

# Emergency Notifications

Deer Park Community Advisory Council members and all local residents have been encouraged to register to receive emergency notifications from the city and county in which they live, work, have aging family members, etc. – any city or county for which they would find it helpful to receive emergency notifications relating to sheltering in place from a chemical release, evacuation due to hurricanes, and other emergencies.

How to register for Deer Park and Harris County emergency notifications is listed below, as well as changes to the Greater Harris County 9-1-1 system.

**Deer Park:** To receive notifications from Deer Park, go to “Notify Me” on <http://www.deerparktx.gov/List.aspx> and select which notifications you would like to receive.

**Greater Harris County 9-1-1:** Greater Harris County 9-1-1 has published new materials about its emergency notification system and announced two new services. The information below was taken from a new 9-1-1- brochure and may also be found at [www.911.org](http://www.911.org).

- Jurisdictions (such as counties and cities) in the Greater Harris County 9-1-1 area may use the 9-1-1 system to communicate emergencies to the public. (Pasadena uses this system.) 9-1-1 has a database of landlines BUT to receive free emergency alerts to your cell phone or Internet Voice over Internet Protocol (VOIP) phone, you must register. You may register up to four numbers at [www.911.org](http://www.911.org).
- A new free Emergency Profile service allows residents of its coverage area to register information about their family members or their home that may be helpful to 9-1-1 and responders in the event of an emergency. Examples include specific medical concerns, special needs, info on pets, or vital details about home or business.
- Customers of AT&T, Sprint, T-Mobile, and Verizon Wireless can now send a text to 9-1-1 if they are in an emergency and cannot make a voice call – “Call if you can, text if you can’t.”