

Reminder from the Fire Department: Help Us Help You Faster

During the winter months, snow can quickly bury yards, driveways and fire hydrants. Emergencies happen unexpectedly, so please keep the following tips in mind when clearing the snow from your property and help firefighters and other first responders to help you faster.

- If you have a fire hydrant in your yard, please take a few minutes to clear it so it can be easily accessed by firefighters. Shovel a path at least 3 feet in width from the street to the hydrant. Also, please shovel at least 3 feet on all sides of the hydrant. A minimum 3-foot clear circumference around the hydrant is required by the Minnesota State Fire Code.
- Make sure your house number isn't covered by snow and can easily be seen from the street.
- Clear any walkways needed to access the home/building.



These simple steps can save precious minutes during an emergency.