

Citizens Asked to Report Hazards

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The City of Gainesville and Hall County Government have set up a one-stop shop for the reporting of road hazards, fire hazards, storm damage and other concerns. Gainesville Public Works Director, David Dockery, says they were looking for a civic engagement tool and it made sense to team up with Hall County since they already have their Citizen's Alert System. "We have been approached by several companies wanting to sell us some kind of program. We decided to team up with Hall County since their Citizen's Alert System is already in place. It doesn't matter where you live. Just take a picture of the hazard and send it in. Hall County Dispatch will make sure it goes to the right government," Dockery said.

Hall County Fire Chief and Emergency Management Agency Director for Gainesville-Hall County, David Kimbrell, says citizens must register first at alerts.hallcounty.org. "Once someone has registered for the Citizen's Alert System they can download the Everbridge Application, take a picture of the hazard, and send it to us. We want to take care of these issues before they become truly hazardous," Chief Kimbrell said.

Register for the Citizen's Alert System on the County or the City website then download the app from Everbridge.com.