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## **PRESS RELEASE**

**Jefferson County, WV, May 27, 2024** — Jefferson County, WV is transitioning to Everbridge, the global leader in critical event management and public warning, to keep communities safe and informed with quick and reliable emergency notifications and public service announcements. Jefferson County, WV will begin using Everbridge starting July 1, 2024 to communicate with residents and businesses during emergencies and other critical events. Residents are encouraged to register immediately to receive these alerts: [Sign Up Here](#)

Jefferson County, WV will use the Everbridge emergency notification system to alert residents about a variety of events, ranging from severe weather, fires, floods and other emergencies to more routine announcements, such as road closures and water utility maintenance. Messages will be sent to residents on their preferred devices — cell phone, SMS, home phone, email, and more—to ensure real-time access to potentially lifesaving information. Everbridge will allow citizens to self-register, provide additional contact information or opt out.

“We have a commitment to ensure public safety, community awareness and emergency response. To uphold this, when critical information and public service announcements are available, we need to reach our residents as quickly and reliably as possible,” said Stephen Allen, Director of the Jefferson County Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management. “The Everbridge emergency notification system allows the Jefferson County of Homeland Security and Emergency Management to disseminate this information across all types of devices, ensuring residents have access to real-time public information when they need it the most.”

If you currently use NIXLE, you will still be alerted in the event of emergencies with the exception of automatic weather alerts from the National Weather Service such as winter storm, flooding, wind, fog, advisories/warnings. Please visit and register with Everbridge to keep up to date on emergency alerts within Jefferson County, WV.

**Register for Everbridge now at:** [Sign Up Here](#)

<https://www.jeffersoncountywv.org/county-government/departments/homeland-security-and-emergency-management>.

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