

PRESS RELEASE – Woodbury Begins High Efficient Program to Notify Residents of Emergencies

The Town and Village of Woodbury has contracted with Emergency Communications Network to license its CodeRED high-speed notification solution. The CodeRED system provides Woodbury officials the ability to quickly deliver messages to targeted areas or the entire community.

This system can only be as good as the telephone number database supporting it. **If your phone number is not in the database, you will not be called.** One of the reasons the CodeRED system was selected is it gives individuals and businesses the ability to add their own phone numbers directly into the system's database; this is an extremely important feature.

No one should automatically assume his or her phone number is included. Both Supervisor John Burke and Mayor Michael Queenan are urging all individuals and businesses to log onto the Town's website www.townofwoodbury.com or Village's website www.villageofwoodbury.com and follow the link to the "CodeRED Community Notification Enrollment" page. Those without Internet access may call Desiree Potvin, Town Clerk, at 928-6829 x7, Monday through Friday, (8AM-4PM) to supply their information over the phone. Required information includes first and last name, street address (physical address, no P.O. boxes), city, state, zip code, and primary phone number, additional phone numbers can be entered as well.

All businesses should register, as well as all individuals who have unlisted phone numbers and/or those who have changed their phone number or address within the past year, and those who use a cellular phone or VoIP phone as their primary number.

This system allows geographically based delivery, which means street addresses are required to ensure emergency notification calls are received by the proper individuals in a given situation. The system works for cell phones too, but we need to have an associated street address to provide relevant messages.

Samples of some notifications that will be sent out using this system include water restrictions, states of emergencies, evacuations and locations of emergencies shelters

The system gives those who want to be included an easy and secure method for inputting information. The data collected will only be used for emergency notification purposes." Questions should be directed to Supervisor John Burke at 928-7578 x3 or Mayor Michael Queenan at 928-7558.