



A MESSAGE FROM WHEELING PUBLIC SAFETY:

The City of Wheeling's emergency services – police, fire and EMS will operate as NORMAL during the COVID-19 (Coronavirus) National Emergency. Both Police Chief Shawn Schwertfeger and Fire Chief Larry Helms want the public to know their departments will be fully staffed 24-hours a day. All calls will be answered as normal. However, a few minor changes have been issued in order to help our public health partners:

POLICE:

- All Crime Watch meetings are canceled for the month of March and April. (Crime tips can be called in at 304-234-3664 or online at wheelingwv.gov/crimetip)
- In-person fingerprinting services are suspended
- Police will not be accepting invitations to participate in public or special events

Police Non-Emergency situations:

- If you have a misdemeanor offense, a property crime traffic concern or want to report suspicious activity, please call the non-emergency line at 304-234-3664 and talk to an officer via telephone.

FIRE:

- CPR classes are canceled through the end of April.
- The Bureau of Fire Prevention is suspending all fire education talks.
- Fire and EMS will not be accepting invitations to participate in public or special events
- Non-essential family members will not be transported with any patient inside at Wheeling Fire Department ambulance.
- If experiencing severe flu-like symptoms, call your primary care physician first before dialing 911.

Extra precautions are being taken internally to keep first responders safe and healthy in order to provide quality emergency services to the City of Wheeling and its residents. More information on the city's response efforts can be found online at wheelingwv.gov.