

BE PREPARED...

Have a Communication and Evacuation Plan



CITY-COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

A Communications Plan

is very important.

Get together with family and friends and plan how you will contact one another in event of an emergency. A good plan is to have a mutual friend or relative that lives in a different area act as a go-between.

Everyone will call this person with information about their whereabouts and situation; this way, even if you cannot communicate directly with one another, you can still keep track of your loved ones.

Your Personal Support Network

is made up of people that will be able to help you during a disaster or emergency. This can include:

- Family
- Friends
- Neighbors
- Members of community organizations that you belong to



Include someone that does not live in your immediate area and will most likely not be affected by the same emergency. Share your emergency plan with your network. One person should have a key to your house and everyone should know how you will evacuate your home or workplace and where you will go.

Evacuation may be something you need to consider. Depending on the situation, it may be safer to stay at home. Monitor local media sources to help you make your decision.

Be prepared with an evacuation plan. Choose several destinations and map how you will get there. Will you be able to drive yourself or can someone take you? What if public transportation is not an option? If you have pets, be sure to have a place lined up for them to go if they cannot come with you. Learn about the evacuation plans at the buildings you frequent and plan how you will get out in an emergency.



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