

This "How To" document will cover how to send a broadcast SMS (text) message to a targeted group of individuals. We'll also cover the various campaigns (think of them as folders) in which you'll send messages from.

STEP #1 - Select "Campaigns" in the main menu, under "Text Messaging"



STEP #2 - Click on your campaign or the one that matches subject/goal of your message.

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Tag Campaign
Tags: sandi@smartasafox.org ⑧

Campaign Actions

STEP #3 - Select under "Campaign Actions" \rightarrow "New Broadcast"

STEP #4 - Name your "Broadcast" using the naming conventions outlined below:



Naming Conventions:

- GENERAL: Short Description Date Audience
 - Ex. Security Alert 12/14/15 DC Office
- EVENT: Event/Conference Name or Acronym LOCATION YEAR Short Description Date
 Ex. MLK Parade CO 2016 Reminder 3/10/16

STEP #5 - Create your Message.

To create your message here are a few important things you should know:

- You can ONLY send ONE Message. Due to the FCC's enforcement for TCP laws only one message can be sent out in bulk to multiple targets by an organization. Only if the recipient is prompted to provide a response to the first message can a second message be sent. Basically only one "unsolicited" message per broadcast.
- **160 Character Limit.** Basically your message needs to be the length of a tweet, and this includes links. This is very limiting and something you need to think out in advance.
- Links can be Shortened and Tracked. When sending a message with a link you just need to wrap using two of these brackets on either end: {{<u>http://myfakeurltoshowyouthisexample.com</u>}} The double brackets will ultimately turn your URL when sent into a link like: <u>http://lil.ms/11tx</u>

STEP #5 - Create your Message. (Cont'd)

- **Messages Need to Identify the Sender.** These texts will be coming from a number people will likely not recognize. In your 160 characters you need to identify yourself. This is also a TPC requirement. Here are a few ways this can be done:
 - Start your message with: ORG ALERT: (ie. AFT ALERT:)
 - Start your message with: Hi it's NAME at ORG! (ie. Hi it's Sandi at PP)
 - End your message with: Person's name at ORG (ie. -Sandi at PP)
 - Or you could use both.
- Leave the default options selected. You will VERY VERY rarely be using any of these other options. If you do, it will require another training. Some of these more advanced options include the creation of a poll or "Multiple Choice Question" or including a graphic or GIF in your message (MMS).

TEST Broadcast 07/20/2018 03:51PM : Conversation

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Character Count A, B, C, or Blu Joe User can responses responses will be in You can ONLY add a new message if your first message asks the recipient to respond with a Keyword Trigger.	Hi {{First_Name}}, We are here for this Image: Construction of the series of the s	What do you want to do? Send a message Ask to Call In Trigger an mData Advertise a Keyword Tell a Friend Multiple Choice Question Trigger an Email Save Response As: Nothing Address Name Name & Address E-mail Zip Code Httach Media:
joe@example. Joe User can reply anything else they is profile.	This message will be sent via: SMS com with their email address and ike. We'll add the email to their This marks the end of this Conversation Add a Message Save & Continue >	When message is complete click here. "If there are any issues with your message you will receive a specific error message and not be able to save.

STEP #6 - Select your message recipients/audience.

- Checking the box that says "Send Broadcast to ### Campaign Subscribers" will send your message to everyone in your campaign. OR
- Type in the first word/letters of the "Group" you are targeting in the "Also include the following groups" box.
- **Suppression:** You can also suppress certain lists. So if you wanted to send a message to your whole list except for people in a particular city or school, you could create a filtered group or upload group to exclude.
- Then press save and continue.

1. Name \Rightarrow 2. Conversation \Rightarrow 3. Recipients \Rightarrow 4. Review & Schedule

(TEMPLATE) MEDC CO YEAR - Description of Broadcast - MO/DA/YR (TEST)

Send Broadcast to 0 Campaign Subscribers

Also include the following groups:

CONF: MedC CO 2016 - Planning Team (6) 🚆

And suppress the following groups:

Click here to Suppress Groups

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STEP #7 - Schedule your message!

- CONFIRM:
 - You should confirm that your message looks correct in this final window.
 - Also confirm the list that you are sending to is correct.

• SCHEDULE:

- Select the year, month, date and time of the send.
- "Time" is military time (24 hrs), so please keep that in mind.
- If you are sending to people in multiple timezones and don't want to wake someone in CA up at 6am, you can schedule for the send to go out at 9am in multiple timezones.
- You can also send immediately, if needed by selecting "Send Now"

AFTER THE SEND YOU CAN CLICK "REPORT" to SEE THAT IT WAS RECEIVED BY ALL RECIPIENTS AND TO SEE ANY RESPONSES or QUESTIONS via TEXT.

