

Creating an Emergency Plan



When there's an emergency like a bad winter storm, a hurricane, or a fire it's important to be prepared. Being organized and having a plan in place can help you get through the emergency.

Create a personal support network of friends or family who are willing to help you in an emergency:

- A personal support network should consist of at least 3 people you trust
- Tell them where you keep your emergency kit
- Give someone you trust a key to your home
- Include someone who lives outside your area that likely wouldn't be affected by the same emergency

Things to include in your plan:

- Where to find your fire extinguisher, water valve, electrical box, gas shut-off and floor drain
- Contact information for friends and family
- Plans for looking after your pets
- Information about your special health needs
- Contact information and instructions for your personal support network
- Keep a copy of your plan in your emergency kit, at home, in your car, and at work.