



## **Help the Bismarck Fire Department with the Adopt-a-Hydrant Program**

The Bismarck Fire Department is asking for help from the citizens of Bismarck. There are over 4000 hydrants in the city of Bismarck and many of them can become inaccessible due to snow. We are asking everyone's help to clear snow from around the hydrants by "adopting" a hydrant this winter. This helps to reduce the time it takes for the fire department to get water on a fire by ensuring that we can find and access the fire hydrant when it is most needed. By helping us, you could save your neighbor's house or your own in an emergency.

When "Adopting a Hydrant", you are committing to taking a little extra time to clear some space around the hydrant after it snows and the streets have been cleared. The snow should be cleared to ground level, below all the caps, and 3 to 4 feet around the hydrant with a clear path to the street. This gives firefighters the space they need to attach hoses and turn on water in case of a fire in your neighborhood. If you are a business owner, please take time to ensure the hydrants in your area are kept clear also.

The Bismarck Fire Department wishes to thank everyone in helping keep the community safe.

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