



## **Inclement Weather or Disaster**

In the event of an extreme emergency, Catholic Charities may be closed for business. Examples of emergencies include, but are not limited to severe weather, natural disaster, power failure and fire.

If Catholic Charities officially closes for business due to an emergency, volunteers are not expected to come in for his/her scheduled shift. Weather and road conditions will also be monitored via local news reports and state department of transportation reports, as appropriate. The Vice President of Human Resources will monitor the Greater Kansas City (Johnson and Wyandotte counties) and will work with the President/CEO to determine a final resolution. The decision to observe a late start or officially close will be made by 7:30am and communicated via the Weather Hotline 913-621-5255 x 1241. If Catholic Charities decides to close for the day, the weather hotline will be updated and the Volunteer Engagement Team will communicate these closures to via email.

In the event of a disaster or prolonged emergency that may prohibit access to and the use of any Catholic Charities location, an alternate or temporary location will be identified where volunteers can report and receive further instruction. This information will be made available on the Catholic Charities Weather Line for each of our locations as soon as the information is available: Weather Line: 913-621-5255 x 1241

In the event both Catholic Charities telephone and computer systems are simultaneously jeopardized and no longer available for use, the organization's role and command structure will be identified in relation to those of regional or county emergency response agencies. Volunteers should refer to local resources for civil preparedness and emergency response.

- Regional: FEMA Region VII (Iowa, Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska) at [www.fema.gov](http://www.fema.gov)
- Kansas: KDHE Disaster Recovery Information at [www.kdheks.gov](http://www.kdheks.gov)
- Missouri: Missouri Department of Public Safety State Emergency Management Agency (SEMA) at [www.sema.dps.mo.gov](http://www.sema.dps.mo.gov)
- Local: Prepare Metro KC at [www.preparemetrokc.org](http://www.preparemetrokc.org)