



Privacy Notice

This page informs you of our policies regarding the collection, use and disclosure of personal data when you use Montgomery County website <https://montgomerycountyil.gov>. The notice covers the following topics:

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Information Collected and How it is Used

If you do nothing during your visit to our website but browse, read pages, or download information, we will gather and store certain information about your visit. This information **does not identify you** personally. We automatically collect and store the following information about your visit:

1. The Internet Protocol Address and domain name used. The Internet Protocol address is a numerical identifier assigned either to your Internet service provider or directly to your computer. We use the Internet Protocol Address to direct Internet traffic to you. This address can be translated to determine the domain name of your service provider (e.g., xcompany.com or yourschool.edu);
2. The type of browser and operating system you used.
3. The date and time you visited this site;
4. The web pages or services you accessed at this site; and
5. The website you visited before coming to this website.

The information we automatically collect or store is logged and used by Montgomery County only to improve the content of our web services and to help us understand how people are using our services. Montgomery County analyzes this information to determine how our website is being used, so that we may continually improve the site's usefulness to the public.

Personal Information

"Personal information" is information about an individual that is readily identifiable to that specific individual. Personal information includes personal identifiers such as an individual's name, address, phone number, driver's license number and Social Security number. A domain name or Internet Protocol address is not considered personal information. The County does not collect personal information about an individual unless that individual chooses to voluntarily participate in an activity that asks for information (e.g., sending an e-mail or participating in a survey). If an individual chooses not to participate in these activities, that choice will in no way affect that individual's ability to use any other

feature of the Montgomery County websites. If personal information is requested on the website or volunteered by the user, State law and the federal Privacy Act of 1974 may protect it. However, this information is a public record once an individual has provided it and may be subject to public inspection and copying if not protected by federal or state law.

Disclosure Information

Montgomery County may share personally identifiable information you provide to us online with representatives within the Montgomery County Administration and related entities, other government agencies, or other named representatives as needed to speed your request or transaction. In a government-wide effort to combat security and virus threats, we may share information we collect automatically, such as IP addresses, with other government agencies.

Also, the law may require us to share collected information with authorized law enforcement, homeland security, and in case of national security activities. See the Privacy Act of 1974 below. We do, however, endeavor to restrict employee access to any personal information except where necessary to perform required duties.

Cookies

A “cookie” is a small data file transferred by a website to your computer’s hard drive. You are sent cookies when you surf <https://montgomerycountyil.gov>, make online payments, respond to online surveys, or request information. Accepting <https://montgomerycountyil.gov> cookies does not give us access to your Personally Identifiable Information, but we can use the cookies to identify your computer. The aggregate information collected permits us to analyze traffic patterns on our Site. This can enable us to provide you with a better experience on our website.

Most browsers automatically accept cookies, but you can usually refuse cookies, or selectively accept certain cookies, by adjusting the preferences in your browser. If you turn off cookies, there may be some features of our site that will not be available to you and some web pages may not display properly.

Security

Montgomery County, IL, in conjunction with our technology partner(s), has integrated industry standard or better security measures and systems into the design, implementation and general operation of the County website.

Such measures include, but are not limited to:

Multi-Factor Authentication, Web Application Firewall (WAF), Access Management, Malware Protection, Monitoring, Auditing, TLS 1.3 (Transport Layer Security) encryption and Data Back-Ups.

Furthermore, Montgomery County, IL maintains ongoing efforts to identify and block unauthorized intrusions or attempts to manipulate website information through other forms of exploitation as part of our continuing commitment to risk management.

Third Party Services

Montgomery County, IL, uses content provided by third parties and uses third parties for transactions. Any opinions, advice, statements, services, offers or other information or content expressed or made available by third parties do not necessarily state or reflect those of the Montgomery County and shall not be used for advertising or product endorsement purposes. Montgomery County is not responsible for the contents of any off-site pages referenced. The user specifically acknowledges that the County is not liable for the defamatory, offensive, or illegal conduct of other users, links, or third parties and that the risk of injury from the foregoing rests entirely with the user. Third party links do not constitute an endorsement.

Children's Privacy Protection

Montgomery County, IL believes that protecting children's privacy online is extremely important. Montgomery County, IL respects national and international laws, including the Children's Online Privacy Protection Act ("COPPA"), which applies in the United States. Montgomery County, IL is not directed to children under the age of thirteen (13) and does not knowingly collect personal information.

Contact Us

If you have any questions or concerns about Montgomery County, Illinois' use of your information or about this Privacy Statement please contact us.

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