

### Bainbridge Township Police Dept.

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### **BAINBRIDGE TOWNSHIP RESIDENTIAL LOCK BOX PROGRAM**

The lock box program helps the fire/police departments gain access to a residence without doing damage to the property. It is designed for the person who lives alone and would be unable to get to the door if there was an emergency. It can also be installed in other situations deemed necessary to the elderly.

Bainbridge Township would like you to have the opportunity to purchase your own coded lock box (from retailers such as Home Depot or Lowe's or another store of your choice) which would allow Bainbridge Safety Forces (Police or Fire) to enter your residence to assist you in the event you cannot open the door. The lock box is a tool by which Township Safety Forces may enter your residence as quickly as possible without having to damage any doors or windows if the doors to your residence are locked. The program is entirely voluntary as a service to the residents of our community.

If you would like to participate in the program, please fill out and sign the form letting the Safety Forces know that you have purchased a coded lock box. You are responsible for having the lock box installed in a place that is mutually convenient for both you and the Safety Forces. The one condition of this program is that you must understand and agree that the use of a lock box is not a promise of any greater care than is provided to all residents of the community, and the Safety Forces have your permission to enter your residence if they believe you are in need of assistance.

A Medical Alert Form is also available to inform EMS about health conditions, medications, physicians and contacts which will be kept on file with the Safety Forces to help them give you the best possible emergency care. The forms can be printed out and either mailed or taken to the Police Department.

We hope this program provides peace of mind to our residents, realizing that if our First Responders need access to their home, it can be done safely and efficiently.

Chief Jon Bokovitz and the Bainbridge Township Board of Trustees

#### RESIDENTIAL LOCK BOX PROGRAM REGISTRATION

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\*\*NOTE\*\* If a resident changes a door lock or changes the code to the lock box, it is the resident's obligation to notify the Safety Forces of the change.

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Complete and sign the form below and the Safety Forces will confidentially maintain your information that allows access to your home in the event it is determined reasonably necessary. Use of a lock box system is not a promise of any greater care then what is ordinarily provided to anyone else in the community, and the Safety Forces have your permission to enter residence at any time they reasonably believe you are in need of assistance.

## RESIDENTIAL LOCK BOX RELEASE (NOT A PUBLIC RECORD)

I have a coded lock box, and I hereby grant the Bainbridge Township Police Department and/or Bainbridge Township Fire Department the right to enter my residence at any time they reasonably believe I am in need of assistance. In consideration of this service by the Township, I hereby release and hold harmless Bainbridge Township, its employees and agents from any claim I might otherwise have against its agents or employees for the use or nonuse of the coded lock box, and I acknowledge that the Township has not created a "special relationship" with me which raises the standard of care which is ordinarily required of Township Safety Forces. If I change the code to the lock box, it is my obligation to notify the Safety Forces so that the new code can be placed in Township Files.

Name of Resident	Signature of Resident
Address	Date of Signature
Location of Lock Box	Code
Security System	Animals at residence
Emerger	ncy Contact Person:
Name:	
Relationship to Resident:	
Address:	
Home Phone:	
Cell Phone:	

# RESIDENTIAL LOCK BOX (NOT A PUBLIC RECORD)

### **Bainbridge Township Dispatch File Information**

Name:
Address:
Preferred Phone:
How can the Fire/Police Departments gain access to your house if you are unable to open the door? (Hidden keys, neighbor with keys, registered lock box, garage door key pad, etc.):
Lock Box Location:
Lock Box Location.
Lock Box Code:
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Return Completed forms to: Bainbridge Township Police Department 8553 Bainbridge Rd. Chagrin Falls, OH 44023