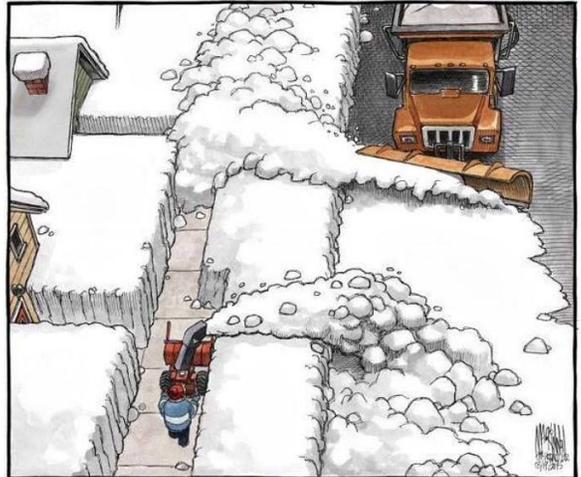




Safety Newsletter

Snow & Ice! Winter is in full force, and that's created some hazardous conditions around the complex. The constant freezing and thawing has created some very slippery areas. While the Buildings and Grounds staff makes every attempt to salt and sand walkways, some slippery spots are always present. Please do your part in using extra caution while navigating around the sidewalks and parking lots. The use of proper footwear with good tread should also be worn when snow and ice is present.



As you may know, email alerts through CodeRed are used as the primary form of electronic communication to all staff in an emergency. The overhead and phone PA system is also utilized to communicate emergencies within the government center and courthouse. These forms of communication, however, do not reach all of the individuals or work areas in the buildings.

Douglas County now has the ability to send text message alerts, via the county website, directly to your cell phone. If you would like to receive emergency alert notifications via text message, you may follow this secure link to sign up: <http://wi-douglascounty2.civicplus.com/forms.aspx?fid=84&admin=1> Participation is voluntary. Text messages will only be sent in the event of an emergency. Non-employees should not sign up for these alerts. This system is designed to be used only for staff members. If you opt in to the text messaging service, standard data and messaging rates may apply.



Keep in mind that it takes time to get a message out. If there is an emergency situation happening before you get a message or alert, act. Do not wait for confirmation of an emergency to take action to keep yourself safe.

Personal electric heaters are **not** permitted for use in the government center or courthouse. Only the low wattage heaters with occupancy sensors from the county can be used. If you are interested in a heater for your work area, the cost is \$75. To purchase one, contact Emergency Management at extension 1636.