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Policy Statement

Bethany Life Communities strives to maintain a safe environment for residents/tenants, team members, volunteers, families, and visitors.

Policy Interpretation and Implementation

If you notice an unusual or unattended package:

- ✓ Do not move, jar, or touch the package or anything attached to it.
- ✓ Leave the package exactly as you found it.
- ✓ **Is it ticking?**
- ✓ **Does it smell of chemicals?**
- ✓ **Are there any exposed wires sticking out?**
- ✓ If the answer to any of these questions is “yes,” call 911 to report the situation.
- ✓ Evacuate the area until emergency personnel have given the “all clear.”

If there is an explosion:

- ✓ Take shelter against a large, sturdy piece of furniture.
- ✓ Move away from the direction of the explosion.
- ✓ Assist with the evacuation of the building.
- ✓ Do not use elevators.
- ✓ Check for fire and other hazards.
- ✓ Check residents and co-team members for injuries and seek immediate first aid.

If you are trapped under debris:

- ✓ If possible, use a flashlight to signal your location to rescuers.
- ✓ Avoid unnecessary movement so that you don't kick up dust.
- ✓ Cover your nose and mouth with anything you have on hand. Dense-weave cotton material can act as a good filter. Try to breathe through the material.
- ✓ Tap on a pipe or wall so rescuers can hear where you are.
- ✓ If possible, use a whistle to signal rescuers.
- ✓ Shout only as a last resort. Shouting can cause you to inhale dangerous amounts of dust.