

# Emergency Preparedness is Essential

## What type of disasters should we prepare for?

- Earthquake
- Flood
- Wildfire
- Extreme weather and lightning
- Terrorist attack
- Chemical, biological, radiological, nuclear or explosive event
- Pandemic
- Drought



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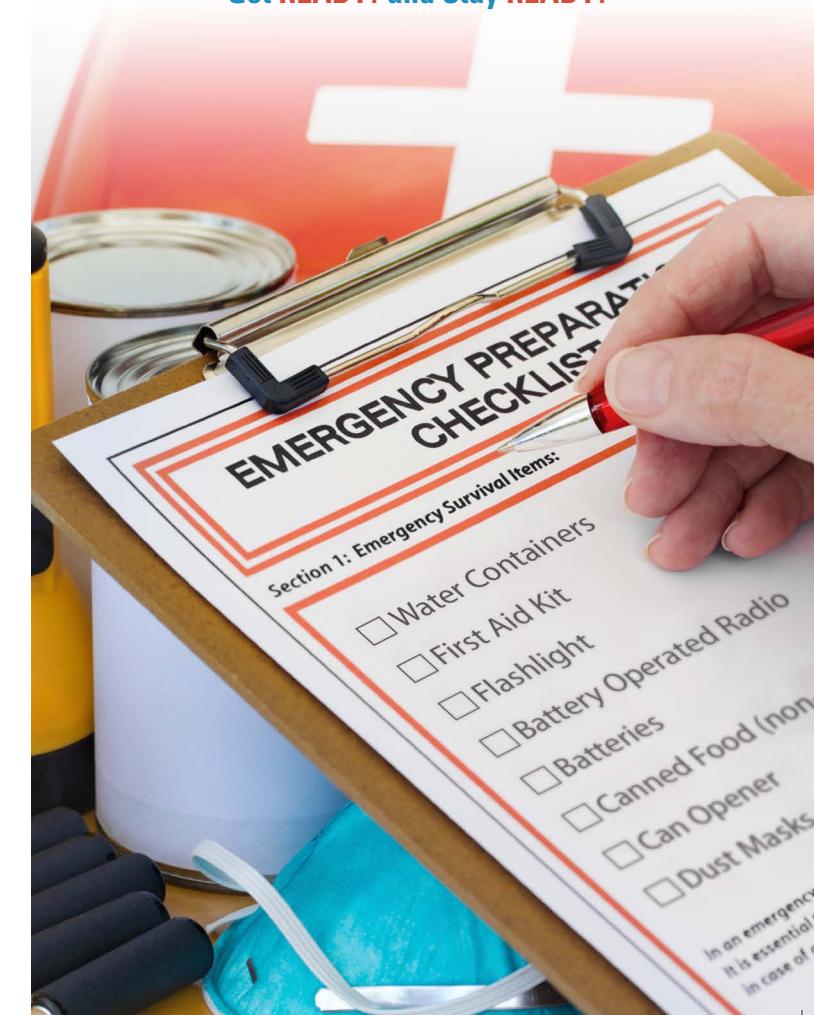
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# GET READY! STAY READY!

Like any other community, Henderson is not immune to disasters. Residents, business owners and operators, local government and visitors must all work together to plan and prepare for disasters.

The City of Henderson wants to help you  
**Get READY! and Stay READY!**



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EXTREME HEAT

EARTHQUAKE

DROUGHT

EXPLOSIONS

FIRE

PANDEMIC

HAZARDOUS MATERIAL

RADIOLOGICAL EVENT

CIVIL DISTURBANCE

FLOOD

## How do I prepare my family for an emergency?

**Build an emergency supply kit. The kit should contain basic supplies for survival for at least 72 hours. Build your kit according to your family's needs. Basic emergency supplies could include:**

- Water, one gallon of water per person per day for a least three days
- Food, at least a three-day supply of non-perishable food
- Battery-powered radio
- Battery-powered cell phone charger
- Flashlight and extra batteries
- First aid kit
- Medications
- Medical insurance cards
- Whistle to signal for help
- Moist towelettes and garbage bags
- Local maps
- Games, puzzles and books
- Supplies for your pets or service animal, including vaccination records, extra food and water, leash, collar, pet carrier, photo of your pet, and a list of pet-friendly shelters and/or pet hospitals

**Develop a family plan. It is critical to your family's safety to plan in advance, and to know what you will do in different emergency situations.**

- Develop a family communications plan. The plan should include an emergency contact list. Designate one person in your family to call, text or email relatives or friends in the event of an emergency.
- Determine if your family needs to evacuate.
- Designate a meeting place, and know how to get there. Pick a meeting spot, and consider different ways to get out of every room.

**Be informed. The City uses several tools to provide residents important information during an emergency.**

- **cityofhenderson.com.** A yellow emergency banner will be activated on the City's homepage, linking to additional emergency information.
- **Social media.** Receive real-time updates on the City's Facebook or Twitter pages.
- **SONevada.OntheAlert.com.** Self-register to receive emergency warnings through phone, text, or email messages. Messages are only sent to residents within the defined emergency area.
- **Stay tuned in to television and radio broadcasts.**

## How do I prepare my business for an emergency?

**Business preparedness is similar to planning for your family. How quickly your company can bounce back from a disaster depends on emergency planning done in advance. Basic steps should include:**

**Make an emergency plan.** Work with your employees to pre-plan for disasters. Create emergency procedures, and practice for all types of emergencies.

**Build an emergency supply kit.** Employees should have a portable supply kit that includes the basics of survival, but is also customized to their needs. As a business owner, you should have copies of important records, including building plans, insurance policies, computer backups, bank account records, and an employee contact list.

**Develop a shelter-in-place plan.** Determine if an emergency requires people to stay inside and take shelter, or to evacuate quickly. Make a plan for both.

**Review insurance coverage to avoid major financial losses.**

**Prepare for utility disruptions.** Plan ahead, and identify alternatives or back-up options such as portable generators.

**Secure your building or facility.** Plan ahead of time to protect your physical assets. Install fire extinguishers, smoke alarms and detectors. Put locks on all points of entry and exit, and secure valuable equipment. Maintain your heating, ventilating and air-conditioning system, and consider an upgrade to your air filtration system.

## How do I get involved?

**Many people want to help their neighbors in a time of crisis. There are several ways that you can be an emergency response leader in your neighborhood.**

- **Community Emergency Response Team (CERT).** Volunteer for training in disaster preparedness, basic first aid, fire safety, and light search and rescue operations.
- **CPR training.** Obtain training through the American Red Cross or other organizations.
- **Citizen Corps.** Be prepared to support local emergency responders, disaster relief, and community safety with training in first aid and emergency skills.
- **Neighborhood Groups.** Become a member of an emergency preparedness group, homeowner's association or other civic group.

### Additional Resources:

[cityofhenderson.com](http://cityofhenderson.com)

[twitter.com/HendFireDept](https://twitter.com/HendFireDept)

[facebook.com/HendersonFireDepartment](https://facebook.com/HendersonFireDepartment)

[SoNevada.OntheAlert.com](http://SoNevada.OntheAlert.com)

[nvcert.org](http://nvcert.org)

[dem.nv.gov/preparedness](http://dem.nv.gov/preparedness)

[ready.gov](http://ready.gov)

[RedCross.org](http://RedCross.org)

[citizencorps.fema.gov](http://citizencorps.fema.gov)

[shakeout.org/nevada](http://shakeout.org/nevada)

