform lighting standards to increase safety for residents and motorists, and lowering annual maintenance costs.

L.E.D. CONVERSION STREETLIGHT PROJECT



LEDs have a more efficient lighting pattern that reduce glare and focus the light directly on the area to be lit.

While on the Topic of Power & Lighting...

A Reminder from the Code Services Department:

ELECTRICAL PERMITS require that all Electrical Inspections and Plan Reviews are to be conducted by a Third-Party Electrical Inspection Agency.

Electrical Permit Guidelines and a list of our current Third-Party Electrical Inspection Agencies can be found on our website under Code Services—Applications & Forms at www.limerickpa.org/161/Applications-Forms

Commercial projects require signed and sealed electrical plans by an architect or engineer, licensed in Pennsylvania, unless otherwise directed by the Limerick Township Code Official.

Adhering to these guidelines will help expedite the permit process.

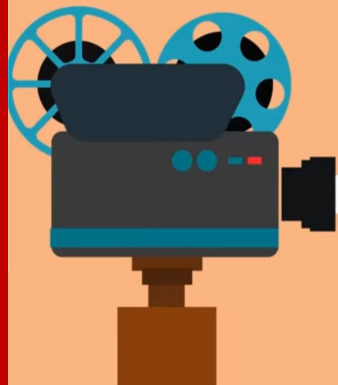
"The addition to, alteration of, replacement of, or relocation of any electrical wiring or receptacles will require a permit."



Parks & Recreation

For detailed information on all Limerick Township Parks & Recreation events, programs, camps and more, please visit the Township website at:

www.LimerickPA.org/155/-Recreation



Get your stocking stuffers today!

MOVIE TICKETS

Regal Cinemas - \$9.50
Movie Tavern - \$9.00

Limerick Flag Football

April 23rd - June 11th



Community Events

Ugly Sweater Contest	<i>Dec. 17-19</i>
Noon Years Eve	<i>Dec. 30</i>
Princess Party	<i>March 19</i>
Uniform Swap	<i>March 19</i>
Coffee Talk	<i>March 23</i>
Winter Activity Packet	<i>Active Adults</i>

NOW HIRING!

SUMMER CAMP STAFF

**CAMP RUNS
JUNE 20 - AUGUST 5**

~ LEADERSHIP
~ TEAMWORK
~ CREATIVITY
~ ADVENTURE
&
FUN!

APPLICANTS AGES 15 AND UP

APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE AT:
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UNDER PARKS & RECREATION
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PARKS AND RECREATION

Camp Shamrock
Entering grades 1st - 4th

Shamrock Adventures
Entering grades 5th-7th

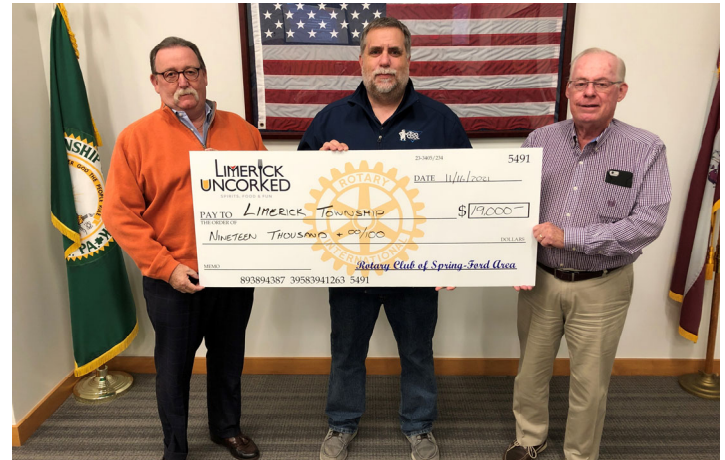
2022 Camp
Information available
January 3rd

REGISTRATION BEGINS FEBRUARY 1ST

Summer SHAMROCK CAMPS

JUNE 20 • AUGUST 5

Community Organizations Donate over \$26,800 for Parks & Rec Programs



*Limerick Township thanks these organizations
for their continued partnership and
contributions to our community!*



Limerick's partnership with both the Spring-Ford Chamber of Commerce and the Spring-Ford Area Rotary Club has garnered \$26,800 in donations to support camps for children, senior programs, and maintenance of the Community Park.

At the October 19th Board of Supervisors' meeting, members of the Spring-Ford Chamber of Commerce were in attendance to present a check to Limerick Township in the amount of \$7,800 for funds raised from the 2021 Community Day.

At the November 16th Board of Supervisors' meeting, members of the Spring-Ford Area Rotary Club were in attendance to present a check to Limerick Township in the amount of \$19,000 for funds raised from the 3rd Annual Limerick Uncorked event.

Both events were held at the Limerick Community Park.

Christmas Tree Recycling

Christmas trees may
be dropped off for
recycling at the
designated area at
the Limerick
Community Park



12/26 thru
01/31

*Please remove all
Tinsel, Lights, &
Ornaments*

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT WELCOMES NEW EMPLOYEE

Cody Robbins, *Public Works*:

Cody started with the Township's Public Works Department in November and brings over six years of Public Works experience.

When asked what interested him in the position, he stated, "Limerick is a top-tier Township and I'm looking forward to growing my career and skills here with this highly-skilled team".

Cody is also a high school football coach and enjoys spending time with friends and family in his free time.



Emergency Management News

On November 16th, Limerick Township's Emergency Operations Center (EOC) Staff once again participated in the Limerick Generating Station Preparedness Drill. The Township EOC staff is comprised of members of the Limerick Fire Department, Police, EMS, a ham radio operator, Public Works and Administrative Staff, as well as the Township's Emergency Management Department.

The entire EOC Staff is trained to effectively carry out a situational response, as simulated County-wide during this Preparedness Drill, which was evaluated by all levels of governmental agencies, including FEMA, PEMA, and Montgomery County.

As a host municipality, both the Township and its residents need to be aware of what to do in a real-life emergency situation arising at the power plant.

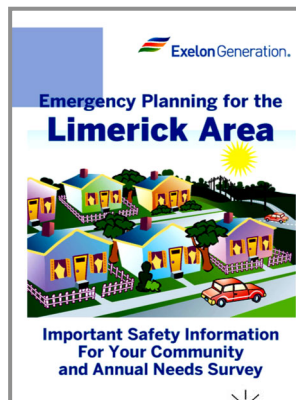


What You Can Do & What You Should Know To Be Prepared

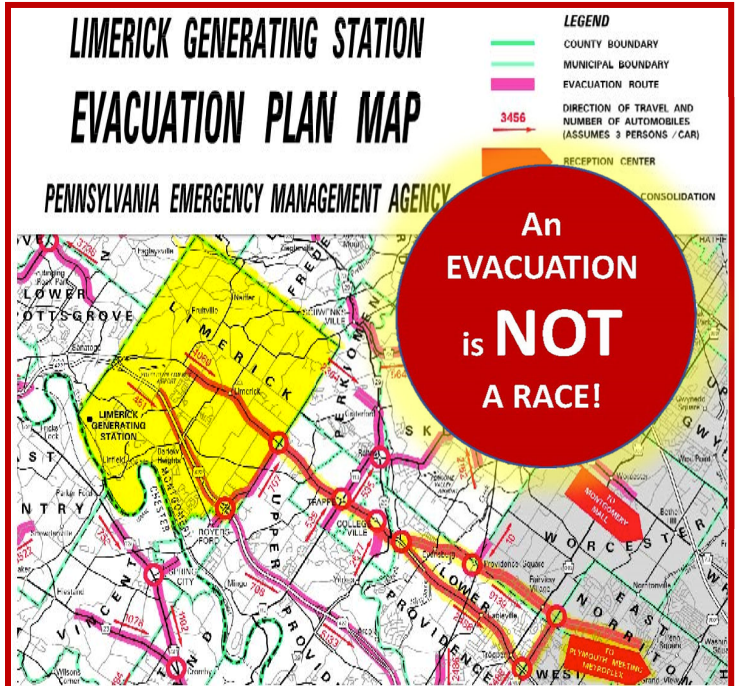
- Sign up for Ready MontCo alerts!

Be Alert • Be Informed
READYMONTCO

- Read and be familiar with the information provided in the Exelon Emergency Planning Guide, which is mailed out to all residents every 2 years.
- Know what radio and TV stations to tune into if you hear the Emergency Sirens activated.
- Register for assistance if you have access and/or functional needs.



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WNTD 990



Visit the Montgomery County's website for important information, including a copy of the Exelon Emergency Planning Guide, Ready MontCo, Potassium Iodide (KI) tablet distribution locations at: <https://www.montcopa.org/132/Public-Safety>

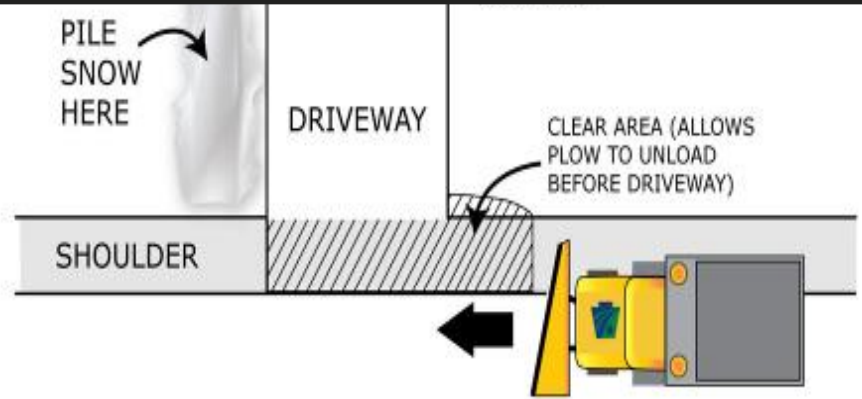
WINTER REMINDERS

Snow Emergency

DO NOT
DRIVE UNLESS IT
IS ABSOLUTELY
NECESSARY.

If a State of
Emergency is called,
please stay off the
roads so the plows can
do their job without any
increased danger.

To prevent your driveway
from being plowed in, please follow the
diagram below provided by PennDOT



Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) WINTER UPDATE

Tips for protecting our local streams and creeks this winter

- 1) **Dispose of shoveled snow in vegetated areas.** This will allow the snow to infiltrate, instead of becoming stormwater runoff. Never dump into streets or waterways.
- 2) **Use de-icing chemical and salts sparingly.** Focus on making your walkways and driveways safe, but try to avoid overusing or spreading in vegetated areas or near waterways. Sweep up any extra salt left over before it runs into storm drains.
- 3) **Shovel as soon as possible after a snowstorm.** As a result, less ice will form and you won't need to use as much salt or de-icer.
- 4) **Plant native, salt tolerant species near paved areas.** Not only will these species be able to survive despite the salt, they will also reduce stormwater runoff.

Check out our website to learn more:
www.perkiomenwatershed.org



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2021 Limerick Township Board of Supervisors *(Pictured from Left to Right above)*

Michael J. McCloskey, III - Vice Chair, Thomas J. Neafcy, Jr., Kara Shuler - Chair, Patrick Morroney, Kenneth W. Sperring, Jr.

Limerick Township Municipal Building
646 W. Ridge Pike, Limerick, PA 19468
(610) 495-6432
www.LimerickPA.org



Monthly Public Meetings held at the Township Building:

Please check our website for updated information and agendas

Board of Supervisors

*1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month
7:00 P.M.*

Planning Commission

*4th Thursday of each month
7:00 P.M.*

Zoning Hearing Board

*4th Wednesday of each month
6:30 P.M.*

NOON YEARS EVE

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\$10 FEE | COUNTDOWN

FROM
11-1PM

LIMERICK TOWNSHIP BUILDING

PRE-REGISTER AT LIMERICKPA.ORG

CONTACT PARKS AND RECREATION FOR
ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
610-495-6432



Limerick Township Parks & Recreation Presents

YOU'RE INVITED TO AN

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SWEATER CONTEST



THE UGLIEST SWEATER WINS A PRIZE!

1 "like" = 1 vote

DECEMBER 17th-19th

Please email your photo to dawnh@limerickpa.org by Thursday, December 16th at 3pm. Photos will be posted on our Facebook page beginning Friday, December 17th. The photo with the most likes will be announced Monday, December 20th @ 3pm.



LIMERICK TOWNSHIP PARKS AND RECREATION

WINTER

Activity Packet



- TRIVIA
- PROJECTS
- GAMES
- RECIPES
- EXERCISES
- & MORE!

FREE FOR ALL ACTIVE ADULTS!

Packets can be picked up
or mailed!

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL ASHLEY at 610-495-6432

Emergency Planning for the Limerick Area



Important Safety Information For Your Community and Annual Needs Survey

2018/2019

**CURRENT VERSION
ON MONTCO WEBSITE**

Please read the entire brochure or have someone translate it for you. Discuss this information with members of your family, and then keep the brochure in a convenient place for future use.

ESTA INFORMACIÓN ES IMPORTANTE

Por favor lea este panfleto o busque a alguien que se lo lea. Comparta esta información con su familia y mantenga este panfleto en un lugar conveniente para un uso futuro. Si necesita obtener copia de este panfleto en español, por favor llame al Centro Hispano Daniel Torres, al 610-685-1264.

What to Do in an Emergency

Monitor and Prepare

Tune your radio or TV to one of the stations listed in this brochure. Monitor the radio and TV for emergency information and follow emergency instructions. People should prepare for possible evacuation (e.g., reunite with family members, assemble emergency kits, provide for pet needs, keep off of the road as much as possible).

Keep Phone Lines Open

Please do not make unnecessary phone calls. Leaving phone lines open for emergency workers will help everyone involved. If you require assistance, call the emergency phone numbers broadcast on the radio or television.

Shelter-in-Place

Go indoors and stay there. Close all doors and windows and shut off any systems that draw in outside air, such as furnaces, fireplaces and air conditioners. Keep listening to the radio for updates. Keep pets inside and shelter farm animals. If traveling in a vehicle, close windows and vents.

If Instructed to Evacuate

In an evacuation, people in the affected area will be asked to go to local reception centers listed within this brochure. After this, they can stay at specified mass care centers or with friends or relatives outside the evacuation zone.

Please do not try to pick up children or others at schools, hospitals, nursing homes or overnight campgrounds. These facilities will be following their own special emergency plans, and you would most likely miss connections. If evacuated, students, hospital patients and nursing home residents will be accompanied to relocation centers where their needs will be addressed. To find out where people are being moved, stay tuned to the radio.

Plan for three days away from home, locking up and turning appliances off as you would for a weekend vacation. Pack all necessary items (see “Emergency Supplies”). Evacuate everyone in your home, following directions given on the radio. These routes will have been selected as the safest ways out of the affected area.

Shadow Evacuation

People should only evacuate when instructed to do so. Evacuation of individuals not within the declared evacuation area could impede evacuation traffic flow. Monitor the radio and prepare to follow instructions.

Staged Evacuation

You may be instructed to shelter-in-place until people in a higher risk area are evacuated. Monitor the radio and prepare to follow instructions.

Information for Farmers

When advised to do so, remove all livestock from pasture, shelter if possible, and provide them with stored feed and protected water. The county U.S. Department of Agriculture representative will provide further instructions regarding the protection of livestock and foodstuffs.

School Information

If your child's school is in session at the time evacuation is recommended, children attending schools located within the emergency planning zone will be transported to designated host schools outside the area. They will remain under supervision until reunited with parents or guardians. These host schools have been planned to coincide with main evacuation routes. Children whose

homes are inside the emergency planning zone, but who attend school outside the emergency planning zone, will not be sent home if an evacuation is recommended. They will remain at the school under supervision until picked up by parents or guardians. See the "County-specific School Information" within this brochure or contact school officials for more information.

Non-Public School and Day Care Information

Parents and guardians with children attending non-public schools or at day care facilities within the emergency planning zone should become familiar with the facilities' emergency plans. Contact the facility operator for more information.

How to Prepare for an Emergency

You never know when you might have to leave your home on short notice. A nuclear incident is only one possibility. Floods, fires, chemical spills or severe illness could occur at any time. Preparing now will help you respond more quickly in any emergency.

Emergency Kit

Keep an emergency kit – portable radio, flashlight, extra batteries, extra car keys, first aid kit and other items – in a special place that the whole family can easily locate. Include this booklet in your emergency kit with your location marked on the map. Write a list of the items you would want to take if you had to leave home quickly and post the list in a convenient spot. Be sure to keep a supply of all the items on your list. Gather any important documents that you might need in an emergency and keep them together in a safe place that you can access quickly and easily.



Transportation

Maintain your vehicle in good running order and keep the gas tank at least half full at all times. **If you will need transportation in an emergency, use the attached reply card to notify local authorities now.**

Pets

Service animals will be permitted inside reception centers or shelters.

Pet sheltering information will be available at the reception centers and shelters for your area.

Contact your respective County Emergency Management Agency for additional information.

Emergency Supplies

- ☐ General first aid kit and any special medication
- ☐ Cash, credit, or ATM cards
- ☐ Important documents
- ☐ Change of clothing
- ☐ Personal health products
(toothbrush, eye care, sanitary products, etc.)
- ☐ Baby formula, diapers, car seat, toys
- ☐ Special dietary foods
- ☐ Pet related supplies



People with Access & Functional Needs

The information gathered by this survey is CONFIDENTIAL. Your county emergency management agency (EMA) and emergency services personnel utilize this information for emergency response planning.

Those with impaired sight, hearing or mobility might have difficulty responding to an emergency.

If you, someone in your household or someone you know who lives in the emergency planning zone will need assistance in an emergency, please notify your county EMA today. Simply fill out and mail the attached reply card. It is postage-paid, so you don't even need a stamp.

This information is updated annually. Please return this survey even if you have previously responded. If you prefer, you may contact your local EMA directly. Area agencies are listed elsewhere in this pamphlet.

Berks County residents please complete the on-line survey at www.berksdes.com or call 610-374-4800 x8206 in lieu of using this reply card.

Local officials may contact you for additional information.

Please check "yes" or "no" for the following questions:

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- 1** Do you have a hearing impairment that would make it difficult to hear outdoor warning sirens or other emergency notifications? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- 2** Do you have a medical or physical condition that would make it difficult to evacuate in an emergency? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- 3** Are you without any personal means of transportation, such as a car or truck, to evacuate in an emergency? ☐ Yes ☐ No
Number of people needing transportation? _____
- 4** Do you have a radio or television? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

Township _____

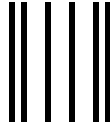
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Email Address _____

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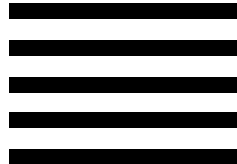


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Nuclear Power and Public Safety

Benefits and Potential Risks of Nuclear Power

Used properly, nuclear fission (the “splitting” of uranium atoms) is a safe, dependable source of electricity. It is reasonable, though, to be concerned about what might happen in the event of a serious incident at a power plant.

A power plant reactor cannot produce a nuclear explosion. The uranium fuel contains very little fissionable material. As for radiation, the complex structure of a nuclear power plant is designed to prevent the release of radiation. A serious incident, however, could allow some radiation to escape and be carried away from the plant by the wind. The degree of risk to the public would depend on the size of the plume, the direction and speed of the wind, and other factors.

Emergency Planning for the Limerick Area

Special plans have already been developed to protect the public in the event of a nuclear incident in your area. These plans give specific attention to people who – like you – live, work or visit within 10 miles of a nuclear power plant. Procedures are in place to help protect you and other members of the public in the unlikely event of a nuclear emergency. If necessary, area officials would declare an emergency and take measures to ensure public safety.

This pamphlet addresses procedures for the Limerick area. Please read and keep this material for future reference. Although it specifically addresses a potential nuclear accident, much of the information is useful in any major emergency.

Warning Sirens

If you hear a siren, you should tune to one of the Emergency Alert System (EAS) stations listed in this brochure for official information.

The sirens are full volume tested semi-annually in June and December. A monthly test is also conducted which operates the sirens for less than one minute.

A siren may malfunction and inadvertently sound. If you feel a siren is malfunctioning, please contact your county emergency management officials at the numbers below:

Berks County (610) 655-4921

Montgomery County (610) 631-6530

Chester County (610) 344-5000 or (800) 732-1580

Public Inquiry Telephone Numbers

Berks County (610) 320-6150

Montgomery County (610) 631-3000

Chester County (610) 344-6480

TTY/TTD (610) 344-4785

Shelter-in-Place or Evacuation

Officials might recommend that people either take shelter indoors or evacuate an area. It is critically important that you follow the recommended course of action. Staying home when instructed to evacuate or driving around when urged to stay indoors could expose you to danger unnecessarily.

NOTE: If you or someone you know might not respond to warning sirens or radio broadcasts due to impaired hearing or other factors, please use the attached reply card to notify local authorities now.

Potassium Iodide (KI)

Potassium Iodide (KI) is a nonprescription drug that may prevent the thyroid from absorbing radioactive iodine. KI is one type of protective action that may be recommended during a nuclear incident. KI should only be taken at the direction of the appropriate state and local authorities. Consult your physician if you have concerns about the safety of KI for your child or yourself. KI is effective in blocking the absorption of radioactive iodine only. Since it does not block the absorption of any other radioactive material, evacuation or sheltering in place may be the most effective and preferred protective actions. Residents living within the 10-mile radius, who have not already done so, may obtain more information about KI or obtain KI by contacting:

**Pennsylvania Department of Health at 1-877-PA-HEALTH or
www.health.state.pa.us**

Classification of Accidents

There are four accident classifications used to describe nuclear emergencies. We contact federal, state and local authorities in each of the following situations:

UNUSUAL EVENT — Events are in progress or have occurred which indicate a potential degradation of the level of safety of the plant or indicate a security threat to facility protection. No releases of radioactive material requiring off-site response or monitoring are expected unless further degradation of safety systems occurs.

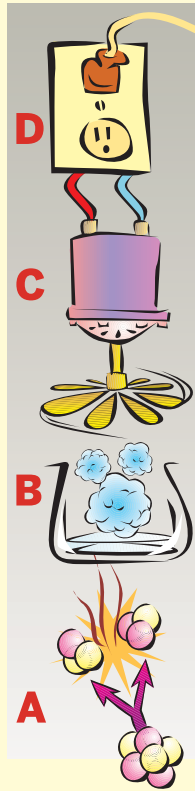
ALERT — Events are in progress or have occurred which involve an actual or potential substantial degradation of the level of safety of the plant or a security event that involves probable life threatening risk to site personnel or damage to site equipment because of intentional malicious dedicated efforts of a hostile act. Any releases are expected to be limited to small fractions of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Protective Action Guideline exposure levels.

SITE AREA EMERGENCY — Events are in progress or have occurred which involve actual or likely major failures of plant functions needed for protection of the public or security events that result in intentional damage or malicious acts: (1) toward site personnel or equipment that could lead to the likely failure of or; (2) prevents effective access to equipment needed for the protection of the public. Any releases are not expected to result in exposure levels which exceed EPA Protective Action Guideline exposure levels beyond the site boundary.

GENERAL EMERGENCY — Events are in progress or have occurred which involve actual or imminent substantial core degradation or melting with potential for loss of containment integrity or security events that result in an actual loss of physical control of the facility. Releases can be reasonably expected to exceed EPA Protective Action Guideline exposure levels off-site for more than the immediate site area.

What You Need to Know About Nuclear Power Plants and Radiation

How Do Nuclear Plants Work?



Power plants create electricity by running steam turbines, which are powered either by fossil fuels – coal, oil, natural gas – or by nuclear power. Nuclear technology produces energy by splitting uranium atoms in a process called fission. (A) Fission generates heat that (B) boils water for the steam that runs the (C) turbines, which produce the (D) electricity that we all use – making, for instance, (E) toast for breakfast.

In a nuclear power plant, pea-sized uranium pellets are stacked inside long, thin fuel rods, which are grouped in “assemblies” inside a reactor “core.” The core is encased in a very thick steel capsule, and the entire reactor is further protected by an airtight steel and concrete building called a “containment.” This complex structure is designed to help ensure the safe utilization of nuclear power.

How Do We All Benefit From Nuclear Power?

Any fuel used to produce energy also produces waste. By-products of coal-burning include smoke, ashes and slag. Even with the latest technologies, it is impossible to prevent some of this waste from reaching the environment outside the power plant. Nuclear power generation, on the other hand, produces waste primarily in the form of spent fuel, which is not released into the environment. Besides helping to protect

the environment, nuclear energy is also highly efficient, producing vastly more energy for its weight than coal or oil. We would have to burn more than 120 gallons of oil or up to a ton of coal to produce the same amount of energy as that found in a single pellet of uranium.

What Is Radiation?

Radiation is energy in the form of rays or particles. Some atoms – the ones we call radioactive – are unstable. As they go through a natural process called “decay” in which they change into a stable atom, they throw off rays or particles called radiation. Radiation is exactly the same, whether from nature, or medical or industrial activities.

Radiation is measured in millirems. On average, a person receives about 300 millirem of radiation annually from natural sources and another 300 millirem or so from X-rays and other medical procedures. It takes more than 35 times this much — over 20,000 millirem in a single day — to produce identifiable effects in the body. Federal regulations allow workers to receive up to 5,000 millirem of radiation in the course of a year’s work.

For More Information, Please Visit:

www.dep.pa.gov/business/radiationprotection

www.nrc.gov

www.nei.org

www.hps.org/publicinformation/Radterms

www.emergency.cdc.gov/radiation

Evacuation Routes



Know your location on the map and mark it. Some primary evacuation routes are listed below. In an emergency, follow the directions given on the radio or TV, even if different from those shown below. Broadcasted directions will be based on actual road and weather conditions and wind direction – helping to ensure your safety as you leave the evacuation area. Report to the identified reception center. If you need a temporary place to stay, the center will provide directions to a mass care center nearby. For those who require transportation assistance, call the transportation assistance numbers listed below for your area.

Evacuation Routes/ Reception Centers/ Transportation Assistance Numbers

Berks County

Amity Township (Amity Gardens)

Evacuation Route: Take Route 422 West to the reception center.

Reception Center: Exeter Township Building, East of Reading.

Transportation Assistance Number:
(610) 689-6000

Amity Township (East)

Evacuation Route: Take Route 662 North to Route 73 East to reception center.

Reception Center: Oley Valley High School, Oley.

Transportation Assistance Number:
(610) 689-6000

Boyertown Borough

Evacuation Route: Take Route 73 West to reception center.

Reception Center: Oley Valley High School, Oley.

Transportation Assistance Number:
(610) 369-3028

Colebrookdale Township (West of Route 100)

Evacuation Route: Take Route 73 West to the reception center.

Reception Center: Oley Valley High School, Oley.

Transportation Assistance Number:
(610) 369-3028

Colebrookdale Township (East of Route 100)

Evacuation Route: Take Route 100 North to Route 29 North to the reception center.

Reception Center: Emmaus High School, Emmaus.

Transportation Assistance Number:
(610) 369-3028

Douglass Township (South)

Evacuation Route: Take Route 662 North to Route 73 East to the reception center.

Reception Center: Oley Valley High School, Oley.

Transportation Assistance Number:
(610) 367-8500

Douglass Township (North)

Evacuation Route: Take Route 562 West to Route 662 North to Route 73 East to the reception center.

Reception Center: Oley Valley High School, Oley.

Transportation Assistance Number:
(610) 367-8500

Earl Township

Evacuation Route: Take Route 562 West to 662 North to Route 73 East to the reception center.

Reception Center: Oley Valley High School, Oley.

Transportation Assistance Number:
(610) 367-8920

Union Township

Evacuation Route: Take Route 724 West to the reception center.

Reception Center: Robeson Township Building.

Transportation Assistance Numbers:
(610) 385-3769 or (610) 582-3769

Washington Township

Evacuation Route: Take Route 100 North to Route 29 North to the reception center.

Reception Center: Emmaus High School, Emmaus.

Transportation Assistance Number:
(610) 845-7760

Pick-up Points

Boyertown Bus Routes

(Municipal Pick-up Points)

Schedule 1

- S. Reading Ave. & Walker Dr.
- S. Reading Ave. & College, Walnut, & W. Second Street "Hub"
- E. Philadelphia Ave. at Chestnut St. – Inner Core Lot

Schedule 2

- Second & Madison Sts.
- Third & Madison Sts.
- Fourth & Madison Sts.
- Fifth & Franklin Sts. – Tot Lot

Schedule 3

- N. Reading Ave. & Spring St.
- Multi Service – YMCA Building

Schedule 4

- W. Philadelphia Ave. & Walnut St.
- W. Philadelphia Avenue & Orchard Hills

Schedule 5

- Borough Hall Lot
- E. Philadelphia Ave. & Franklin St.
- E. Philadelphia Ave. at Chestnut St. – Inner Core Lot

Berks County-Specific School Information

School District: Daniel Boone

Risk Schools: Daniel Boone Middle School
Amity Elementary

Monocacy Elementary

Host School: Daniel Boone High School

School District: Boyertown Area

Risk Schools: Boyertown Senior High
Middle School East
Middle School West

Host School: Keystone Hall, Kutztown University

Risk Schools: Boyertown Elementary
Colebrookdale Elementary

New Hanover Elementary

Host School: Kutztown Area Middle School

Risk Schools: Gilbertsville Elementary
Pine Forge Elementary

Host School: Kutztown Elementary School

Chester County

Charlestown Township

Evacuation Route: Take Route 29 South to Route 202 South to the reception center.

Reception Center: Stetson Middle School (Route 202 South of West Chester).

Transportation Assistance Number:
(610) 240-0326

East Coventry Township

Evacuation Route: Take Route 23 West to the reception center.

Reception Center: Morgantown Crossings.

Transportation Assistance Number:
(610) 495-5443

East Nantmeal Township – West

Evacuation Route: Take Route 401 West to Route 23 West to the reception center.

Reception Center: Morgantown Crossings.

Transportation Assistance Number:
(610) 458-5780

East Nantmeal Township – East

Evacuation Route: Take Route 100 South to Route 113 South to Route 30 Bypass West to 322 East to the reception center.

Reception Center: Downingtown West HS, Downingtown.

Transportation Assistance Number:
(610) 458-5780

East Pikeland Township

Evacuation Route: Take Route 113 South to Gordon Drive to Route 100 South to the reception center.

Reception Center: W. Whiteland Township Building (Route 100 South of Business Route 30 at Commerce Drive).

Transportation Assistance Number:
(610) 933-1770

East Vincent Township

Evacuation Route: Take Route 23 East to Route 113 South to Gordon Drive to Route 100 South to the reception center.

Reception Center: W. Whiteland Township Building (Route 100 South of Business Route 30 at Commerce Drive).

Transportation Assistance Number:
(610) 933-4424

North Coventry Township – South

Evacuation Route: Take Route 100 South to Route 23 West to the reception center.

Reception Center: Morgantown Crossings.

Transportation Assistance Number:
(610) 323-1694

North Coventry Township – North

Evacuation Route: Take Route 724 West to the reception center.

Reception Center: Robeson Township Building.

Transportation Assistance Number:
(610) 323-1694

Phoenixville Borough – North

Evacuation Route: Take Route 23 East to Route 252 South to Route 202 South to the reception center.

Reception Center: Stetson Middle School (Route 202 South of West Chester).

Transportation Assistance Number:
(610) 933-3500

Phoenixville Borough – South

Evacuation Route: Take Route 29 South to Route 202 South to the reception center.

Reception Center: Stetson Middle School (Route 202, South of West Chester).

Transportation Assistance Number:
(610) 933-3500

Schuylkill Township (East)

Evacuation Route: Take Route 23 East to Route 252 South to Route 202 South to the reception center.

Reception Center: Stetson Middle School (Route 202 South of West Chester).

Transportation Assistance Number:
(610) 933-5843

Schuylkill Township (West)

Evacuation Route: Take Route 29 South to Route 202 South to the reception center.

Reception Center: Stetson Middle School (Route 202 South of West Chester).

Transportation Assistance Number:
(610) 933-5843

South Coventry Township

Evacuation Route: Take Route 23 West to the reception center.

Reception Center: Morgantown Crossings.

Transportation Assistance Number:
(610) 469-0444

Spring City Borough

Evacuation Route: Take Route 724 East to Route 23 E. to Route 113 South to Gordon

Drive to Route 100 South to the reception center.

Reception Center: W. Whiteland Township Building (Route 100 South of Business Route 30 at Commerce Drive).

Transportation Assistance Number:
(610) 948-3660

Upper Uwchlan Township

Evacuation Route: Take Route 100 South to Route 113 South to Route 30 Bypass West to Route 322 East to the reception center.

Reception Center: Downingtown West HS, Downingtown.

Transportation Assistance Number:
(610) 458-9400

Uwchlan Township

Evacuation Route: Take Route 113 South to Gordon Drive to Route 100 South to the reception center.

Reception Center: W. Whiteland Township Building (Route 100 South of Business Route 30 at Commerce Drive).

Transportation Assistance Number:
(610) 363-9450

Warwick Township

Evacuation Route: Take Route 23 West to the reception center.

Reception Center: Morgantown Crossings.

Transportation Assistance Number:
(610) 286-5557

West Pikeland Township

Evacuation Route: Take Route 113 South to Gordon Drive to Route 100 South to the reception center.

Reception Center: W. Whiteland Township Building (Route 100 South of Business Route 30 at Commerce Drive).

Transportation Assistance Number:
(610) 827-7660

West Vincent Township

Evacuation Route: Take Route 100 South to Route 113 South to Route 30 Bypass West to Route 322 East to the reception center.

Reception Center: Downingtown West HS, Downingtown.

Transportation Assistance Number:
(610) 458-7444

Municipal Pick-up Points

I. Phoenixville Borough

Contact Borough Hall for exact pick-up times and locations.

North Side

- Filmore & Franklin Sts.
- Dayton & St. Mary's Sts.
- Black Rock Boat Launch at Rt. 113
- 400 Blk. of High St. next to Friendship Fire Company
- Township Line & Mowere Rds.
- Fairview & Grant Sts.

Downtown Area

- Bridge & Main Sts.
- Buchanan & Morgan Sts.
- 330 Bridge St.
- Main Street & Washington Ave.

East Side

- Second Ave. & Main St.
- 785 Starr St.
- Second Ave. & Lincoln Ave.
- Second Ave. & Carson St.

West Side

- Wheatland & Mason Sts.
- 1050 W. Bridge St.
- 1200 Gay St.
- Nutt Rd. & Bridge St.
- 1200 Lane Ave. (At Water Tank)
- Chester Ave. & Paradise St.
- Morris St. & Lincoln Ave.
- Harvest Lane at W Pothouse Rd.
- Village at Eland & Rt. 113
- 1200 S. Main St.

II. Spring City Borough

Contact Borough Hall for exact pick-up times and locations.

- Church St. & Bridge St.
- Church St. & Yost Ave.
- Church St. & New St.
- Church St. & Hall St.
- Church St. & Chestnut St.
- Church St. & Poplar St.
- Church St. & Washington St.
- Church St. & Walnut St.
- Church St. & Pikeland Ave.
- Main St. & Walnut St.
- Main St. & Poplar St.
- Main St. & Chestnut St.
- Main St. & Hall St.
- Main St. & New St.
- Main St. & Yost Ave.
- Main St. & Bridge St.
- Bridge St. & Penn St.
- Ridge Ave. & Glass St.
- Bridge St. & Glass Ave.

Chester County-Specific School Information

School District: Owen J. Roberts District Schools

Risk Schools: All

Host Schools: Twin Valley H.S./M.S.,
Twin Valley Elementary Center

School District: Phoenixville Area School District

Risk School: Phoenixville H.S.

Host School: Tredyffrin-Easttown Middle School

Risk Schools: Phoenixville Middle School

Schuylkill Elementary

Barkley Elementary

Manavon Elementary

Phoenixville Area Early Learning Center

Host School: Conestoga High School

School District: Downingtown Area School District

Risk School: Pickering Valley Elementary

Host School: Downingtown High School (East)

School District: Great Valley School District

Risk School: Charlestown Elementary

Host School: Great Valley High School

Montgomery County

Collegeville Borough

Evacuation Route: Take Germantown Pike East, right on Chemical Road to the reception center.

Reception Center: Plymouth Meeting Metroplex.

Transportation Assistance Number:

(610) 489-1422

Douglass Township

Evacuation Route: Take Route 100 North to Route 29 North to the reception center.

Reception Center: Emmaus High School, Emmaus.

Transportation Assistance Number:

(610) 367-0984

Green Lane Borough

Evacuation Route: Take Route 63 East to Route 113 North to the reception center.

Reception Center: County Line Plaza, Telford.

Transportation Assistance Number:

(215) 234-9300

Limerick Township

Evacuation Route: Take Ridge Pike East to Germantown Pike East, right on Chemical Road to the reception center.

Reception Center: Plymouth Meeting Metroplex.

Transportation Assistance Number:

(484) 416-6441

Lower Frederick Township

Evacuation Route: Take Route 29 North to Perkiomenville Road to Route 63 East to Route 113 North to the reception center.

Reception Center: County Line Plaza, Telford.

Transportation Assistance Number:

(610) 287-4434

Lower Pottsgrove Township

Evacuation Route: Take Route 663 North to Route 309 North to the reception center.

Reception Center: Southern Lehigh High School.

Transportation Assistance Number:

(610) 960-1326

Lower Providence Township

Evacuation Route: Take Route 363 South to Route 422 East to Route 202 North to Pennsylvania Turnpike East to Exit 351 to Route 1 North to the reception center.

Reception Center: Neshaminy Mall, Cornwells Heights.

Transportation Assistance Number:

(610) 539-5901

Lower Salford Township

Evacuation Route: Take Route 113 North to the reception center.

Reception Center: County Line Plaza, Telford.

Transportation Assistance Number:

(215) 256-8087

Marlborough Township

Evacuation Route: Take Route 63 East to Route 113 North to the reception center.

Reception Center: County Line Plaza, Telford.

Transportation Assistance Number:

(215) 234-9300

New Hanover Township

Evacuation Route: Take Route 663 North to Route 309 North to the reception center.

Reception Center: Southern Lehigh High School.

Transportation Assistance Number:

(610) 323-1008

Perkiomen Township

Evacuation Route: Take Route 29 South to Route 113 North to Route 73 East to Route 202 North to the reception center.

Reception Center: Montgomery Mall, North Wales.

Transportation Assistance Number:

(610) 489-4034

Pottstown Borough (Central)

Evacuation Route: Take Route 100 North to Route 29 North to the reception center.

Reception Center: Emmaus High School, Emmaus.

Transportation Assistance Number:

(610) 970-6500

Pottstown Borough (North)

Evacuation Route: Take Route 663 (North Charlotte Street) to Route 309 North to the reception center.

Reception Center: Southern Lehigh High School.

Transportation Assistance Number:

(610) 970-6500

Pottstown Borough (East)

Evacuation Route: Take Route 422 Bypass West to the reception center.

Reception Center: Exeter Township Building.

Transportation Assistance Number:

(610) 970-6500

Pottstown Borough (South)

Evacuation Route: Take Hanover Street South via Hanover Street Bridge to Route 724 West to the reception center.

Reception Center: Robeson Township Building.

Transportation Assistance Number:

(610) 970-6500

Pottstown Borough (West)

Evacuation Route: Take Route 422 West to the reception center.

Reception Center: Exeter Township Building.

Transportation Assistance Number:

(610) 970-6500

Royersford Borough

Evacuation Route: Take Township Line Road to Ridge Pike East to Germantown Pike East, Right on Chemical Road to the reception center.

Reception Center: Plymouth Meeting Metroplex.

Transportation Assistance Number:

(484) 938-8739

Schwenksville Borough

Evacuation Route: Take Route 73 East to Route 202 North to the reception center.

Reception Center: Montgomery Mall, North Wales

Transportation Assistance Numbers:

(610) 287-7442

Skippack Township

Evacuation Route: Take Route 113 North to Route 73 East to Route 202 North to the reception center.

Reception Center: Montgomery Mall, North Wales.

Transportation Assistance Number:

(610) 454-0909

Trappe Borough (North of Main St.)

Evacuation Route: Take Route 113 North to Route 73 East to Route 202 North to the reception center.

Reception Center: Montgomery Mall, North Wales.

Transportation Assistance Number:

(610) 489-2700

Trappe Borough (South of Main St.)

Evacuation Route: Take Ridge Pike East to Germantown Pike East, right on Chemical Road to the reception center.

Reception Center: Plymouth Meeting Metroplex.

Transportation Assistance Number:

(610) 489-2700

Upper Frederick Township

Evacuation Route: Take Perkiomenville Rd. to Route 63 East to Route 113 North to the reception center.

Reception Center: County Line Plaza, Telford.

Transportation Assistance Number:

(610) 754-7385

Upper Pottsgrove Township

Evacuation Route: Take Route 100 North to Route 29 North to the reception center.

Reception Center: Emmaus High School, Emmaus.

Transportation Assistance Number:

(610) 323-8675

Upper Providence Township

Evacuation Route: Take Route 422 East to Route 202 North to Pennsylvania Turnpike East to Exit 351, then Route 1 North to the reception center.

Reception Center: Neshaminy Mall (Cornwells Heights).

Transportation Assistance Number:

(610) 933-9179

Upper Salford Township

Evacuation Route: Take Route 63 East to Route 113 North to reception center.

Reception Center: County Line Plaza, Telford.

Transportation Assistance Number:

(610) 287-6160

West Pottsgrove Township

Evacuation Route: Take High Street West to Route 422 West to the reception center.

Reception Center: Exeter Township Building (East of Reading).

Transportation Assistance Number:

(610) 323-3721

Pottstown Pick-up Points

(Contact Pottstown Borough Hall for exact pick-up times for your zone.)

Central Zone

St. Aloysius Church Social Hall

Beech & N. Hanover Sts.

First Presbyterian Church

750 N. Evans & Nightingale

Second Baptist Church

507 N. Adams St.

First Church of the Brethern

Fifth & York Sts.

North Zone

Pottstown YMCA

724 N. Adams & Jackson Sts.

St. Paul's United Church

927 Franklin & Grace Sts.

South Zone

Holy Trinity Catholic Church

366 South St.

East Zone

Richard Ricketts Community Center

Beech & N. Adams Sts.

Robert P. Smith Towers

High & Washington Sts.

Chesmont Professional Bldg.

13 Armand Hammer Blvd.

Church of the Nazarene

1045 Beech St.

Goodwill Fire Company

High & S. Bailey Sts.

Bethel Community Church

575 North Keim St.

West Zone

St. Michaels Ukrainian Church

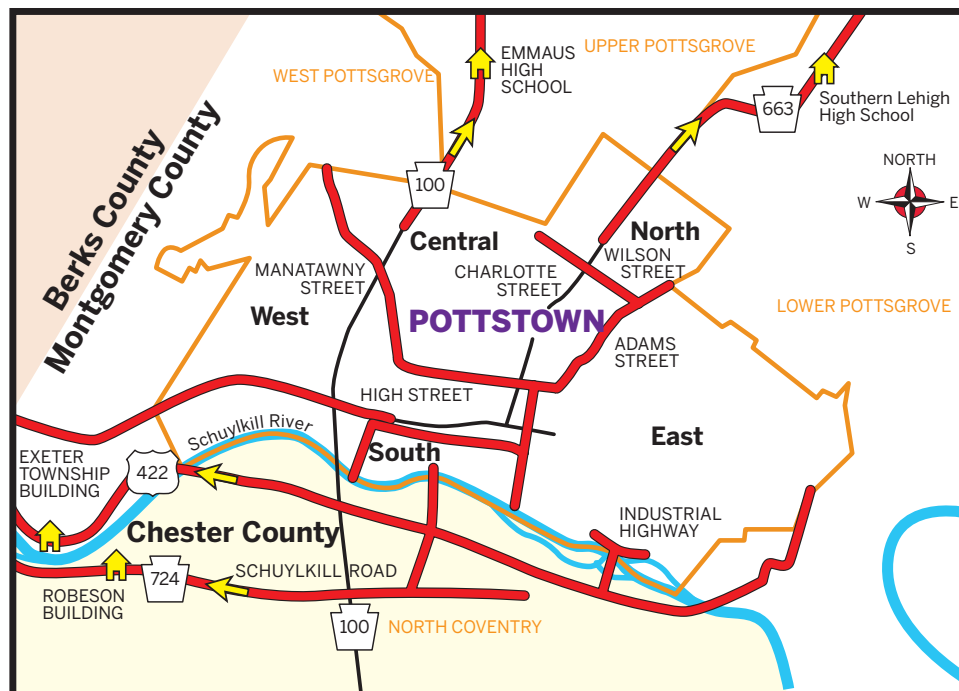
425 W. Walnut St.

Philadelphia Steam Fire Engine Co. #1

Chestnut & Penn Sts.

Ice House Steaks & Pizza

King & Manatawney Sts.



Montgomery County-Specific School Information

School District: Methacton

Risk Schools: All Public Schools

Host School: Norristown Area High School

School District: Perkiomen Valley

Risk Schools: Perkiomen Valley High School

Perkiomen Valley Middle School East

Host School: North Penn High School

Risk Schools: Perkiomen Valley Middle School West

Schwenksville Elementary School

Host School: Pennfield Middle School

Risk Schools: Evergreen Elementary School South Elementary School

Host School: Penndale Middle School

Risk School: Skippack Elementary School

Host School: Pennbrook Middle School

School District: Pottsgrove

Risk Schools: All Public Schools

Host School: Southern Lehigh High School Complex (Center Valley-Lehigh County)

School District: Pottstown

Risk Schools: All Public Schools

Host School: Emmaus High School Complex (Lehigh County)

School District: Souderton Area

Risk School: Salford Hills Elementary School

Host School: Retained at Indian Valley Middle School after normal dismissal time.

School District: Spring-Ford Area

Risk School: All Public Schools

Host School: Montgomery County Community College

School District: Upper Perkiomen

Risk School: All students living in the Emergency Planning Zone.

Host School: Retained at Upper Perkiomen High School (Red Hill) after normal dismissal time.

Vocational Schools

Risk School: Western Montgomery Career and Technology Center

Host School: Upper Perkiomen High School (Red Hill)

Emergency Alert System

The **Emergency Alert System** will provide you with official information in cases of tornadoes, floods, nuclear plant accidents or other emergencies. Turn on your radio or TV for official information and instructions.

Emergency Alert Stations

Berks County

AM

WEEU 830

WRAW 1340

FM

WRFY 102.5

WBYN 107.5

WXAC 91.3

Chester County

FM

WHYY 90.9*

WMGK 102.9*

* Primary Emergency Alert Stations

Montgomery County

AM

KYW 1060

WNPV 1440

WNTP 990

TV

Pottstown Community Television (PCTV)

Cable Channels 22, 28 & 98

Additional Information

For more information on emergency planning in your area, please contact:

Berks County

Department of Emergency Services
Direct Link Technology Center
2561 Bernville Road
Reading, PA 19605
(610) 374-4800
www.BerksDES.com



Berks County Department
of Emergency Services

Attention Berks County Residents

If you are a resident of Berks County and require special assistance during an emergency, please complete the on-line special needs survey at <http://www.berksdes.com>. After accessing the website, click on the “**Berks County Special Needs Survey**” link.

DO NOT COMPLETE THE SURVEY ENCLOSED WITH THIS BROCHURE.

If you do not have access to a computer or have additional questions, please call Berks DES at (610) 374-4800 ext. 8206.

Montgomery County

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50 Eagleville Road
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West Chester, PA 19380-0990
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Attention Chester & Montgomery County Residents

Residents of Chester and Montgomery Counties should sign up to receive official alerts and notifications at:

ReadyChesCo:

www.readychesco.org

ReadyMontCo:

www.readymontco.org

This system provides direct and immediate information during an emergency and allows you to provide detailed and confidential information useful to your local emergency management agency. If you do not have access to a computer, a friend or family member can complete the online registration for you.

An instructional video is available at:

www.readymontco.org

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