

Privacy Statement

Bennington Township is committed to protecting your privacy and developing technology that gives you the most powerful and safe online experience. This Statement of Privacy applies to the Bennington Township Web site and governs data collection and usage. By using the Bennington Township website, you consent to the data practices described in this statement.

Collection of your Personal Information

Bennington Township collects personally identifiable information, such as your e-mail address, name, home or work address or telephone number. Bennington Township also collects anonymous demographic information, which is not unique to you, such as your ZIP code, age, gender, preferences, interests and favorites.

There is also information about your computer hardware and software that is automatically collected by Bennington Township. This information can include: your IP address, browser type, domain names, access times and referring Web site addresses. This information is used by Bennington Township for the operation of the service, to maintain quality of the service, and to provide general statistics regarding use of the Bennington Township Web site.

Please keep in mind that if you directly disclose personally identifiable information or personally sensitive data through Bennington Township public message boards, this information may be collected and used by others. Note: Bennington Township does not read any of your private on-line communications.

Bennington Township encourages you to review the privacy statements of Web sites you choose to link to from Bennington Township so that you can understand how those Web sites collect, use and share your information. Bennington Township is not responsible for the privacy statements or other content on Web sites outside of the Bennington Township Web site.

Use of your Personal Information

Bennington Township collects and uses your personal information to operate the Bennington Township Web site and deliver the services you have requested. Bennington Township also uses your personally identifiable information to inform you of other products or services available from Bennington Township and its affiliates. Bennington Township may also contact you via surveys to conduct research about your opinion of current services or of potential new services that may be offered.

Bennington Township keeps track of the Web sites and pages visited within Bennington Township, in order to determine what Bennington Township services are the most popular. This data may be used to deliver customized content and advertising within Bennington Township to customers whose behavior indicates that they may be interested in a particular subject area.

Bennington Township will disclose your personal information, without notice, only if required to do so by law or in the good faith belief that such action is necessary to: (a) conform to the edicts of the law or comply with legal process served on Bennington Township or the

Web site; (b) protect and defend the rights or property of Bennington Township; and, (c) act under exigent circumstances to protect the personal safety of users of Bennington Township, or the public.

Use of Cookies

The Bennington Township Web site uses "cookies" to personalize your on-line experience. A cookie is a text file that is placed on your hard disk by a Web page server. Cookies cannot be used to run programs or deliver viruses to your computer. Cookies are uniquely assigned to you, and can only be read by a web server in the domain that issued the cookie to you.

One of the primary purposes of cookies is to provide a convenience feature to save you time. The purpose of a cookie is to tell the Web server that you have returned to a specific page. For example, if you personalize Bennington Township pages, or register with Bennington Township site or services, a cookie helps Bennington Township to recall your specific information on subsequent visits. This simplifies the process of recording your personal information, such as billing addresses, shipping addresses, and so on. When you return to the same Bennington Township Web site, the information you previously provided can be retrieved, so you can easily use the Bennington Township Web site features that you customized.

You have the ability to accept or decline cookies. Most Web browsers automatically accept cookies, but you can usually modify your browser setting to decline cookies if you prefer. If you choose to decline cookies, you may not be able to fully experience the interactive features of the Bennington Township services or Web site that you visit.

Security of your Personal Information

Bennington Township secures your personal information from unauthorized access, use, or disclosure. Bennington Township secures the personally identifiable information you provide on computer servers in a controlled, secure environment, protected from unauthorized access, use, or disclosure. When personal information (such as a credit card number) is transmitted to other Web sites, it is protected through the use of encryption, such as the Secure Socket Layer (SSL) protocol.

Bennington Township is a Michigan municipal corporation and that virtually all information in it's control is open to the public for their use.

Changes to this Statement

Bennington Township will occasionally update this Statement of Privacy to reflect business, legal, and customer feedback. Bennington Township encourages you to periodically review this Statement to be informed of how Bennington Township is protecting your information.

Contact Information

Bennington Township welcomes your comments regarding this Statement of Privacy. If you believe that Bennington Township has not adhered to this Statement, please contact Bennington Township at the address listed in the Contacts page. We will use commercially reasonable efforts to promptly determine and remedy the privacy issue.