

# WHAT EVERY RESIDENT NEEDS TO KNOW:

### WHAT IS ALERTCentre?

**ALERTCentre** is Centre County's new emergency mass notification system. This system allows us to send emergency messages quickly to reach a large number of people (*target audience*) during a widespread emergency. Thousands of messages are sent to members simultaneously!

### WHAT IS IT USED FOR?

Wide spread emergencies only. Examples of emergencies: active shooter, flood evacuations, shelter in place, missing persons, wanted fugitives, emergency shelters, bank robbery, criminal activity, road closures and severe weather events.

# HOW DOES IT WORK?

You have to enroll to receive emergency notifications.

Once enrolled, notifications are issued based on the location of the incident (*where the incident is taking place*). Those who live within the pointed area of the incident (*radius chosen by the activating authority*) will receive the emergency message. If you live outside the radius, you will NOT receive the message.

# HOW DO I ENROLL IN ALERTCentre?

You can register by clicking on the link below or scan the QR code to access our enrollment page. Enrollment is free and totally voluntary. <u>https://www.smart911.com/smart911/ref/reg.action?pa=centrecountypa</u>

Create a profile and choose the method to receive the alert (*call, text, email or all 3*). During enrollment, to take things a step further, you have the option to list other important details that will enable the dispatchers or issuing authority to query specific audiences who may have special circumstances during an emergency, such as bariatric patients, hearing/sight impaired individuals, physically challenged, non-verbal, autism and more!

You can add multiple address locations to your profile as well. List any location that is important to you and your safety. Example, your home address, work address, your child's school address, church address, parents home, etc. If an alert is issued for that specific location —you will receive an emergency message. After you enroll, download the app so you can receive alerts while traveling, whether you are on your way to work, through another state or across the country.

