

## Are You Prepared?

It is important to be prepared for local weather emergencies. In order to assist residents in their preparedness, the Village in partnership with the Montgomery County Office of Emergency Management and Homeland Security (OEMHS) offer a number of helpful tools, plans and free alerts to assist and keep you informed.

**Village Website and Blast Email System** – Have you signed up for the Village’s blast email system? This is the Village's primary method of communication with residents. The Village has 2 email lists you can sign-up for:

*Urgent News Alert* – include messages such as criminal activity, neighborhood disruptions such as water main breaks, power outages and road closures and major weather events.

*General News Alerts* – include messages about Board and committee meetings, community events, changes in public services such as refuse/recycling collection schedules and upcoming road closures.

To sign-up for the blast email system visit the Village website at [www.chevychasevillagemd.gov](http://www.chevychasevillagemd.gov) and click on the tablet icon at the top of the Village’s homepage.

**Alert Montgomery** – Alert Montgomery is the official emergency communications service for Montgomery County, MD. During major crisis, emergency or severe weather events, Montgomery County will send event updates, warnings and instructions directly to you on any of your devices. To sign-up for Alert Montgomery please visit the OEMHS website [www.montgomerycountymd.gov/oemhs](http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/oemhs) and click on the “Alert Montgomery” link at the top of the page.

**Family and Community Preparedness Information** – Emergencies can take many forms and occur with or without warning. By taking a few simple steps now, you can ensure that you, your family and your community are better prepared to handle emergencies. To assist in your family planning, please visit the Village’s emergency preparedness page, [www.chevychasevillagemd.gov/emergencyprep](http://www.chevychasevillagemd.gov/emergencyprep) for helpful tools and links. Another important tool the Village has created to assist you in your preparedness efforts is our House Check Program. Always request a House Check when you are leaving town and ensure that your emergency contacts are up to date with the Village office.

For additional information please visit the Village’s website at [www.chevychasevillagemd.gov](http://www.chevychasevillagemd.gov) and click on the “Are you prepared? – Emergency Preparedness Tips” link listed in the *Quick Links* on the homepage.