Halloween Safety

**Keeping your family safe!**

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**Trick-or-treating tips:**

* A responsible adult should always accompany children ages 12 and under.
* Ensure costumes fit well, are flame retardant, and to not restrict eyesight.
* Wear reflective clothing and/or carry a light or glow stick.
* Never enter a home without permission and only approach homes that are well-lit.
* Bring all treats home before eating. Eat only factory-wrapped treats unless you know the giver well.
* Be cautious near streets and intersections.
* Say NO and GET AWAY from any person or situation making you feel scared, uncomfortable, or confused. Be sure to tell a trusted adult!

**Covid-19 Halloween Safety Information:**

The Illinois Department of Public Health recommends the following:

Trick-or-treaters:

* Maintain social distancing and wear proper face covering.
* Trick-or-treat in household groups only.
* Wash hands before consuming foods.

Residents:

* Consider leaving treats in bags for individuals to avoid repetitive touching.
* Leave Treats in an area where social distancing can be followed.
* Consider safe alternatives such as parties at home, schools, or community events.

Guidelines available at <https://www.pontiac.org/DocumentCenter/View/2734/093020-Halloween-Guidance>

Visit [www.livingstoncountysheriff.com](http://www.livingstoncountysheriff.com) to search for registered sex offenders in your area. Child sex offenders are prohibited from participating in Trick-or-treating or distributing items to children on Halloween.