

Saint Louis County

Emergency Response Procedures Plan for Saint Louis County, Minnesota

This plan provides a framework for responding to emergencies within Saint Louis County, Minnesota, including key contacts, local authorities, evacuation procedures, first aid and medical assistance, and how to report an incident.

1. Emergency Contacts

Key Emergency Numbers:

- Emergency Services (Fire, Medical, Police): 911
 - Highmark Companies:
 - HR Manager: (763) 270-7623
 - Risk & Compliance Manager: (763) 270-7619
 - Nurse Hotline: (844) 412-7951
 - Non-Emergency Law Enforcement: Saint Louis County Sheriff's Office: (218) 726-2340
 - Poison Control: 1-800-222-1222
 - Saint Louis County Health Department: (218) 725-5210
 - Red Cross (Local Chapter): (218) 722-0071
 - National Weather Service (Weather Alerts): 1-800-664-2261
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2. Local Authorities

- Saint Louis County Sheriff's Office
 - Phone: (218) 726-2340
 - Address: 100 N 5th Ave W, Duluth, MN 55802
 - Services: Law enforcement, search and rescue, emergency coordination.
 - Duluth Fire Department
 - Phone: (218) 730-4394 (Non-emergency)
 - Address: 602 W 2nd St, Duluth, MN 55802
 - Services: Fire suppression, rescue operations, hazardous material incidents.
 - Virginia Police Department
 - Phone: (218) 748-7510 (Non-emergency)
 - Address: 327 1st St S, Virginia, MN 55792
 - Services: General law enforcement, criminal investigations, and public safety services.
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3. Evacuation Procedures

Evacuation Routes and Shelters:

- Designated Evacuation Routes: Primary roads include Interstate 35, U.S. Highway 53, and State Highway 61. Local adjustments will be made as necessary.

- Evacuation Shelters:
 - Duluth East High School - 301 N 40th Ave E, Duluth, MN 55804
 - Virginia High School - 411 S 5th Ave, Virginia, MN 55792
 - Hermantown High School - 4335 Hawk Cir Dr, Hermantown, MN 55811

Evacuation Procedure:

1. Stay Informed: Follow local news, weather reports, and official social media accounts from authorities (Saint Louis County Emergency Management, local police/fire).
2. Follow Authorities' Instructions: Evacuations will be directed by local law enforcement or emergency management personnel.
3. Secure Your Site: Secure windows and doors, unplug appliances.
4. Leave Early: Leave promptly if an evacuation order is given.
5. Special Needs Assistance: Contact Saint Louis County Emergency Management at (218) 726-2340 for assistance.
6. Stay Together: Evacuate with the team when possible.

4. First Aid and Medical Assistance and Mental Health Crisis Support

First Aid Procedures:

- Basic First Aid Kit: Keep a well-stocked first aid kit at home, work, and in your vehicle. Include supplies like bandages, antiseptics, gloves, scissors, burn cream, pain relievers, etc.

Local Medical Assistance:

- Essentia Health St. Mary's Medical Center
 - Phone: (218) 786-4000
 - Address: 407 E 3rd St, Duluth, MN 55805
 - Services: Emergency care, trauma center, inpatient and outpatient services.
- Fairview Range Medical Center
 - Phone: (218) 262-4881
 - Address: 750 E 34th St, Hibbing, MN 55746
 - Services: Urgent care, primary care, outpatient services.

In Case of Injury or Medical Emergency:

1. Call 911 for immediate medical emergencies.
2. Provide First Aid if you are trained, including CPR, wound care, or stabilizing injuries until medical help arrives.
3. Transport to Hospital: If safe to do so, transport injured individuals to the nearest medical facility. Otherwise, wait for emergency responders.

Mental Health Crisis Services:

- Saint Louis County Mental Health Crisis Line: (844) 772-4724 (Available 24/7)
- National Suicide Prevention Lifeline: 988 (Available 24/7)
- Crisis Text Line: Text HOME to 741741 (Available 24/7)

5. How to Report an Incident

General Reporting Procedures:

1. Immediate Emergency Situations: Dial 911 for life-threatening emergencies, such as fire, medical emergencies, criminal activity, or accidents.
 - Provide clear details including your location, nature of the emergency, and any potential hazards.
2. Report Non-Emergency Incidents:
 - Notify your Project Manager or Supervisor at the office first. They will provide directions on any further reporting measures. As best as you are able stick to the facts with what you relay to them.
 - If Health or Safety related Notify Amy Robertson (HR) or if you are unable to reach them your Compliance Coordinator.
3. Non-Emergency Reporting:
 - Saint Louis County Sheriff's Office: (218) 726-2340
 - Duluth Police Department: (218) 730-5400
 - Virginia Police Department: (218) 748-7510
4. Public Health and Environmental Hazards:
 - Saint Louis County Health Department: (218) 725-5210
 - Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR): (651) 296-6157
5. Utility Emergencies:
 - Minnesota Power (Power Outages): 1-800-228-4966
 - CenterPoint Energy (Gas Leaks or Emergencies): 1-800-296-9815
 - Duluth Public Works (Water and Sewer): (218) 730-4130