## The Knox® Rapid Access System is a secure emergency access program developed for property owners and first responders. First Responders in Logan Township use the Knox-Box Rapid Entry System to prevent costly entry damage while protecting property and lives.

When a fire breaks out or there is a medical emergency, Knox® products allow immediate entry into buildings and property without forced entry damage or delay. Property owners store entrance keys, access cards and floor plans in high-security Knox-Box key boxes mounted near building entrances. Each Knox-Box purchased by a property owner is keyed to a single master key controlled by the local responding department.

In addition to key boxes and vaults, Knox padlocks and key switches operate with the same master key. There are so many gated communities today that fire and police departments are delayed when responding to emergency calls. Increased property damage and even total loss is a threat when property is not accessible.

The Knox Rapid Access System was developed to save property and lives.

Logan Township Ordinance states:

When a structure of any type within the Township is protected by an automatic burglar and/or fire alarm system and/or a fire sprinkler system, a Key Box of a UL type approved by the Township Fire Chief shall be installed on the property in a location approved by the Township Fire Chief. Residential structures shall be exempt from this requirement. Such Key Boxes shall contain the following:

1. Keys to locked points of egress whether on the interior or exterior of such structures.

<u>2.</u> *The keys to locked mechanical equipment rooms.* 

<u>3.</u> *The keys to locked electrical rooms.* 

<u>*4. Keys to elevator controls.*</u>

5. Keys to other areas as directed by the Township's Fire Chief.

6. A tamper alarm which shall be connected to a Township approved monitoring system.

## Steps for getting a Knox-Box for my building or residence:

If you have any questions, please contact the Logan Township United Fire Department before ordering.

- 1. Make sure your building is located in Logan Township, Blair County, Pennsylvania.
- 2. Determine the number of items needed stored in the key box for the building.
- Visit www.knoxbox.com or call 1-800-552-5669
   In order to place an order for the correct product and accessories, go to the buy screen and enter Logan Twp Fire Dept. No signature from the FD is needed to order products.
- 4. Determine the product that best suites your individual needs.
- 5. Place order with the Knox Company with shipping to your location.
- 6. **Mount box according to the instructions from the Knox Company.** The finished box will remain open after installation. Use of a professional installer is highly recommended.
- 7. Gather all items for the box (see #2 above). Determine the primary emergency point of contact (ie who gets a phone call in the middle of the night during a holiday). Keys should be clearly marked by use. Key rings and tags may be needed to sort keys by function.

## 8. Contact the Logan Township United Fire Department to secure the box (see below)

• If your keys or emergency contact person is changed for any reason, contact the Logan Township United FD as soon as possible.

## **Contact Information:**

• <u>United@ltfire.com</u> or (814) 943-2668

Code related questions can be found on the Logan Township webpage at <u>https://www.logantownship-pa.gov/</u> or by calling the Logan Township Municipal Office at 814-944-5349