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Dear Business/Property Owner:

The goal of the Janesville Fire Department is to provide the best and most up-to-date service to the people of our community. In contrast, maintaining keys to locked or alarmed buildings has become unmanageable and is causing delays when responding to emergencies.

In order to access buildings quickly, minimize forced entry damage, and protect firefighters from injury, the Janesville Fire Department utilizes the Supra Safe Lock Box System. Currently, 1000's of fire departments and the communities they protect enjoy the benefits of this proven system. Supra Safe boxes are fitted with a spring-loaded dry lock lid to protect the locking mechanism from weather and dust, and the box is comprised of heavy duty - 1/4" steel walls & door that can fit up to 13 keys.

The master key to open the Supra Safe Box is held only by the Janesville Fire Department. This high security key is strictly controlled and is produced only under direction from an authorized fire official's signature. Supra Safe Boxes are specified by the Janesville Fire Department but purchased directly from the Kidde Company. Once installed near the entrance to your property, the department locks your building entrance key or key card inside the box so that it is available onsite for future emergencies. Please feel free to call the Kidde Company at 1-800-880-6788 if you have any questions.

You can also visit the website at <https://lockbox.shopkidde.com/rapid-entry-key-lock-boxes>. Otherwise, please call the fire department prevention office at (608)755-3050 to obtain more information.

Sincerely,

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GUIDELINES FOR BUSINESS OWNERS WITH LOCK BOXES

- Place all “Lock Boxes” in a visible, accessible location. This information should be given to all fire crews that inspect your building.
- On larger complexes, you may want to consider using multiple “Lock Boxes”. Running a half-block to get a key only slows down our response.
- Consider leaving more than one key in the box. Having several keys available allows us to work in teams to assess the situation much more quickly.
- If you change any locks, call the Janesville Fire Department to exchange the keys. The non-emergency phone number is (608)755-3050.
- Please call the Fire Marshal at (608)373-3431 with any questions or concerns