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Jason Sims, Chief of Police

Culver City Launches Hi-Lo Audible Warning System to Enhance Community Safety

Today marks a significant milestone for emergency preparedness in Culver City. Public safety leaders proudly announce the implementation of the Hi-Lo Audible Warning System (Hi-Lo). This effort emphasizes the importance of a unified approach to emergency evacuations, ensuring our communities receive timely notifications when they need them most.

The Hi-Lo is designed to cut through the noise of daily life, grabbing the attention of residents with its distinct and easily recognizable audible warning. The sound consists of a high-pitched tone followed by a low-pitched tone, which will be activated by patrol vehicles when navigating impacted evacuation areas. When you hear Hi-Lo, it signifies immediate action is required — it is time to go. This system will be exclusively employed for evacuation purposes during critical emergencies, such as wildfires, earthquakes, floods, and other urgent situations.

Culver City's Mayor Dan O'Brien shared, "The Hi-Lo Audible Warning System is a valuable addition to the tools available to our first responders to enhance safety in emergencies. By implementing this system, we reinforce our commitment to a proactive approach to protecting our community."

This initiative is made possible through the dedicated efforts of the Culver City Police Department, the Culver City Fire Department, and Emergency Preparedness Coordinator Christine Parra. Working collaboratively, all have worked diligently to integrate this system seamlessly into our emergency response protocols. Our commitment is to protect residents and provide educational resources on how to respond when the Hi-Lo Warning System is activated.

"As your Police Chief, my foremost priority is the safety of our community," said Chief Jason Sims. "Implementing the Hi-Lo Audible Warning System is just one of many steps we are taking to enhance our emergency preparedness. We will continue to assess and innovate our methods to keep Culver City safe and ready for any emergencies we may face together."



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Culver City Fire Chief Ken Powell shared, "This system enhances the ability to communicate critical information quickly and effectively. The Hi-Lo Audible Warning System will serve as a crucial resource during evacuations, helping to ensure that our residents take the necessary actions to protect themselves and their families."

Residents are encouraged to familiarize themselves with the Hi-Lo Audible Warning System by visiting culvercitypd.org and to create and continually update their household and workplace emergency plans. It is especially important to ensure that loved ones with disabilities or mobility challenges are enrolled in [Culver City Community Connect](#). To stay informed, you can also sign up for emergency alerts by texting "CCPD" to 888-777.

Remember, when you hear the Hi-Lo, it is time to go. Together, let's ensure that Culver City remains a safe and resilient community for everyone.

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