



**CITY OF BURNSVILLE, MINNESOTA  
FIRE DEPARTMENT**

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**FIREFIIGHTERS NEED HELP KEEPING HYDRANTS CLEAR OF SNOW**  
*Residents Asked to 'Adopt-A-Hydrant' or Two in Neighborhoods This Winter*

It only takes a minute for firefighters to attach a hose to a fire hydrant, but after a snowfall some hydrants can become a little hard to find.

In an emergency, firefighters must locate hidden hydrants and shovel them out. When firefighters are digging – time keeps ticking, and even a few minutes can make a big difference during.

Burnsville’s firefighters need help from residents to ensure they can do their job as quickly and effectively as possible. Residents are encouraged to “Adopt-A-Hydrant” or two in their neighborhoods this winter, and make sure they are accessible after each snowfall. **Firefighters need a three-foot area around each hydrant, and a three-foot wide path leading from the street.**

Residents who are physically unable to shovel a hydrant on their property are encouraged to ask a neighbor for help.

**Hydrant Markers**

All public fire hydrants (those located on easements, City property and streets) should have a marker that allows the hydrant to be seen in deep snow. Residents who notice a public hydrant that isn’t marked are encouraged to notify the Burnsville Maintenance Facility at 952-895-4550.

Private hydrant owners (business or multi-unit housing properties) can purchase a hydrant marker from the following City-approved vendors:

USABlueBook 1-800-548-1234 <a href="http://www.usabluebook.com">www.usabluebook.com</a>	Minnesota Pipe & Equipment 651-463-6090 <a href="http://www.minnesotapipe.com">www.minnesotapipe.com</a>
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For more information visit [www.burnsville.org/adoptahydrant](http://www.burnsville.org/adoptahydrant).

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