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No matter the disaster. Things you can do now to get your family ready.



- Sign up for your community's warning system. The Emergency Alert System (EAS) and National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Weather Radio also provide emergency alerts.
- Know your community's evacuation routes and find several ways to leave the area. Drive the evacuation routes and find shelter locations. Have a plan for pets and livestock.
- Gather **emergency supplies**, including N95 respirator masks that filter out particles in the air you breathe. Keep in mind each person's specific needs, including medication. Don't forget the needs of pets.
- Keep important documents in a fireproof safe. Create password-protected digital copies.
- Use fire-resistant materials to build, renovate, or make repairs.
- Find an outdoor water source with a hose that can reach any area of your property.
- Create a **fire-resistant zone** that is free of leaves, debris, or flammable materials for at least 30 feet from your home.
- Review insurance coverage to make sure it is enough to replace your property

SURVIVE DURING

- Listen to EAS, NOAA Weather Radio, or local alerting systems for current emergency information and instructions.
- Use an N95 mask to keep particles out of the air you **breathe**.

- **Evacuate**. Leave immediately if authorities tell you to do so.
- If **trapped**, call 911 and give your location, but be aware that emergency response could be delayed or impossible. Turn on lights to help people find you.

Don't Panic.
Remain calm and remember your plan.





BE SAFE AFTER

- **Listen to authorities** to find out if it is safe to return and whether water is safe to drink.
- Avoid hot ash, charred trees, smoldering debris, and live embers. The ground may contain heat pockets that can burn you or spark another fire. Consider the danger to pets and livestock walking the ground.

- Send text messages or use social media to reach out to family and friends.
 Phone systems are often busy following a disaster. Make calls only in emergencies.
- Document property damage with photographs. Conduct an inventory and contact your insurance company for assistance.





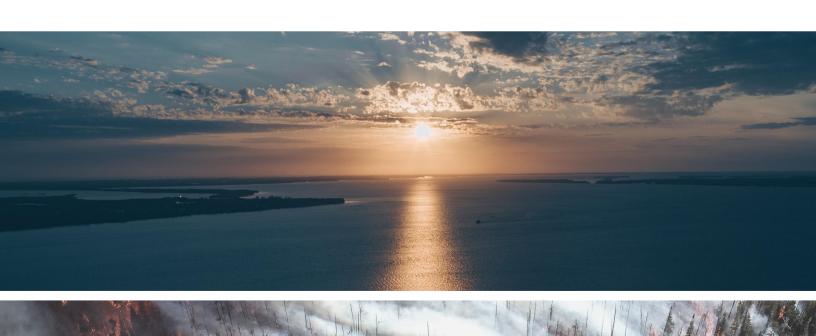


GENERAL PREPARED -NESS

- Discuss what to do in an evacuation, and don't forget to include the needs of those with disabilities.
- When told by officials, go immediately to a shelter as instructed or to the home of a friend or relative who lives out of the area. Find out about your local shelters beforehand.
- Know evacuation routes. Pre-establish several different routes in case certain roads are blocked or closed. Family members can become separated during an emergency. Be prepared by creating a plan for how to reach one another.

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- Establish an out-of-area contact (such as a relative or friend) who can coordinate family members' locations and information should you become separated.
- Make sure children learn the phone numbers and addresses, and know the emergency plans.
- **Quiz children** every six months so they remember what to do, where to go, and whom to call in an emergency.
- Decide how to take care of pets. Pets are not allowed in places where food is served, so you will need to have a place to take your pets if you have to go to a shelter.
- Post emergency phone numbers (fire, police, ambulance, etc.) by the phone.





Resources:

https://www.ready.gov/sites/default/files/2020-03/wildfire-information-sheet.pdf

https://www.nfpa.org/Public-Education/Firecauses-and-risks/Wildfire/Wildfire-safety-tips