

## AWARENESS BULLETIN:

### ENSURE BUSINESSES ARE PREPARED FOR DECLARED EMERGENCIES

During the COVID-19 pandemic, first responders must have rapid access into structures in a lockdown, closure or reduced business operations status. Residential/commercial buildings, warehouses, medical facilities, gated communities and other vital assets must ensure they've installed Rapid Access products with that important capability.

Businesses must also proactively protect fire sprinkler systems to reduce property damage, prevent theft and ensure firefighters have dependable access to water. Standpipe and FDC connections must be protected with Locking FDC Caps to prevent vandalism and costly repairs.



### DEFINING RAPID ACCESS

Quick, safe and secure entry into buildings, secured perimeter areas and communities by first responders, without the use of forced entry, is referred to as rapid access.



### INCREASE ACCESSIBILITY AND AVOID COSTLY REPAIRS

When firefighters are able to utilize rapid access products, ingress times are improved and replacement and repair costs are significantly reduced. When forced entry is used, costs to repair or replace damaged doors and windows can be extensive. Those expenses add up quickly, but can be eliminated when buildings have a surface or recess mount KnoxBox.

### INSTALLING RAPID ACCESS CAPABILITIES

The Knox Company manufactures a full line of reliable rapid access products for buildings, interior and perimeter access, power control and FDC protection. Installed throughout more than 14,000 fire jurisdictions, multiple products provide tools and resources used and valued by first responders. The KnoxBox is a UL listed high-security key vault that accommodates keys and access cards that minimizes critical delays and property damages.







## BIG RETURNS FOR A ONE-TIME INVESTMENT

When firefighters utilize forced entry, the building is often left vulnerable and in need of immediate attention to secure the premises. Once the fire department leaves, facility or security personnel must provide coverage and make arrangements to have the building secured, prior to repairs being made. Such costs and inconvenience can add thousands of dollars, far less than the cost of a KnoxBox.

## PREPAREDNESS DURING TIMES OF DISASTERS

The COVID-19 pandemic is an example of the need for rapid access products. As buildings are vacated for extended periods of time, the potential for damage, theft and vandalism often increases.

Both actual and nuisance alarms requiring firefighter intervention occur during emergency events and time is of the essence to prevent smoke, fire and water damages.



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## PROACTIVELY PROTECT INVESTMENTS

Concerns about repair and replacement costs are reduced when rapid access products are installed and ready for use by first responders. Protect your vital assets today!



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