

## **Anchorage Police Department**

# **Nixle Quick Guide**

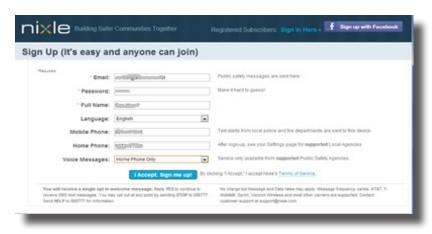


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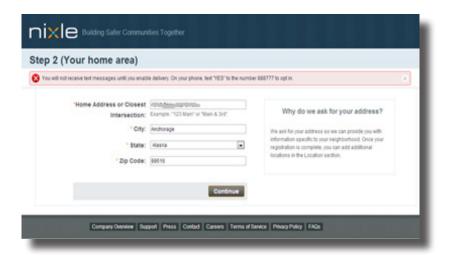


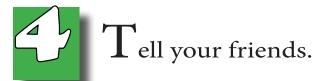


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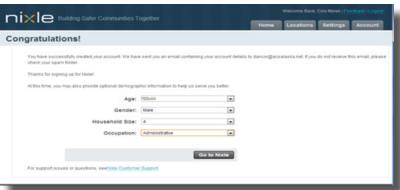
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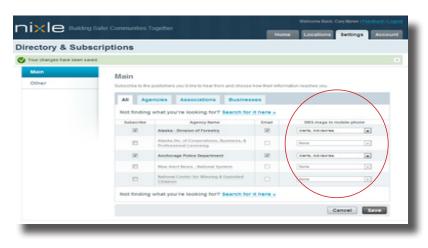


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Go to your "Settings" tab, and click on Anchorage Police Department. If you wish to receive "Community" messages via text, select "Alert, Advisory, Community" under the SMS Msgs to Mobile Phone column.



#### Message Publishing Best Practices

Selecting the correct Message Type is extremely important when creating a new publication.

See below for suggestions on how to choose the correct Message Type for your next message.



Alert

#### Definition:

Alert messages should be reserved for critically important information where loss of life and/or property is potentially imminent. Alert messages are time-sensitive and require your residents to take immediate action.

#### Resident Notification Settings:

By default, Alert messages reach your residents by SMS & Email. Residents have the ability to change their settings, however. Sending non-critical Alerts, or overusing the Alert message type, increases the chance that residents will opt out of SMS and/or Email notifications from your agency.

#### Alert Examples:

Severe Weather Warning	Gas Leak	Tsunami Warning
Missing Child	Wildfire	Contagious Disease Outbreak



#### Definition:

Advisory messages are intended to communicate important, need-to-know information. Advisories should be considered less time-critical than Alerts and require a heightened sense of awareness from your residents.

#### Resident Notification Settings:

By default, Advisory Messages reach your residents by SMS & Email. Residents have the ability to change their settings, however. Sending non-important Advisories, or overusing the Advisory message type, increases the chance that residents will opt out of SMS notifications from your agency.

### Advisory Examples:

Road Closure / Detour	Police Activity	School Closing
Wanted Suspect	Severe Weather Watch	Traffic Congestion



#### Definition:

Community messages should be used to convey everyday local news, happenings and developments. Community messages should not contain any time-critical information.

#### Resident Notification Settings:

By default, Community messages will reach your residents by Email only. However, residents can adjust their settings and opt in to receive Community messages by SMS as well.

### Community Examples:

Police Blotter	Sabriety Checkpoint Natice	Crime Prevention Tips
Event Reminder	Town Hall Meeting	Community Updates

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# Questions, comments, or concerns? Please contact us!

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