

ALIGNING ADDRESSES WITH PUBLIC SAFETY



PURPOSE

On occasion, Stafford County finds it necessary to change an established street address for public safety purposes. Sometimes addresses may need to be changed because the current address is in the wrong location within the street range of addresses in that area. Why is this so important? Consistent addressing standards provide first responders with a reliable way to respond to all emergencies utilizing the 911 dispatch system. In other words, it's paramount for public safety to be able to find you to help you.

COUNTY CODE

The authority for maintaining the street naming and address numbering system is given to the Director of Planning and Zoning in Section 28-143 and -144 of the county code of the County of Stafford, Virginia (code). The Department of Planning and Zoning, in coordination with the Stafford County Office of Mapping and Geographic Information, reviews all request for addressing assignments, address changes, street name changes and address validation.

WHAT TO EXPECT:

- Initial letter with information about the process.
- Official letter initiating the street address change process concluding 90 days after receipt.
- Final status letter received at 90 day mark.

COUNTY RESPONSIBILITY

Stafford County implements address changes exclusively when deemed essential to optimize public safety operations. In cases where an address alteration occurs, the County initiates a series of measures to support homeowners throughout the process.

OWNER RESPONSIBILITY

Owners are responsible for readdressing their own property.



STAFFORD COUNTY WILL NOTIFY:

- County Maps
- County Records
- E-911 Dispatch
- United States Postal Service
- Applicable Agencies and Departments

ADDRESS CHANGE CHECKLIST:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Tax Agencies | <input type="checkbox"/> Bank and Credit Card Company |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Social Security Administration | <input type="checkbox"/> Loan/Insurance Providers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Department of Motor Vehicles | <input type="checkbox"/> Magazines and Subscription Services |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Gas and Electric Companies | <input type="checkbox"/> Online Shopping Sites |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Phone, Cable and Internet Providers | <input type="checkbox"/> Business Associates |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other Utilities | <input type="checkbox"/> Clubs and Organizations |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Homeowners or Renters Insurance | <input type="checkbox"/> Individual Service Providers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Employer | <input type="checkbox"/> Friends and Family |

Questions? Contact Stafford County Office of Mapping and Geographic Information at 540-658-4033.