full version of joplin tornado
Posted by Firefighter1548 - 2011/06/08 04:17

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Here is the full version of Jeff and Kathryn Piotrowski's video of the joplin tornado. It shows the full aftermath and jusy how close they got to being victims themselves. It will give a whole new perspective. http://www.facebook.com/l.php?u=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.youtube.com%2Fwatch%3Fv%3DEfdK6H9d6J0%26feature%3Dplayer_detailpage&h=5fe9c

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Re:full version of joplin tornado
Posted by jcpalmer - 2011/06/08 09:07

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That is an incredible video and then when they arrive to the aftermath.. just horrific.

I hope things get better for you guys soon, FF.

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Re:full version of joplin tornado
Posted by Firefighter1548 - 2011/06/08 21:25

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Thanks JC. They have been working very hard to get debris cleared out. Its taking a bit to get back to a "new normal" but I know I'm getting there. Its gonna take time. I'm glad they released that video. That video alone shows so much more of what was happening and even showing the rapid growth. Where they were was an ef4. I'm amazed that they didn't become a victim themselves.

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Re:full version of joplin tornado
Posted by funtera77 - 2011/06/09 08:21

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Amazing Video ..
The bit where they shout to the Cops to get the Siren going!
I was amazed it wasn't already activated!

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Re:full version of joplin tornado
Posted by MN_MesoMandy - 2011/06/09 17:03

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Thank you for showing. Such a powerful video, emotionally speaking. Breaks my heart :(I wish you and everyone in Joplin nothing but the best.

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Re:full version of joplin tornado
Posted by refessati - 2012/01/23 15:46

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Hadn't gotten to watch this until now. A heartbreaking reminder of how devastating these storms can be.. Thanks, belatedly, for sharing it.

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Re:full version of joplin tornado
Posted by Janet - 2012/02/05 05:56

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Hi FireFighter!
Just now found this video. Fantastic and horrific! :ohmy:
How are things going now? I heard that Joplin was on that Ty Pennington home-rebuilding show with several homes being built. Any reaction to that? I also hear that the hospital that was so badly damaged is having to be rebuilt. This is urban renewal the hard way! :(
Jan

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Re:full version of joplin tornado
Posted by Phantom-Tatsu-Maki - 2012/02/14 03:53

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Wow, very intense video footage. :ohmy:

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Re:full version of joplin tornado
Posted by Firefighter1548 - 2012/02/16 03:21

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You are right Janet Extreme Home Makeover was here and built 7 houses. It was a mixed reaction. It was nice to see them helping out, I had some issues with the show itself, but that is the not so glamorous side of tv ;). The hospital will need to be rebuilt and they have started moving dirt and preparing ground to start rebuilding. The old one is in the process of being torn down and a new elementary school will be built on the old land. They are moving the new hospital a coupld miles south along I-44. Most of the major businesses are up and running again but the residential areas are very barren still. We've had a few thunderstorms the past few weeks and it is obvious that when storm season ramps up it is going to mess with many peoples heads, naturally. Me and some of my guys at the fire dept are working on putting on a severe weather awareness day and also looking at setting up a fundraiser to raise money to purchase weather radios and pass them out to our trailer parks in our fire district. Still need to try and get some video of our progress and post it on here. I'll see what I can do about that. :)

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Re:full version of joplin tornado

Posted by Janet - 2012/02/16 06:11

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Yup! All of TV isn't glamorous, including, I'd bet, running off bystanders who have never seen an event live like that- which is nearly everybody! :laugh: However... I hope it gets your town some good attention.

Weather radios are a good idea. Our local NBC affiliate, WMCTV.com is big on promoting the radios in my area. Your local fire dept. and your local NBC affiliate might want to contact them for ideas, etc. (Esp. etc!) They might be willing to help, or at least have ideas you might use. :)

The 7 houses that were built by Ty Pennington and his crew are likely just a drop in the bucket of what is needed, but, at least it is a start.

Good luck, and thanks for keeping us posted. B)

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