



Pembroke Pines Police Department

Special Needs Registry

What is the Pembroke Pines Police Department's Special Needs Registry?

The registry is intended to compile and maintain a list of individuals who have “special needs” due to mental or neurological disabilities, and who reside within the City of Pembroke Pines. Residents are invited to proactively provide information about any loved one with special needs, regardless of age, who may require special assistance in an emergency situation or interaction with Pembroke Pines Police Officers.

The Special Needs Registry program is completely voluntary. None of the information requested on this form is mandatory.

Registration Procedures:

To register for the Special Needs Registry, complete the Special Needs Registry Form and return the document to the Pembroke Pines Police Department. Forms can be dropped off at the PPPD East Headquarters (9500 Pines Boulevard, Pembroke Pines, FL 33024) or the PPPD West District Station (18400 Johnson Street, Pembroke Pines, FL 33029) or emailed to our Community Affairs Unit at cau@ppines.com. Parents and caregivers may enroll any person of any age with any type of medical condition or disability, including but not limited to: Autism Spectrum Disorder, Alzheimer's or Dementia, Bipolar Disorder, and Down syndrome. Adults with special needs may also enroll themselves.

What happens once the person is registered?

When a Pembroke Pines Police Officer has contact with a person listed on the registry, our 9-1-1 center can provide useful information to successfully interact and communicate with your loved one. The registry can also provide the parent or caregiver's emergency contact information.



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Personal Information

Please input the personal information of the special needs individual below.

Name (First, Middle, Last):

Date of Birth:

Gender:

Race:

Hair Color:

Eye Color:

Identifying Features (Scars/Birthmarks/Tattoos):

Primary Language:

Residential Information

Home Address:

City, State, and Zip Code:

Development Name:

Phone:

Email Address:



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Parent or Guardian Information

Please input the personal information of a Parent and/or Guardian below.

Name:

Home Phone:

Cell Phone:

Place of Employment:

Email Address:

Additional Contact(s) Information:

Name:

Home Phone:

Cell Phone:

Place of Employment:

Email Address:

Additional Contact(s) Information:

Name:

Home Phone:

Cell Phone:

Place of Employment:

Email Address:



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Registry Information: Disability/ Special Needs/Medical Needs

Please input the personal information of the special needs individual below.

Primary Diagnosis:

Co-Existing Diagnosis:

Additional Notes:

Medication(s):

Doctor:



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Please list any characteristics that are associated with this person:

(Examples include sensory issues, certain behaviors, physical aggression, calming strategies, trigger mechanisms, audio or visual aids, or previous dealings with police.)

What is the best method of communication with this individual?

(Examples include words, pictures, electronic devices, etc.)



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Please carefully read this information and print all pages for an in-person submission. This form may also be emailed to our Community Affairs Unit at cau@ppines.com.

- **On page 6, you may sign electronically or by original ink**

I am the lawful and legal parent and/or guardian of a person with special needs. The individual listed in this registry is _____ and my relationship is his/her _____.

I understand the information provided to the Pembroke Pines Police Department is for law enforcement to have useful information to better handle a situation involving the registered individual. This information may be subject to public records laws (Florida State Statute Chapter 119). However, special needs are protected under HIPPA laws and will be redacted when necessary. *(initial)*

RELEASE OF INFORMATION

I hereby give my permission for the Pembroke Pines Police Department to retain and distribute the information contained within this registration form to other first responder personnel, for the sole purpose of identification and protection of the person identified above in an emergency or crisis situation.

Waiver: The undersigned understands that participation in this voluntary Special Needs Registry does not create any specific right, interest, or guarantee from the City of Pembroke Pines, its employees, elected officials, contractors, attorneys, or agents (collectively "the City"). The undersigned, on behalf of myself and on behalf of the Special Needs Individual identified on these forms, hereby release, waive, and discharge the City from any liability for personal injury, property damage, property theft, loss, or claims of any kind which may accrue to any person or any entity, including but not limited to the Special Needs Individual. Such waiver, release, and discharge includes attorney's fees and litigation costs arising from, but not limited to, participation in this voluntary Special Needs Registry.

Signature: _____

Date:



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Frequently Asked Questions

Who is eligible?

The registry is developed with the intent to serve all members (adult or juvenile) of our community who have a “special need” and volunteer to register with the Pembroke Pines Police Department.

As soon as I register, will the information be immediately available to responding police officers?

No. The content from the registration form must be entered into our internal Pembroke Pines Police Department database, and then forwarded to the Broward Sheriff’s Office Dispatch Center. The process may take up to two (2) weeks to finalize.

Participants will receive a PPPD rubber wrist band with an identifying number following the registration process, as well as a vinyl decal to display on or near the front door of your home.

Who has access to my family member’s profile?

Pembroke Pines Police personnel who require this information in the performance of their official duties will have access to the information. This information may be shared with other police agencies during an emergency situation, or if the registered person is missing within another jurisdiction. There are strict regulations with respect to accessing and disseminating this information.

Can I update my profile if there are changes? How do I do that?

Information can be updated anytime it might bring a significant impact on our policing response. Some examples would include a change in address, or change in emergency contact information.

Changes can be made by contacting our Community Affairs Unit at cau@ppines.com, or by calling 954-436-3274.



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How will this registry help if my family member is missing?

If the registered individual is reported missing by the parent/guardian, our responding police officers have easy access to their information through the Special Needs Registry. Knowing an individual's special needs (including triggers, stimulants, and de-escalation techniques) greatly assists our officers in locating your loved one, and safely handling an encounter.

If the individual is not reported missing, but otherwise is contacted by our police officers, a computer query of our Special Needs Registry may allow to quickly identify and reunite your loved one.