

# Chikaming Township Fire Department

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## Knox Box Home Security System

### **Why is the Knox Box so important to the residents of Chikaming Township? How can the Fire Department help?**

The Chikaming Township Fire Department is registered with the Knox company and has sole responsibility for the security afforded by the Knox Box.

#### The uses of the Knox Box

**Fire Alarms:** Whenever the fire department is dispatched to a fire or smoke alarm, they have the authority to make entry in any way possible, (break in the door, a window etc.) to investigate the emergency, at the homeowners expense.

**Medical emergencies:** If the occupant of the residence has a medical emergency and for any reason cannot unlock the door for responders. The door will be broke in to gain entry, at the homeowner's expense.

**Police emergencies:** If there is an alarm or suspicious situation, the door may be broke in to gain entry, at the homeowner's expense.

The most recent was, a gas emergency, requiring shut off of the gas to 680 residents of Chikaming Township. Then having to turn back on and restart furnaces and hot water heaters.

Because of delays in response of homeowners and key holders, there were some locations that experienced frozen water pipes.

In all the situations listed above, if a Knox Box is on the property, these emergencies could be handled quickly and with no expense to the homeowners.

To learn more about the Knox Box please go to [www.knoxbox.com](http://www.knoxbox.com), or stop by the Fire department and talk to Chief Davidson, or Asst. Chief Oldenburg.

**Note:** The green/with reflective address number sign, installed in front by the driveways, is also a great help in locating a address in the event of an emergency.

Chief: Mike Davidson  
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