Power outage strikes South Cheektowaga

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CHEEKTOWAGA – A power outage is impacting residents in South Cheektowaga Tuesday morning according to emergency officials.

Several 911 callers tell Cheektowaga's public safety dispatchers that power was zapped to the area around 7:15 am, and as a result, many traffic signal lights are out according to police radio transmissions.

A patrol officer posted himself to Losson and Union to direct traffic while others have been assigned to the intersections of Losson and Borden, and French and Union. Town-owned generators will soon be placed at major intersections.

Bellevue firefighters were pushed into action just after 7:30 am to assist a person on Carefree Lane out of his power chair.

Facebook user Kym Beyer says she's, "sitting outside enjoying the breeze [because] it's cooler than being inside with no air or fans."

Phyllis Thompson wrote, "Hopefully this will be restored quickly, some of us dont *[sic]* have back up plans or generators. And cant *[sic]* afford to lose a fridge full of food. As of now its nice outside than in the house so kids are playing and enjoying this."

NYSEG estimates that 11,333 customers were without power in Cheektowaga, Depew, and West Seneca.

Most of the area was restored by 9 am according to their website.

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