



# MUTUAL AID BOX ALARM FOUNDATION

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Dear Community Member,

The day is like any other, then the unthinkable happens: You're at work, your family is at home, the children are in school. News reports state that lives are threatened, property is damaged, and first responders are overwhelmed. Tornadoes, floods, fires, hazardous materials, buildings collapsed, a lone gunman, or a viral outbreak strikes the local community! Local fire and EMS resources are exceeded, and more help is needed for your business, neighborhood, and the local school.

Your local fire department is a member of MABAS-Illinois, a network of nearly 1,200 fire departments that provides aid when local response agencies are overwhelmed by a disaster. MABAS helps your community by providing immediate and long-term emergency response resources to prevent loss of life, human suffering, and further damage to public, private, and commercial infrastructure.

“Without MABAS, no department would be able to handle the extraordinary events it faces such as our apartment complex fire that destroyed nearly 100 homes.”  
“Fire Chief Drew Smith – Prospect Heights Fire and Rescue District”

The MABAS Foundation is not a government agency and all donations directly benefit local first response agencies, ensuring your community has resilience through even the worst of disasters.

Please review the materials included with this letter and our website at [www.mabasfoundation-il.org](http://www.mabasfoundation-il.org)



Your donation is appreciated by The MABAS Foundation and your local fire departments.

Respectfully,

MABAS FOUNDATION Board Members