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RRECC Signs On with Code Red for Emergency and Community Notification Service **REGION-WIDE TEST CALL SCHEDULED FOR WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 12, 2015 AT 6PM**

Rutland, MA – Thursday, July 30, 2015 – Following an extensive and thorough evaluation and review of alerting systems, the Rutland Regional Emergency Communication Center, in partnership with its member communities, has implemented the CodeRED system, a high-speed emergency notification service.

The CodeRED system will serve as the backbone of the region's emergency planning and communications outreach to both citizens and government personnel by using the system capabilities to send telephone calls, text messages, emails and social media in an effort to effectively inform residents to protect life and property. [Learn how the CodeRED Emergency Notification system works.](#)

“CodeRED’s robust system will provide officials at the RRECC and in the Towns of Barre, Hubbardston, Oakham, and Rutland with a reliable, easy-to-use interface to quickly disseminate critical information to our citizens during emergencies. We are very eager to use this technology to enhance our emergency preparedness plans,” said Director of Communications Nick DaDalt.

Through **EMERGENCY NOTIFICATIONS**, the RRECC anticipates using the system to notify residents in specific geographic locations of fires, floods, drinking water emergencies and missing children notices

Through **GENERAL or COMMUNITY NOTIFICATIONS**, the RRECC’s member communities can notify residents of street closures, town service interruptions, election/town meeting announcements, and non-emergency law enforcement information such as scams. **Subscribers to the system have the choice to opt-in or opt-out of General (non-emergency) Notifications** at any time by visiting the [enrollment form](https://public.coderedweb.com/CNE/BFC99353ACF4) (https://public.coderedweb.com/CNE/BFC99353ACF4).

The RRECC has been provided an initial database of residential and business telephone numbers, however all residents living within the Towns of Barre, Hubbardston, Oakham, and Rutland are encouraged to visit the [RRECC CodeRED enrollment form](#) to add additional contact information including cell phone numbers, text and email addresses; OR to modify their information in the database. **No one should automatically assume they are in the emergency contact database.**

In order to test the system’s functionality, the RRECC will launch a scheduled test-call on Wednesday, August 12, 2015 at 6PM so that residents may experience the system in a non-critical setting.

The RRECC looks forward to continuing to provide quality services to our communities!

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