

Hales Corners Fire Department

Temporary KNOX-BOX Loan Program

The Hales Corners Fire Department is proud to introduce a new pilot program for the residents of Hales Corners. The Temporary Residential KNOX-BOX Loan Program provides a secured means of access in case of an emergency. KNOX-BOXES are safe, secure and UL tested.

What happens during an emergency when you can't come to the door due to a medical or physical ailment? Fire Chief Michael Jankowski has announced that the Hales Corners Fire Department has received a donation of a limited number of residential KNOX-BOXES to be loaned out to our residents in need. With a residential KNOX-BOX in place, the fire department will be able to let themselves in if you are having a medical emergency. The fire department gains entry into this KNOX-BOX with a master key retained in a high security vault.

The residential KNOX-BOXES are designed to be installed over the top of a resident's front entry door. When installed, an extra key for the front door (provided by the resident) is inserted into the KNOX-BOX. The Hales Corners Fire Department will then secure the KNOX-BOX with a unique key. Only the Hales Corners Fire Department has this key. If an emergency arises, the responding crews are able to access your key in the KNOX-BOX and enter the house without forcing entry or waiting for a key holder.

The Residential KNOX-BOX Loan Program is only open to residents of the Village of Hales Corners with existing medical or physical conditions which render them unable to open a locked door in an emergency. However, due to the limited quantities of KNOX-BOXES the department has for the program, priority will be given to the senior citizens of the community and those persons with special needs. All KNOX-BOXES purchased for the loan program are the property of the Hales Corners Fire Department and as residents participating in the program no longer need the KNOX-BOX; fire department personnel will retrieve them and place them back into inventory for future distribution.

If you are interested in applying for the Residential Knox-Box Loan Program or for information on purchasing your own Residential Knox-Box, please contact Lieutenant Nicholas Schreiber at 529-6168.