



WPV-Ready

Basics of Preparedness Checklist



Track Your Preparedness Progress

Use this simple checklist to track your progress, step by step. The first three are very important, the rest, do in any order you like! Learn more online, and get help working with neighbors.

Stay Informed

Sign up on SMCAAlert. Get an emergency radio. Join our discussions.

Make a Plan

Emergency plans keep you connected to family and resources.

Get a Go-Bag

If you need to leave in a hurry, be sure you can grab the essentials in one kit.

Check Your Fire Extinguishers

And be sure you have one everywhere fires usually start.

Check and Test Your Smoke and CO Alarms

Replace any that are questionable.

Know Your Evacuation Procedures

Practice now, so you don't have to think about it in an emergency. Plan what to take.

A Little Preparedness Prevents a Lot of Pain

 Shake-Proof Your Home

When the earth quakes, don't let your home break.

 Harden Your Home Against Fire

If embers cannot ignite your home, they cannot burn it down.

 Create a Defensible Space Against Fire

If fire cannot get near your home, it cannot burn your home down either.

 Store Enough Food and Water for 2 Weeks

Food you like, water that's clean. Store some now, and avoid hunger and thirst.

 Prepare Your Pets Too

In an emergency, they depend on you even more.

 Have Independent Power

Whether the lines go down, or the power is shut off for safety, it's best to have your own.

 Know Your Utility Shut-Offs

If you have a big leak, know how to handle it.

 Know How to Shelter In Place

Have a room where you can seal yourself away from bad air.

 Know Your Neighbors

In emergencies, neighbors helping neighbors is how we survive, and thrive, in style!

 Know Our Big-3 Threats

Earthquake. Wildfire. Severe Storm. If we can handle these, we're prepared.

 Organize Your Ready Community

Find your local Community Leader. If nobody is doing it, you can start!

 Learn Response Skills

Get trained in 1st Aid, CPR, and CERT skills. The life you save could be your family's.

To get details on each of these points, visit us at <http://WPV-Ready.org/Basics>
You can also email your questions to Basics@WPV-Ready.org.