

# Special Needs REGISTRY

## What is the Special Needs Registry?

The Special Needs Registry is an initiative of the Elmhurst Police Department. Its purpose is to compile and maintain a list of individuals who have "special needs" due to mental or neurological disabilities and who tend to wander away from their residence.

#### Why Register?

Residents are invited to proactively provide information about a loved one with special needs of any age, who may require special assistance in an emergency or interaction with Elmhurst Police Officers. When a Police Officer has contact with the registered person, this information can provide us with the details needed to successfully interact and communicate with your loved one, as well as provide us with your contact information.

This registry is a means of identifying a lost or found, missing or endangered individual within the city limits. The registration is completely voluntary and confidential.

# Who Should Register?

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, Deaf or Hearing Impaired and Down Syndrome.

## **How to Register**

Complete the Special Needs Registry Form, attach a photo of the person being registered, and email it to Officer Joan Velez at joan.velez@elmhurst.org, or drop it off at the Elmhurst Police Department. The form can be downloaded at elmhurst.org/specialneedsregistry or by scanning the QR code below.



Scan for the Special Needs Registry Form











