

What Happened | Doing It Better, EVERY TIME!



FIRES and STORMS

Trees down everywhere. No access to buildings.
All tools were in "1 safe place" but now inaccessible!

Have critical tools & supplies where you can get to them accessible "safety sheds" in neighborhood.



EARTHQUAKE / LANDSLIDE

Bridges, culverts, roads closed.
Can't get out or in!

- Have backup power.
- Increase water storage.
- Staff & resources registered for Ag access.



ANIMAL WELFARE

Worried (frantic) about animals that couldn't be evacuated.

- Have county Animal Hotline numbers on phone, in emergency plan, a notebook, in your car.
- Call Animal Hotline to request help for animals as soon as you're in a safe place.
- Better prep for Animal SIP.



DEEP SLEEPERS

Could not rouse family member!!

- Sign up for Alerts.
- Get NOAA radio with Pillow Shaker accessory.
- Use a whistle.
- Honk horns to wake neighbors.



PHONE NOT WORKING

No charge or reception, phone broken or lost

Have multiple ways to get info.

Local news radio, local HAMS.
Keep contacts in phone and on paper.



HAZARDS EVERYWHERE

So many trees down, lots of debris to clear

Leave tools and ladders where firefighters can find & use.

Have supply cache with extra motor oil, axes, extra saw blades & chains.

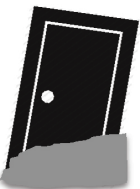


EVERYONE'S STRESSED

Pets escaped from evac location.

Stress, fleas, sanitation = Health Challenges!

- Have "Pet Inside" signs in Go-Bag, updated photos and ID docs, and microchip registration information.
- Have enough prescription meds & parasite control.
- Have sheets & towels for pet privacy, pet-safe cleaning supplies, baby wipes.
- NOTE TO SELF: BREATHE!!



JAMMED DOORS

Can't get to emergency supplies and go-bags.

Keep bags & critical stay crates in multiple locations, including car.



HARD TO LOCATE PROPERTY / LOCKED DOORS & GATES

Responders can't find or access property.

- Improve visibility, add reflective address signs, clear entrance, register gate code with Sheriff.
- House keys: Hide one, take one to Animal Control, if possible.



HIGH WINDS

Flying objects blowing in blackout conditions.

Need goggles, helmets and headlamps handy



MORE PPE (Personal Protection Equipment)

Include PPE for all kinds of hazard in buildings and out doors.

- Have PPE for everyone, plus extras.
- Include masks for protection from smoke & infection.
- Work gloves to prevent injury. Latex or Nitrile for Biosafety.
- Goggles, sunglasses, work boots, helmet, hard hat, layered clothing.



Plan for Plan B (C & D)

Plan A didn't work. Now what?

- Know your Evac Zone & routes.
- Have a shelter-in-place plan
- Communicate with your out-of-area contacts.
- Got cash?



COMFORT IS GOOD!

Don't leave home without it – it will make you stronger!
Little luxuries make a big difference!

Fleece, neck pillow, Uggs, sleep mask, books, games – for you and your pets!