

## NEWSLETTER / NEWS RELEASE From the Office of the Mayor

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Storm Related Information

Our area was hit with severe weather on Friday, March 14<sup>th</sup>. The impact is extreme, and cleanup efforts have been tirelessly going on since the storm hit on Friday. The Florissant Police Department is actively patrolling neighborhoods and working alongside emergency responders, utility workers, and city crews to ensure public safety.

City staff has been working extremely hard and helping anyway they can.

**DIAL 211 TO REPORT** - We are asking that Florissant residents dial 211 to report stormrelated damage. As we navigate this challenging time, we urge everyone to remain cautious and please be aware of scams and fraudulent contractors.

**CALL PUBLIC WORKS** - City of Florissant is also working to provide dumpsters in the areas most affected by the storms. These dumpsters are intended for storm-related debris such as damaged property (e.g., shingles, furniture, and similar items). Please note that tree limbs and yard debris should not be placed in these dumpsters. Crews will patrol neighborhoods for limbs, but it would be helpful to call public works at 314-839-7652, or email <u>JTimme@florissantmo.com</u>.

Phone (314) 921-5700

Emergency 9-1-1

Fax (314) 921-7111

## **ELDERLY HELP**

If you are elderly or cannot get the tree limbs to your curb and need assistance, please email Community Development at comdev@florissantmo.comor by calling Community Development office at 314-839-7680.

**COMMUNITY CENTERS** - In response to the recent tornado and its impact on our community, both the James J. Eagan (JJE) and JFK Community Centers will be accepting donations to support affected individuals and families. We are collecting essential items, including: euriq

Non-perishable food Bottled water Toiletries Blankets Clothing

Additionally, the James J. Eagan Center will be open for anyone needing access to a shower. We are also providing a space in the lobby for people to charge their phones.

If you or anyone you know needs supplies, please encourage them to visit the community centers to get what they need.

## **REPORT YOUR DAMAGE TO US WITH YOUR ADDRESS -**

The Florissant Police Department, Public Works Department, and Media Department have all been working diligently to document the damage done to Florissant homes and businesses from the March 14th tornado that hit Florissant. The City of Florissant does this for important documentation purposes. With the large spread of this storm, there will be some houses or areas that were damaged that we missed, were unable to see from the street, or we just haven't been able to document as of yet.

If you had damage done to your house or property, please email some photos of the damage to the email address StormDamage@florissantmo.com with your address as the subject line. This documentation process is for the purpose of providing the State of Missouri, St. Louis County and other agencies the most accurate damage information and to make sure Florissant gets the support and assistance that we need.

## **EMERGENCY SHELTER -**

The American Red Cross has opened a shelter for those impacted by the severe storm.

Location: North County Recreation Complex

Address: 2577 Redman Ave, St. Louis, MO 63136

If you need a safe place to stay, the shelter is open and ready to assist.

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**CRISIS CLEANUP HOTLINE** – If you need assistance with tree removal, tarping, or debris cleanup, call the Crisis Cleanup Hotline at (844)965-1386.

Yesterday, Florissant Mayor Timothy Lowery, United States Congressman Wesley Bell, and Florissant Ward 4 Councilman Jeff Caputa were out assessing the damage in Ward 4. Mayor Lowery has personally visited every area affected by storm damage in Florissant and has been in communication with and received assistance from several leaders including: Governor Mike Kehoe, United States Senator Eric Schmitt, United States Representative Wesley Bell, Missouri State Senator Brian Williams, St. Louis County Executive Sam Page, St. Louis County Councilwoman Shalonda Webb, and the entire Florissant City Council.

We appreciate your patience, resilience, and community spirit. Remember to please be a good neighbor and have patience with everything right now as we all work to rebuild together. We are Florissant Strong!

**PHONE NUMBERS** 

Florissant Public Works – 314-839-7652 Florissant Police Department – 314-831-7000 (for non-emergencies) Florissant City Hall – 314-921-5700 Crisis Cleanup Hotline – 844-965-1386 Report Damage – 211 Emergency - 911

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