

## **Senior Check-In Program**

The Senior Check-In Program allows you to check on the well-being of seniors in LaSalle County. A LaSalle County Sheriff's Office employee will call the senior once a week on a scheduled day and time, and make sure they are doing okay. The Senior Check-In Program offers you some peace of mind and lets the senior know someone cares.

To qualify for the program, the senior must *live alone* AND *not* have family members nearby to check on them.

To join the program yourself or to enter a senior in the program, please fill out the application, save it to your desktop, and then email the document to [seniorcheckin@lasallemountyil.gov](mailto:seniorcheckin@lasallemountyil.gov). You can also print the application and mail it to: *Senior Check-In Program, LaSalle County Sheriff's Office, 707 E. Etna Rd, Ottawa IL 61350*. If you don't have access to a computer, call us at 815-433-2161 Ext 8.

On the application, you'll be required to provide emergency contacts. These contacts will only be known by those in the dispatch center. The dispatch center will call those emergency contacts if the senior does not answer the phone during their scheduled appointment.

[Senior Check-In Fillable Application and Waiver Form](#) - Download/Print/Email Form

[Senior Check-In Fillable Application and Waiver Form](#) – Online Form

### **Frequently Asked Questions**

**Q: What if I want someone to check in on my elderly mom and I live another county or state. Can I still enter her in the program?**

A: Yes, as long as your mom lives in LaSalle County.

**Q: I'm worried about my neighbor who is getting up there in age. She doesn't seem to have any family around to help her. Can I sign her up?**

A: The senior needs to be aware of and agree to be in the program. Once we have a completed application from the senior they will be in the program.

**Q: What if the senior simply forgets they have an appointment for the check-in? Do alarm bells go off? Does that prompt a police response? What if they are actually hurt or in need?**

A: We will make three attempts to contact the senior. If there's no answer, the LaSalle County Sheriff's Office 911 Communications Center will try to contact the emergency contacts listed on the application. If an emergency contact is reached, they will be asked to check on the senior. If we can't reach any of the emergency contacts, a deputy (or police officer if you live within a municipality) will go check on the senior.

**Q: Will every senior be accepted into the program? What would disqualify them?**

A: Seniors must live in LaSalle County, must not have any family members who can check on them within 50 miles from where they live, and must want to be in the program.

**Q: What if the senior goes on vacation?**

A: They can email [seniorcheckin@lasallemountyil.gov](mailto:seniorcheckin@lasallemountyil.gov) or call 815-433-2161 to send their vacation days so we know they will not be home for a scheduled call.

**Q: What if we don't want to be in the program anymore?**

A: Just email [seniorcheckin@lasallemountyil.gov](mailto:seniorcheckin@lasallemountyil.gov) or call 815- 433-2161 to give us the date that you no longer wish to be in the program.