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MEDIA RELEASE

DATE of EVENT: April 5, 2024
EVENT: **Tornado/ Severe Weather Awareness Week**
LOCATION: Kenosha County, WI
RELEASED BY: Sgt. Christopher Hannah (Emergency Management Director)

This year's Tornado and Severe Weather Awareness Week in Wisconsin will take place from April 8th through April 12th, 2024. This annual campaign encourages everyone to prepare for the tornados and severe storms that are frequently experienced during the spring and summer months. This opportunity also allows community members time to review any severe weather plans they may have in place or discuss with friends and family on what to do and where to go when severe weather strikes.

The statewide tornado drill for 2024 is scheduled at 1:45 p.m. and 6:45 p.m. on April 11th. During the drill times, Wisconsin's National Weather Service offices will conduct NOAA Weather Radio tests that can be heard only if you are actively listening to those devices or have one programmed to activate on test alerts. Kenosha County will NOT be testing the outdoor warning sirens during the drill times. Local radio and TV stations across the state may issue messaging to encourage people to participate in the scheduled drills. Schools, businesses, and people at home are encouraged to practice going to their nearest tornado shelter during the drills as if there were an actual tornado warning in effect.

For more information visit the ReadyWisconsin website at <http://readywisconsin.wi.gov>. You'll find great information on how to protect yourself and your family from tornadoes and other severe weather threats. You can also follow ReadyWisconsin on Facebook (<https://facebook.com/ReadyWisconsin>) and X (<https://twitter.com/ReadyWisconsin>) for updates and drill status.

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