

## Bring on the Snow!

First Properties is ready for the winter weather. We have contracted with Beverly Snow Removal, JJ Express, The Brickman Group, and Marten's Landscaping to handle snow removal at all of our properties. We have over 1 ton of calcium chloride on hand, and any property that has its own snow blower or lawn tractor has had the equipment tuned up and is ready to go.

A couple of points to remember about snow removal:

First, there has to be two inches of snow before the companies will plow. If we receive less than two inches, do not expect any snow removal. (Lobby entranceways will be cleared during the building engineer's next regular shift if there is ANY accumulation.)

Secondly, if there is a fast accumulation or heavy accumulation, the plow companies will generally make two or three visits to the property. The first visit will only be to plow a path down a lot or driveway. After the plows have visited all the properties, they will return to clear the snow properly.

Lastly, the plows will not show up instantly. Because each piece of equipment has to service several locations, only one property can be "first." Additionally, if traffic is snarled, it will take longer for the equipment to travel from one property to the next. Unfortunately, this means we cannot guarantee that all of the snow will be removed before you leave for work in the morning, or you return in the evening. The heavier the snowfall, the more time the equipment will spend at each property, meaning the longer it will take to arrive at subsequent properties.

Snow removal is not rocket science. However, factors such as traffic, speed of accumulation, and the time of the snowfall—all factors we cannot control—affect how quickly and efficiently the snow is cleared. We ask that you be patient, and allow us to get all associations serviced. While you may have to wait your turn, you can rest assured that your property will be plowed.