

Be Prepared When Disaster Strikes!



**DON'T WAIT UNTIL IT'S TOO LATE.
PREPARE FOR DISASTERS NOW!**

**House fires, floods, tornadoes,
and power outages are real
threats in the Midwest.**

**DISASTER EVENTS ARE INCREASING
IN FREQUENCY AND INTENSITY.**

**FEMA recommends being self-
sufficient for at least 72 hours.**

TIPS FOR DISASTER PREPAREDNESS:



Make a Family Emergency Plan

Consider specific needs in your household, prepare an emergency kit and emergency communications plan, then practice your plan with your family or household.



Be informed about local warnings and relief organizations.

Learn community warning systems, download the FEMA app, and familiarize yourself with local relief organizations such as the American Red Cross and Salvation Army.



Create an emergency kit.

Extra cell phone battery/charger, hand-crank weather radio, flashlight with extra batteries, first aid kit, whistle, lighter, local maps, list of medications, and emergency contacts. For a printable checklist, visit [ready.gov/kit](https://www.ready.gov/kit).



Build an emergency food and water supply

Stockpile food and water for a minimum of three days. You'll want enough water for everyone including your pets! Aim for 1-2 gallons of water/person/day.



Care for the trees on your property.

Pruning for structural strength and balance, and watering trees in times of drought help promote weather sturdy trees.



Prioritize financial preparedness

Start small and contribute to an emergency fund when able. Keep financial documents in one place with account numbers and passwords to make things easy to find.

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