



# Storm and Cold Weather Reminders

## Reminder to all owners & tenants as inclement weather approaches and temperatures drop.

- Using a stove for heat can result in carbon monoxide poisoning and death. Kitchen ovens were **NEVER** designed for heating homes, **ONLY** for cooking food.
- **NEVER** leave a stove unattended.
- NEVER leave a space heater unattended and leave a MINIMUM of three (3) feet clear around the entire device.
- Stay warm, but be safe. If your furnace is not up to the task, call for service. Due to the extreme temperature expected, your thermostats should be set no less than 65 degrees.
- During a heavy snow, clear your deck often to prevent a possible collapse.
- Drafty windows? Shrinkwrap window kits can be purchased from Home Depot, Kmart, Target, etc. for a nominal price.
- If you know a home should be empty, and you see someone entering it, **call 911**. Squatters have been known to start fires to keep warm in empty properties.
- During severe weather conditions, snow clearing operations can take an extended amount of time. Please use caution when walking between cars and on sidewalks
- Please remember that for safety reasons when temperatures rise during the day and fall at night, clear ice or black ice can form on sidewalks and other surfaces and create extremely slippery conditions.
- Is your exterior water hose bib turned off? If not, do it NOW! Turn off the water from the inside, then open the hose bib to drain the line.
- When you shovel snow, make sure that you bundle up, stretch, and don't overdo it. It is best to shovel every few inches so you are not moving 2 feet of snow at a time.
- Please remember that the County requires snow to be removed by the Homeowner. Please check with your local officials for details.

**BE SAFE AND STAY WARM. Should you need us, please call us at 301.459.9350.**