

2020 National Preparedness Month

“Disasters Don’t Wait. Make Your Plan Today”

- National Preparedness Month (NPM) is recognized each September to promote family and community **disaster planning throughout the year.**
- In order to prepare yourself, your families, and your communities, it is important to know what disasters and hazards could affect your area.
- Your family may not be together if a disaster strikes, so it is important to know how you’ll contact one another. Establish a family meeting place that’s familiar and easy to find.
- Tailor your plans and supplies to your needs and responsibilities (kids, pets, food, dietary and medical needs, and age of household members).
- Completely document your family emergency plan. Ensure that everyone understands the plan, and that it is readily accessible.
- Conduct regular household meetings to review and practice your emergency plan.
- **No one is more capable of planning for your situation than you.**
- **Be informed. Make a plan. Build a kit. Get involved.**

<u>Make A Plan</u>	<u>Build A Kit</u>	<u>Prepare for Disasters</u>	<u>Teach Preparedness</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - When making a plan consider the following: emergency alerts, shelter, evacuation, emergency kits, communication, and COVID-19 precautions. - Consider specific needs of your household: dietary needs, medical equipment/ medications, disabilities, pets or service animals. - Document your household emergency plan. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Gather supplies that will last for several days after a disaster for everyone living in your home. - Consider the unique needs each person or pet may have in case you have to evacuate quickly. - Inspect and update your kits and supplies based on recommendations of known situations. - Basic kit: water, food, radio, sanitation item, flashlight, facemask, duct tape, cash, clothes, medication. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Make your home stronger against storms and common hazards; act fast if you receive a local warning or alert. - Limit the impacts that disasters have on you and your family. - Know the risk of disasters in your area and check your insurance coverage. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Talk to others about preparing for emergencies. - Talk to your kids and elderly parents about what to do in case you are separated. - Share resources, tools, and information to help before, during, and after disasters. - Reassure your community by providing information about how they can get involved.

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FEMA Preparedness <https://www.fema.gov/emergency-managers/individuals-communities>

Disasters and Emergencies <https://www.ready.gov/be-informed>

Make A Plan <https://www.ready.gov/plan>

Build A Kit <https://www.ready.gov/kit>