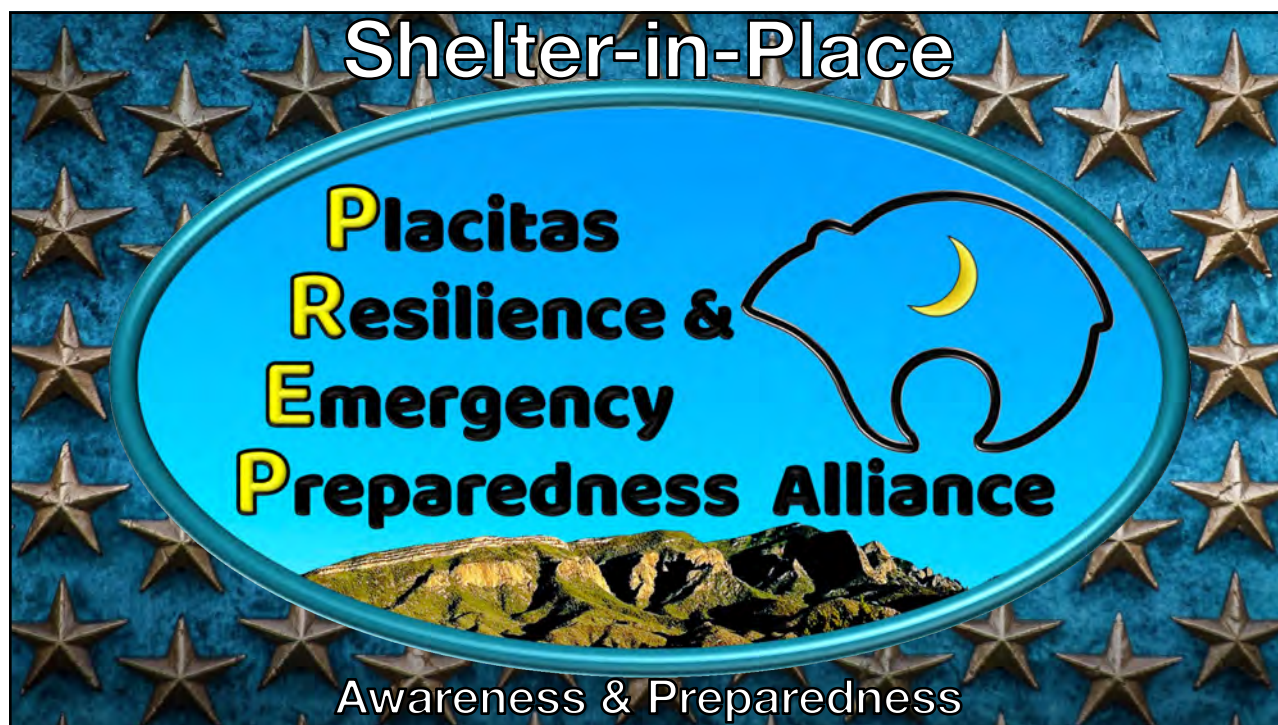




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Shelter-in-Place – Agenda



Our vision . . .

– a Placitas community that is a collaborative network of individuals, neighborhoods and organizations well prepared for all types of emergencies at any scale

Our discussion:

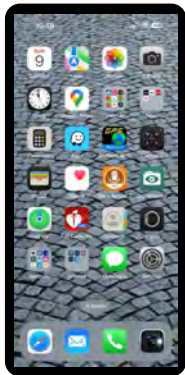
- ❖ Safety Announcements
- ❖ What is the PREP Alliance ?
- ❖ Characteristics of the Placitas Area
- ❖ **What** is "Shelter-in-Place" & **who** is affected ?
 - ❖ One response to an *emergency situation*
 - ❖ Likely characteristics of a Shelter-in-Place situation
- ❖ **Why?** What would cause you to Shelter-in-Place ?
 - ❖ An order is issued
 - ❖ Best option for you . . .
- ❖ **When** might that happen ?
- ❖ **How?** What do we do in a Shelter-in-Place situation ?
 - ❖ General preparedness & situational awareness
 - ❖ Supplies & equipment

- **Who**
- **What**
- **Why**
- **When**
- **How**

- ❖ Things you need to know
- ❖ Residential improvements ?
- ❖ Arrangements & Behaviors

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Evacuation Notification . . .



**County
Officials
Execute
Notification**

**SIGN UP
FOR
EMERGENCY
ALERTS**



Text **SANDOVALNM**
to **888777**
or go to
www.sandovalcountynm.gov/scan



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Introduction to PREP



The Premise:

When disasters and emergencies occur, both emergency services agencies and ordinary individuals have important roles in responding, surviving and recovering. Emergency preparedness on the part of both individuals and emergency services agencies is often the key to a swift and effective response that saves lives and reduces injury and damage.

What we do:

The **PREP Alliance** is a volunteer, nonprofit organization that organizes community programs and activities that cultivate emergency preparedness and resilience within and among individuals, organizations and the communities in the Placitas Area – *and more*.

... common sense measures to help you prepare for, and survive, any kind of significant emergency

For more information about PREP visit our website:

website: **www.PREPalliance.org**

email: **info@PREPalliance.org**

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PREP Community Briefings

The **PREP Alliance** conducts a regular series of community briefings:




6/17/25 ✓ **Fire Mitigation and 'Defensible Space'** ← **Back by popular demand May 2027**

- What homeowners can do to help protect homes against wildland fire

10/14/25 ✓ **Emergency Evacuation:**

- How to navigate an evacuation event
- What to do to prepare in advance of an evacuation

01/20/26 ✓ **Homeowner's Insurance: Wildland fire impact on Availability & Cost**

05/12/26 ✓ **Wildland fire in Placitas – computer simulations**

July 14 ✧ **Shelter-in-Place**

- Why would this happen (esp. power outage)
- Emergency supplies

Oct 10 ✧ **Fire Extinguisher – practice using one!**

- ✧ Neighbors-helping-Neighbors
- ✧ How to survive a Medical Emergency
- ✧ Smart Phone – Emergency Preparedness Tool
- ✧ Emergency Response: What happens in an emergency



February 2027

– September 15 – Annual Meeting

Input from the Placitas Community

PREP wants to hear from you !!



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PREP Announcements

PREP News:

✧ Grant awards . . .

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Wildfire Risk Reduction Education Outreach



U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF LAND
MANAGEMENT



NEW MEXICO
COUNTIES
33 STRONG

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PREP Announcements



PREP News:

- ✧ **Help Wanted – Part-time assistance for communications and outreach**
 - Interest – email  info@PREPalliance.org
 - Go to the PREP website to see the job description:

www.PREPalliance.org

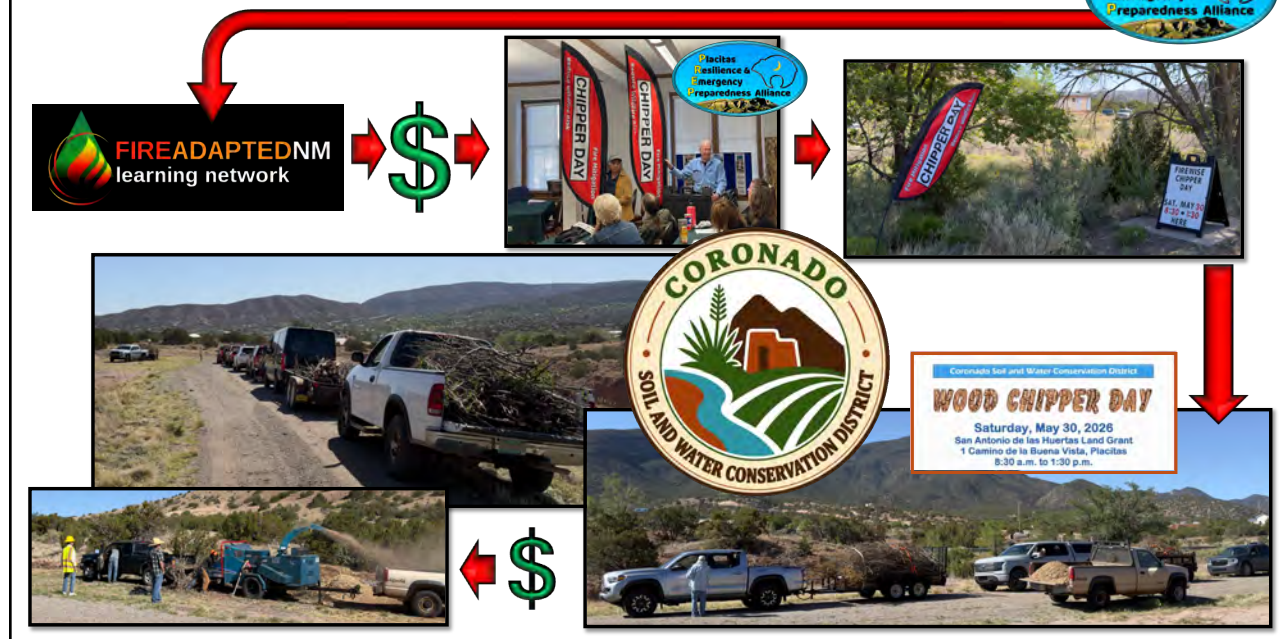
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PREP works with other Community-Based Organizations



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How Grants Work . . . Just one example:



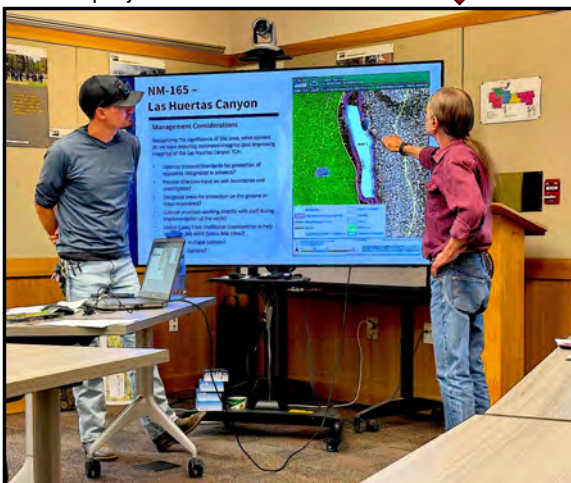
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PREP Announcements



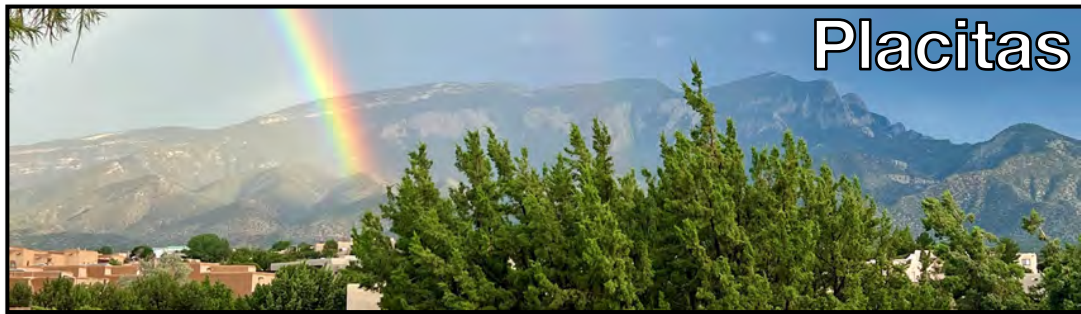
Las Huertas Canyon Fuels Reduction Project

May 2025: Jon Couch (PREP & Coronado S&WCD) discussing plans for the project with US Forest Service



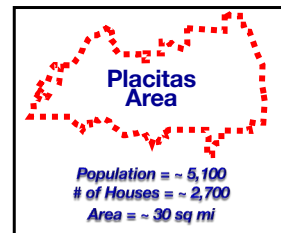
June 2026: Nathan Schroeder (Santa Ana Pueblo) showing Phillip Clark and Dawn Foster (PREP) completed work

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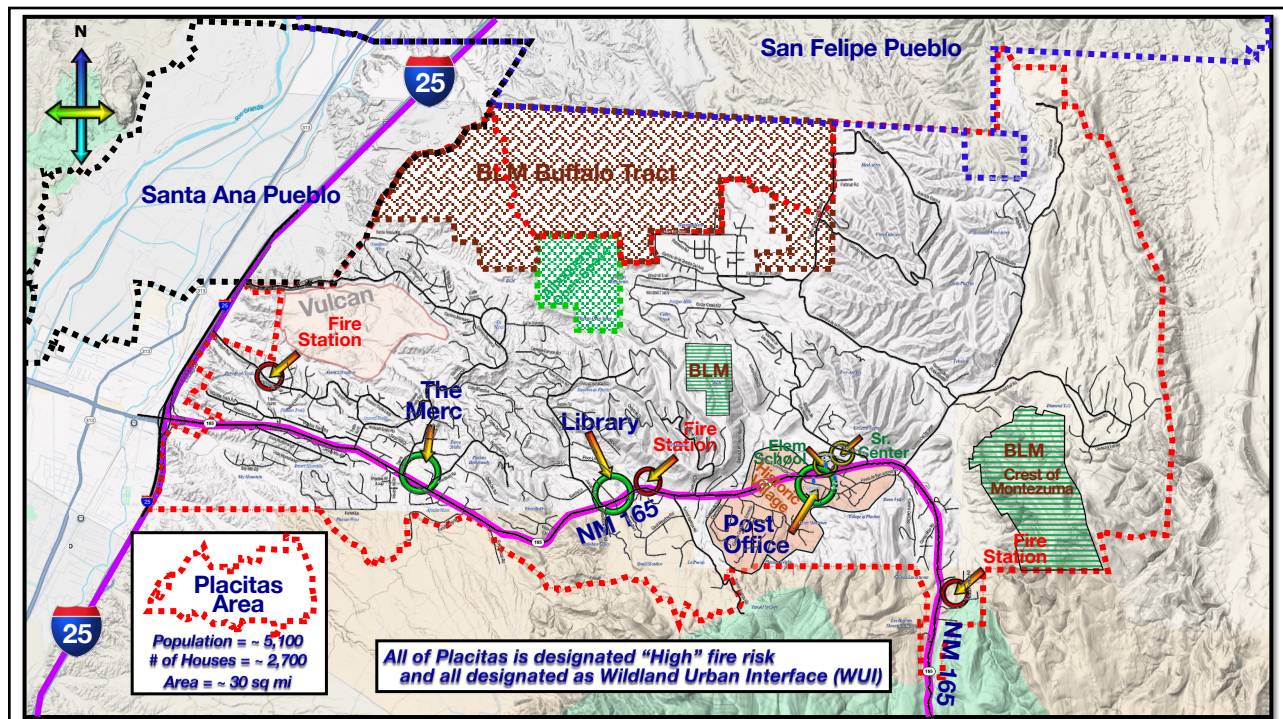


“The Placitas Area”

How PREP looks at it . . .



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Characteristics of our area:

- ❖ **RESIDENTIAL**
- ❖ **Arroyos and picturesque canyons**
- ❖ **Some mountain terrain**
- ❖ **Both desert & forested areas**
- ❖ **Narrow, winding roads**
 - ❖ **Many: one-way in/out**
- ❖ **Challenging weather**
- ❖ **High winds – *frequently***
- ❖ **High FIRE danger**
- ❖ **High FLOOD potential**
- ❖ **Potential for seismic activity**
- ❖ **Older population** (median age = 63)
- ❖ **Limited civic infrastructure**

What could possibly go wrong?

**Sandoval County –
Rio Grande to Mt Sandia
Wildland-Urban Interface**

Fun Fact: elevation gain from 5,055 ft to 10,504 ft
over a distance of eight miles



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Emergencies: *What are they?*

Wildland Fire

Structure Fire

Gas Leak
Single Structure

**Carbon
Monoxide**

Motor Vehicle
Accident

Traffic
Control



Earthquake

Haz Mat

Gas Leak
Distribution
Line

Search &
Rescue

Lost Party

Medical

Lift Assist



**Mass Casualty
Incident**

Plane Crash

Terror Incident

Active
Shooter

Swift Water
Rescue



Flood

Power Outage

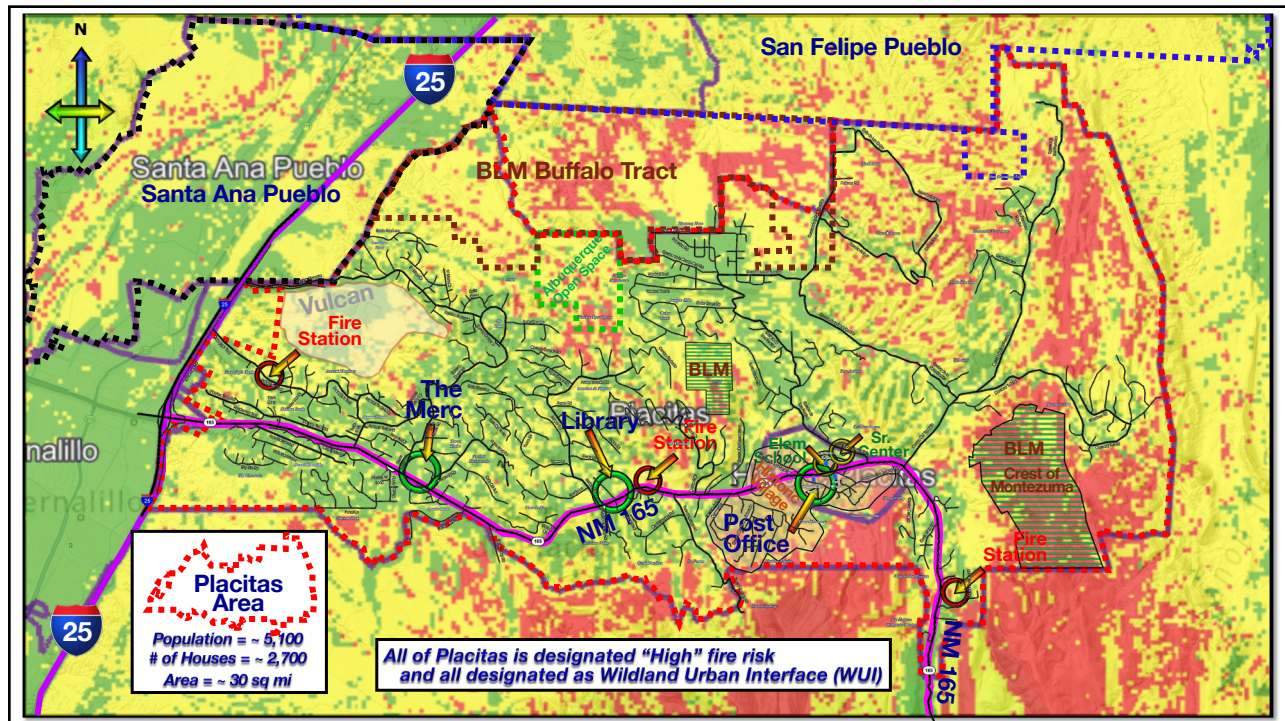
Structure
Collapse

Community
Event Support

Assistance –
Other



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The Osha Canyon Fire

Friday, June 19, 2026 – first report: 13:22

- Cause: Lightning Strike (Thursday night)
- Size: about 1 acre

Placitas

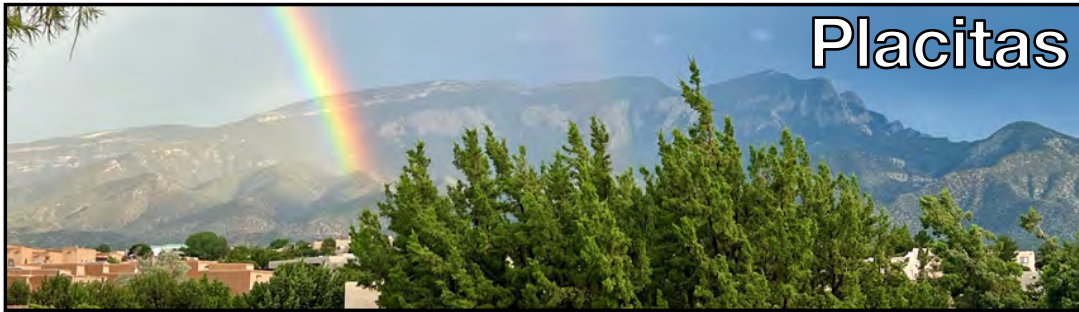
- Behavior: creeping and smoldering
- Response: Multiple agencies; helicopter, LAT, hot shot crew hiked in
- Suppressed – Monday, June 22

**How many people were aware of this fire?
How many people kept track of status?**

photo credit: US Forest Service

photo credit: Matthew LaBrecque Betlej

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Shelter-in-Place

There are a number of situations in which you may have to "Shelter-in-Place"

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When an Emergency Happens: *One of two possibilities*



Emergency

Evacuation

Shelter-in-Place

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Shelter-in-Place ➡ Who? – What? – Why? – When? – How?

Who / What?

 **YOYO = You're On Your Own** (at your location)

- ❖ No help or assistance available from emergency service agencies

Possible Conditions:

Electricity ?

- ❖ Heat & AC ?
- ❖ Refrigeration
- ❖ Phone Service
- ❖ Cooking

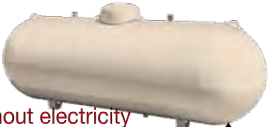
Well ?

- ❖ Internet
- ❖ Garage door

Medical equipment ?
(e.g. oxygen concentrator)

- ❖ Charging mobile phone and other re-chargeables

Propane might not do much good without electricity






Water ?

- ❖ Water system ?
- ❖ Well ?

Hydration

- ❖ Shower

Toilet

- ❖ Washing dishes, clothes, etc.





Gas ?

- ❖ Heat ?
- ❖ Hot water





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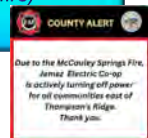
- ❖ No help or assistance available from emergency service agencies
- ❖ No electricity; No Water; No Gas

Why ?

- ❖ Power Outage
- ❖ Wildland Fire
- ❖ Flood
- ❖ Earthquake
- ❖ Gas pipeline rupture

High winds (that might cause or exacerbate a wildland fire)

Power Utility Issue



PSPS:
Public Safety
Power Shutoff








When ?

- ❖ Can happen at any time – any time of the year . . .
- ❖ All seasons bring conditions that can lead to “shelter-in-place”

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Shelter-in-Place ➡ Who? – What? – Why? – When? – How?



How ?

❖ How can we be prepared to shelter-in-place ?

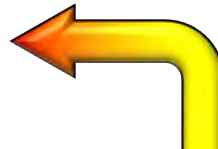
Consider the meaning of the word “PREPARED” . . .

Prepared: from “prepare” – definition: To make ready in advance

- ❖ From the Latin: prae- (“pre-”) + parāre (“make ready”).
- ❖ Two different aspects: *Mental* and *Physical*
 - Mentally ready – having thought through the situation and consequences in advance
 - Physically ready – equipped and fit for a particular incident or emergency



This is your homework assignment



We are doing some of this right now



The key here is that: to be PREPARED, you need to do all of the preparation work in advance / beforehand / prior to the emergency

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Shelter-in-Place ➡ Who? – What? – Why? – When? – How?



How ?

❖ How can we be prepared to shelter-in-place ?

- ❖ Be prepared for EMERGENCIES – *generally* . . .
 - Emergency notification – make sure you get the alert
 - Situational Awareness & Common Sense
 - Know the types of emergencies that can occur
 - Know your options & have a plan



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Resources to help you . . .



This is not rocket science – there is a huge amount of good information on emergency preparedness out there . . .



<https://www.fema.gov/>

All of these – and more – are available on the PREP website



<https://www.ready.gov/>

www.PREPalliance.org



<https://www.redcross.org/>

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Be Prepared – *generally* . . .

Download this list from the PREP website



Preparedness Checklist:

- ✦ Have an up-to-date back-up copy of all your computer files that also contains:
 - Digital copies of all ID and important papers (insurance, deeds, banking, etc.)
 - Inventory & pictures of the entire contents of your home (esp. valuables)
- ✦ Have an up-to-date list of all Rx and medical conditions available for emergency medical responders
- ✦ Emergency preparedness Apps installed on your smart phone; know how to use them
- ✦ Register to receive ALERTs about emergencies in your area
- ✦ Contact information for family, friends, physicians & ... on your smart phone
- ✦ Competent in CPR, or at least “hands-only” CPR
- ✦ Competent in Stop-the-Bleed techniques
- ✦ Have a complete first aid kit
- ✦ Have a Stop-the-Bleed kit
- ✦ Have a “Go Bag” ready to go
- ✦ Have a family emergency plan in place
- ✦ Have a plan & supplies for your pet(s)
- ✦ Know how to get reliable information about an emergency as it is happening
- ✦ Have *Emergency Supplies & Equipment* in place
- ✦ Know your evacuation route(s); do a test drive; do an evacuation drill
- ✦ Be familiar with local evacuation centers
- ✦ Designate a safe meeting place and contact person for you & family members
- ✦ Complete fire mitigation work around your home to create good defensible space
- ✦ Coordinate with your neighbors about assistance you/they might need in an emergency
- ✦ Home address sign highly visible



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❖ Execute the plan .

- **Supplies & Equipment** (e.g. food & water for seven days)
- **Learn New Things** (e.g. how to open garage door without electricity)
- **Residential Improvements** (e.g. fire mitigation, generator)
- **Make Arrangements** (e.g. coordinate with neighbors about assistance)
- **New Behaviors** (e.g. gas tank never less than ½ full; new apps on phone)



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Execute your plan . . .



◆ Supplies and Equipment

◆ Things you should know

◆ Residential Improvements

◆ Make Arrangements

◆ New Behaviors

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Emergency Supplies

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the PREP website



Tools & Materials

- ✦ Duct tape & scissors
- ✦ Multi-tool
- ✦ Sturdy knife
- ✦ Pry bar
- ✦ Shovel
- ✦ Shut-off wrench
- ✦ Pliers & Screw drivers
- ✦ Work gloves
- ✦ Rope & twine
- ✦ Plastic sheeting



Clothing

- ✦ Complete change of clothes & footwear for each person
- ✦ Sturdy work shoes or boots
- ✦ Extra sox & underwear
- ✦ Weather appropriate outerwear & rain gear
- ✦ Gloves & hat
- ✦ Sunglasses



Emergency Items

- ✦ Radio – battery-powered, portable & extra batteries
- ✦ Flashlight & extra batteries
- ✦ First aid kit
- ✦ Cash
- ✦ Signal flare
- ✦ Compass
- ✦ Whistle
- ✦ Dust masks
- ✦ Travel alarm clock & batteries
- ✦ Matches in waterproof container
- ✦ Tent &/or tarp
- ✦ A-B-C fire extinguisher
- ✦ Paper & pencil
- ✦ Needles & thread



Bedding

- ✦ Blankets or sleeping bag for each person
- ✦ Pillows

Sanitation

- ✦ Washcloths & towels
- ✦ Towelettes, soap, hand sanitizer, liquid detergent
- ✦ Tooth paste, toothbrushes, shampoo, deodorants, shaving supplies, comb, brush
- ✦ Contact lens solutions
- ✦ Mirror
- ✦ Feminine supplies
- ✦ Sunscreen, insect repellent, lip balm
- ✦ Heavy-duty plastic garbage bags & ties
- ✦ Toilet paper, paper towels
- ✦ Disinfectant
- ✦ Household chlorine bleach* & eye-dropper
- ✦ Medium-sized plastic bucket with tight lid (maybe two)



★ **Chlorine Bleach** – When diluted nine parts water to one part bleach, bleach can be used as a disinfectant. Or in an emergency, you can use it to treat water by using 16 drops of regular household liquid bleach per gallon of water. Do not use scented, color safe or bleaches with added cleaners

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Emergency Supplies

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Kitchen

- ✦ Manual can opener
- ✦ Mess kit &/or paper cups, plates, plastic utensils
- ✦ All-purpose knife
- ✦ Sugar, salt, pepper
- ✦ Aluminum foil & plastic wrap
- ✦ Re-sealing plastic bags
- ✦ Small cooking stove & fuel



Water & Food

- ✦ Water for 7 – 10 days (1 gal per person per day)*
- ✦ Food: non-perishable for 7 – 10 days
 - ✦ Ready-to-eat meats
 - ✦ Canned fruits & vegetables
 - ✦ Canned or boxed juices
 - ✦ Boxed milk
 - ✦ Powdered milk
 - ✦ Canned soup
 - ✦ Peanut butter & jelly
 - ✦ Granola/protein bars
 - ✦ Trail mix
 - ✦ Vitamins
 - ✦ Tea & instant coffee
 - ✦ Cereal
 - ✦ Cookies & hard candy
 - ✦ Food for infants & people with special diets
 - ✦ Pet foods for 7 – 10 days
 - ✦ Water for pets†

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† **Water for pets** – one ounce of water per one pound of body weight per day (e.g. 32 lb dog = 1 quart per day)

= 22 Gallons

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First Aid Kit

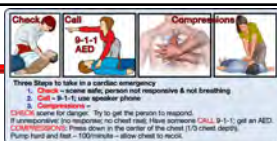
What can **YOU** do ?

Before

- Have a good First Aid Kit
- Bleeding Control Kit
- Know first aid & CPR & Stop-the-Bleed

During

- Recognize symptoms
- Dial 9-1-1
- First Aid & CPR & Stop-the-Bleed



Download this list from the PREP website



First Aid Kit Essentials

- First aid manual
- Adhesive tape & Duct tape
- Self-adhering bandage wrap
- Sterile adhesive bandages in assorted sizes
- Safety pins (assorted sizes)
- Cleansing agents (isopropyl alcohol, hydrogen peroxide, soap/germicide)
- Sterile saline for irrigation, flushing
- Triple antibiotic ointment
- Non-latex exam gloves (2 pair)
- 2-inch and 4-inch sterile gauze pads (4-6 each size)
- Triangular bandages (3)
- 2-inch & 3-inch sterile roller bandages (3 rolls each)
- Cotton balls
- Scissors (or trauma shears)
- Tweezers & Needle
- Thermometer
- Breathing barrier, pocket mask
- Tongue depressor blades (2)
- BZK antiseptic wipes
- Antiseptic
- Petroleum jelly or other lubricant
- Hydrocortisone cream (1%)
- Sting & bite relief wipes
- Sunscreen
- Ibuprofen, 200mg; Acetaminophen, 325mg
- Diphenhydramine, 25mg (Benadryl)
- Aspirin - low dose, 81mg

Contents of Bleeding Control Kit

Contents:

- 2 pr Nitrile Gloves
- 1 x CAT Tourniquet (gen 7)
- 2 x Emergency Trauma Dressings
- 6 x Gauze Rolls (4")
- 4 x 4x4 Gauze pads
- 2 x Survival Blankets
- 1 x Trauma Shears
- 2 x Coban Rolls (2")
- 6 x 1" x 3.5" band-aids
- 1 x Permanent Marker
- 1 x Instruction Card/Guide
- 1 x Pouch



Maybe a Pulse Oximeter too

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Execute your plan . . .



◆ Supplies and Equipment

◆ Things you should know

◆ Residential Improvements

◆ Make Arrangements

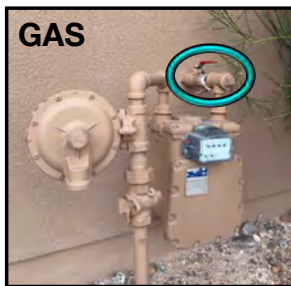
◆ New Behaviors

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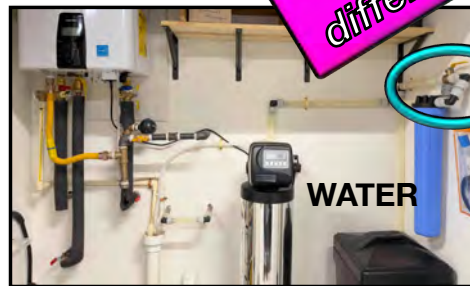
Things you should know . . .

Utilities:

- ❖ How to turn off the electricity
 - Main and individual breakers
- ❖ How to turn off the gas/propane
 - Well?
 - For the whole house
 - At the main
- ❖ How to open your garage door without electricity
 - You may need their help
 - They may need your help



GAS



WATER



POWER



GARAGE DOOR

It will probably be different at your home!



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Things you should know . . .



GARAGE DOOR

Disconnects door from power operation

Allows you to manually operate garage door

Pull down on cord with handle



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Things you should know . . .



Know more about your Smartphone



Perhaps your most powerful and useful piece of emergency equipment . . .

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Emergency Preparedness *in your pocket*



Call 9-1-1

For HELP & Emergency assistance
To Report an Emergency

Phone Call

- ✦ For assistance
- ✦ To ALERT others
- ✦ To report an incident
- ✦ Connect with family & friends

Text

Send & Receive

- ✦ Sometimes will send, even when no signal to make a call

e-mail

Send & Receive

- ✦ Messages
- ✦ Information
- ✦ Pictures & files

Files, Pictures & Video Store & Access

- ✦ List of Contacts = huge help
- ✦ Store PDF files, Pictures, Video, even powerpoint, word, excel, and more

Apps

More & more great Applications

- ✦ Alerts
- ✦ Information
- ✦ Location
 - ✦ Where are you
 - ✦ Where to go & how to get there

Internet

The WORLD at your fingertips

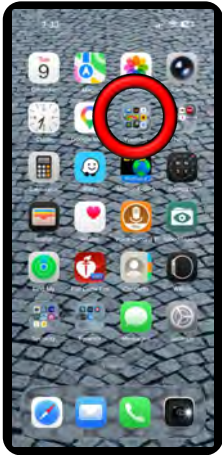
- ✦ Obtain all kinds of information
- ✦ News: Status of the emergency
- ✦ How-to . . .

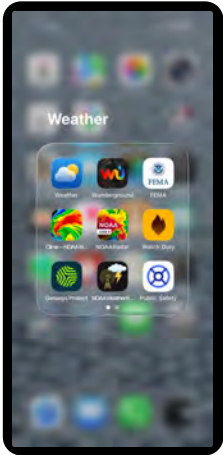


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Smart Phone: Emergency Preparedness Tool







Apps for your smart phone



SCAN

Local Emergency Alerts

- ✦ Reverse 9-1-1
- ✦ Evacuation Notice
- ✦ Map showing location



FEMA

Weather Alerts

- ✦ Information about emergencies
- ✦ Evacuation Notice
- ✦ Shelter Locations



Weather Underground

Weather Alerts

- ✦ Weather map & radar video



Watch Duty

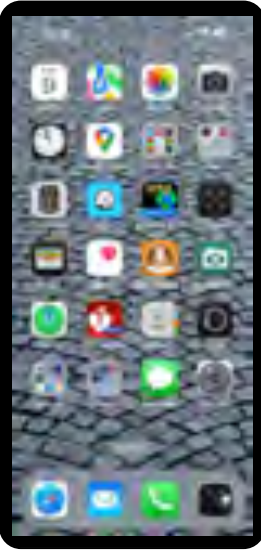
Wildland Fire Alerts

- ✦ Map showing location
- ✦ Information about fire
- ✦ % of containment

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Smart Phone: Emergency Preparedness Tool







NOAA Weather Radio

Listen to NOAA Weather Radio

Regular weather information

Emergency Alerts for your area



Local Radio Stations App

Listen to Local Radio Stations

Any FM radio station that has a live web broadcast

KUPR at 99.9FM is linked to Emergency Alerts for Placitas



Your Insurance Company

Your Insurance Account

Policy information

Submit claim



iOS / Android Weather App

Weather Information

Current weather conditions

Forecasts

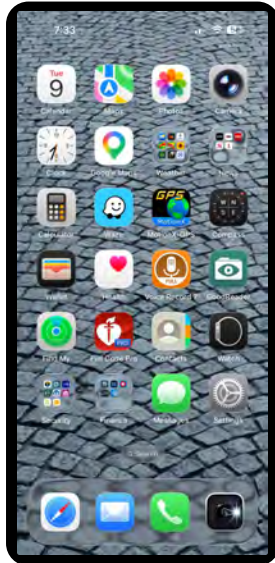
Local and other locations

Apps for your smart phone

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Smart Phone: Emergency Preparedness Tool



Apps for your smart phone



Maps

Location & Directions

Find your current location – report to ...
Get Directions to ...
Find resources nearby



Internet

News & Information

Status of Emergency
News & Video



Camera & Video

Take Pictures & Video

Capture events
Report event to Emergency Services
Post on social media



Compass

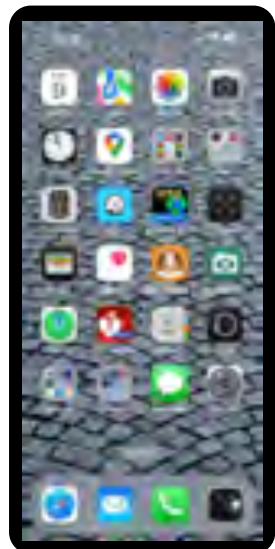
Latitude & Longitude

Report your location
Direction from your location to smoke
Find your way to safety

Most of these are already on your smart phone, this is just a reminder about how valuable they could be in an emergency and an encouragement to learn at least the basics of how to use them BEFORE an emergency happens

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Smart Phone: Emergency Preparedness Tool



Apps for your smart phone



Health

Medical & Rx Info

Information about your personal medical conditions, etc.



CPR

Help you do CPR

Rate for CPR Compressions
More to help with CPR



PDF Reader

PDF File Reader

Organize and transfer PDF files
Store & Access information & maps
Store all kinds of important documents
Print PDF files from phone



Photos

More than memories . . .

Photos to ID family members & pets
Video of house inventory & landscape

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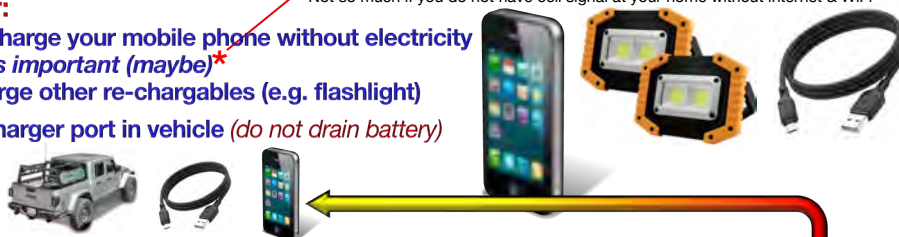
Things you should know . . .



MacGyver:

- ✧ How to charge your mobile phone without electricity
 - *This is important (maybe)*
- ✧ How charge other re-chargables (e.g. flashlight)
 - ✧ **Charger port in vehicle** (*do not drain battery*)

* Not so much if you do not have cell signal at your home without internet & WiFi



- ✧ **Storage Battery** (*keep charged*)

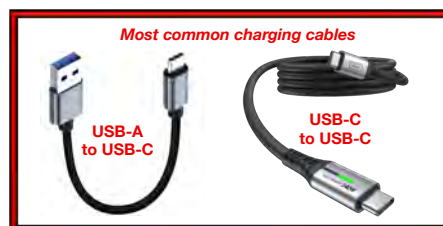
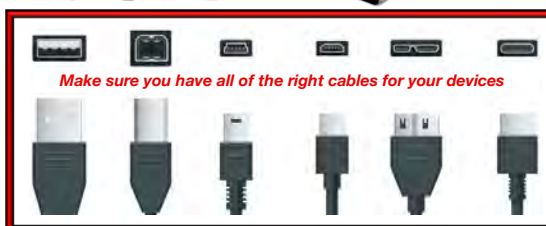


What about Carbon Monoxide?

Don't run your vehicle in a closed garage

USB:

- ✧ Type "A"
- ✧ Type "C"
- ✧ Other
- ✧ A to C
- ✧ C to C



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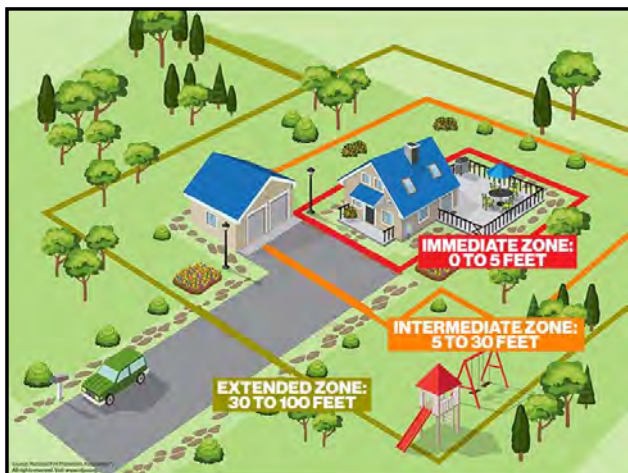
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Fire Mitigation/Defensible Space

* New Term: "Survivable Space" = home can survive a wildfire without any "Defense"



See - "How to Prepare My Home Checklist"

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Fire Mitigation around residential structures:

- Must be accomplished before the wildfire
- Emphasis on the "Immediate Zone"
- Emphasis on eliminating "ladder fuels"
- Must be constantly maintained

HOME PERPAREDNESS

IMMEDIATE ZONE

The home and the area 0-5 feet from the furthest attached exterior point of the home; defined as a non-combustible area. Science tells us this is the most important zone to take immediate action on as it is the most vulnerable to embers.

INTERMEDIATE ZONE

Five to 30 feet from the furthest exterior point of the home. Landscaping/hardscaping - employing careful landscaping or creating breaks that can help influence and decrease fire behavior.

EXTENDED ZONE

Thirty to 100 feet, out to 200 feet. Landscaping - the goal here is not to eliminate fire but to interrupt fire's path and keep flames smaller and on the ground.



Also "Home Hardening"

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Things to consider . . .

Gadgets:

Work light

- Lighting
- USB & Solar charging
- Storage Battery to charge phone and . . .



Jump Starter

- Jump start for vehicle battery
- Flashlight
- Storage Battery to charge phone and . . .



NOAA Weather Radio

- Hand crank
- USB & Solar
- Work light
- Storage battery to charge phone and . . .



Power Source:

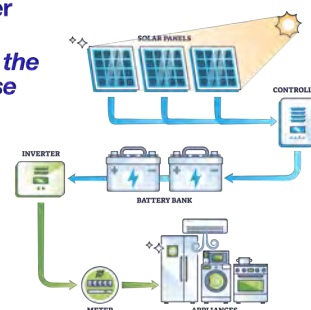
Generator for emergency power

- \$\$\$
- Can power a lot in the house
- Carbon Monoxide !



Solar for power

- \$\$\$
- Can power the whole house



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Things to consider . . .

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Emergency Kit for Your Vehicle:

- ✧ Water
- ✧ All tools you need for:
 - Changing a tire
 - Dealing with a dead battery
- ✧ Work gloves
- ✧ Ice scraper
- ✧ Jump starter &/or jumper cables
- ✧ Flashlight, headlamp
- ✧ Emergency warning lights – *not flares*
 - Reflecting triagle
 - Maybe even a traffic cone
- ✧ Work light
- ✧ Reflective vest/jacket
- ✧ Charging cables for your phone or re-chargable devices
- ✧ Stuff to keep warm
 - Sleeping bag, blanket &/or emergency blanket
 - Rain gear, heavy jacket, warm hat, gloves, extra sox
- ✧ Basic first aid kit
- ✧ Stop-the-bleed kit, especially a tourniquet
- ✧ Clean towels
- ✧ Duct tape

Within easy reach of driver !

- ✧ Seat belt cutter
- ✧ Window breaker tool (*know how to use*)
- ✧ Nitrile gloves
- ✧ Bold marker and paper for making sign(s)
- ✧ Paper and pen/pencil
- ✧ Safety glasses
- ✧ Folding shovel

Know how to use !

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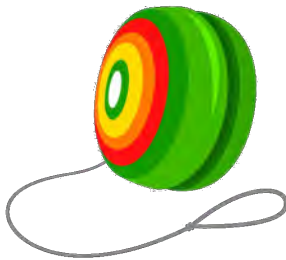
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In the first . . .

Minutes . . .

Hours . . .

Days . . .



Yoyo = **you're on your own**

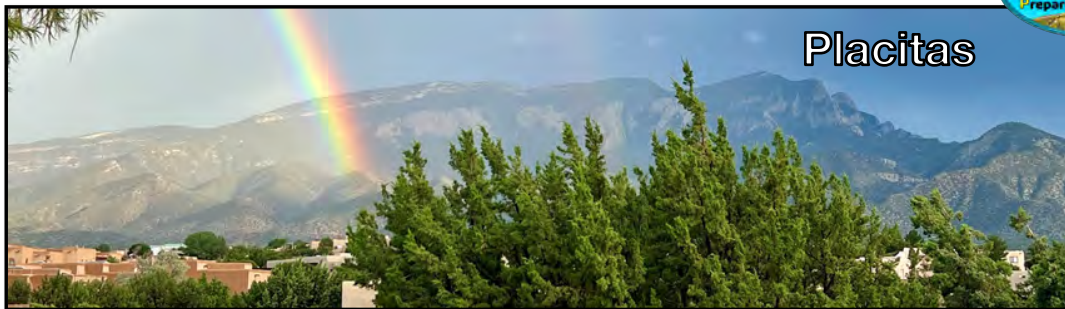


In the first part of a major emergency (Wildland fire, Flood, Earthquake, Gas Leak in a major distribution line, etc.), emergency responders will be spread thin. They may not get to you in the first hours – maybe even days.



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Neighbors-helping-Neighbors



Placitas

Neighbors-helping-Neighbors

Neighborhoods that are prepared for emergencies and disaster situations *save lives, reduce the severity of injuries and trauma and reduce property damage.*

Emergency response personnel are limited in number and may not be able to assist all of those in need immediately following a disaster. *Your most immediate sources of help are the neighbors living around you.*



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Neighbors-helping-Neighbors

What we would like neighbors to do . . .



- ✦ Exchange neighbor contact information
- ✦ Work with neighbors to create a NET back-up plan
- ✦ In an emergency and/or extreme weather:
 - ✦ Check on your neighbors (*just a text might do*)
 - ✦ A closer check on those with special needs
 - ✦ Respond to entrapment, injury, etc.
 - ✦ Confirm that check has been conducted for gas and water leaks
 - ✦ Evacuate (mutual assistance as needed) – OR –
 - ✦ Shelter-in-Place:
 - ✦ Confirm power & heat status
 - ✦ Work with neighbors – Form teams; assign jobs

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Neighbors-helping-Neighbors

NHN starts with Neighbors meeting Neighbors

BLOCK PARTY



Individuals and/or HOAs work together to encourage and support small neighborhood events ? ?



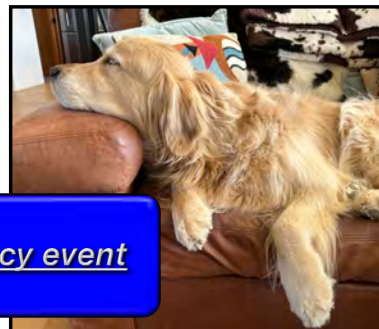
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“Plan B” – have a back-up plan

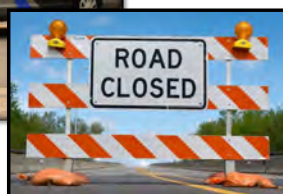


What if you are not home when an evacuation is ordered?

- ❑ If you are not home when the evacuation is ordered,
 - ❖ You will not be able to get back into your neighborhood – the authorities will not allow it . . .
 - ❖ Neither firefighters nor other emergency personnel will likely be deployed to rescue pets or possessions
 - ❖ Coordinating with neighbors *in advance of an emergency* is the only way to provide for timely evacuation of people, pets, and possessions



*Preparedness
in advance of an emergency event
is absolutely essential*



Guidebook for Neighbor Emergency Teams (NETs)

neighbors helping neighbors . . .

“NET” = Neighbor Emergency Team. A specific group of neighbors who agree to provide mutual assistance in emergency situations, specifically including evacuations.

WHY FORM A NET

IN THE EVENT OF AN EMERGENCY, IT IS CRUCIAL TO GET YOURSELVES AND YOUR PETS OUT OF THE AREA AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. The more prepared and organized you are the better. But what if you're not home? Who will save your pets? Will it be possible to save some of your most precious keepsakes?

In other words, if you are not home, your neighbors may be able to evacuate your pets, etc. – if you have organized in advance for this type of emergency.

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New Behaviors . . .



New Behaviors:

- ✧ Get to know your neighbors
- ✧ Gas tank never below 1/2
- ✧ Learn about shelters & locations
- ✧ Water main shut-off
- ✧ Gas / Propane shut-off
- ✧ Know about carbon monoxide (CO)
- ✧ Know how to purify water
- ✧ **Learn CPR (at least the "hands only" version)**
- ✧ Learn "Stop-the-Bleed" techniques
- ✧ Do not drive in flood waters
 - Six Inches can stall vehicle
 - ~ One foot can float a vehicle
 - Roadway may be weakened/unstable
- ✧ If a power line falls on your car:
 - You are at risk of electrical shock
 - Stay inside until a trained person removes the wire



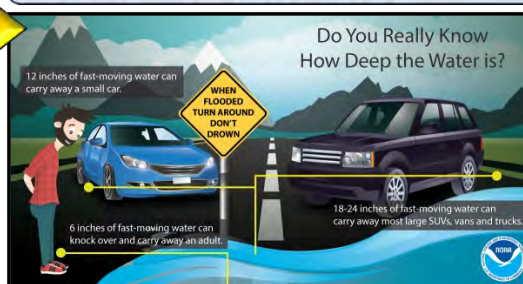
CPR (hands-only)

Check	Call	Compressions

Three Steps to take in a cardiac emergency

1. **Check** for signs of life – shake & shout; look for chest rise
2. **Call** 9-1-1; use speaker phone
3. **Compressions:** hard & fast in the center of the chest

CHECK scene for danger. Try to get the person to respond.
If unresponsive: (no response; no chest rise); Have someone **CALL** 9-1-1; get an AED.
COMPRESSIONS: Press down in the center of the chest (1/3 chest depth).
Pump hard and fast – 100/minute – allow chest to recoil.



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When it's over . . .



Shelter-in-Place ↓ Evacuation

**Shelter in Place can turn into EVACUATION.
So, be prepared to evacuate as well.**



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Evacuation Checklist:

- ✦ Top-off your "Go Bag" and get it in the car
- ✦ Ensure you have the "over-night" kit for your pets
- ✦ Test your source for information about the emergency as it is happening
- ✦ Coordinate with your neighbors about assistance you/they might need in an emergency (mobility issues, transportation)
- ✦ Double-check your evacuation route(s)
- ✦ Identify local evacuation centers



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Make sure you have your mobile phone + chargers

Remember to take your medications with you



Preparing your Home for Evacuation

When a wildland fire is threatening, if time allows, here are some of the things that you can do before evacuating the area:

- ✦ Close (not lock) all windows and doors
- ✦ Close drapes or window coverings
- ✦ Leave porch or other lights on in the home
- ✦ Leave doors unlocked to allow firefighters to check homes for any possible fire
- ✦ Leave garage door unlocked (but not open/raised)
- ✦ Disconnect propane tanks from propane grills and put the tank in the garage
- ✦ Remove patio furniture from patio / decks
- ✦ Leave water hoses attached to outside faucets (do not turn faucets on; do not leave sprinklers on; do not leave hoses running)
- ✦ Have a ladder handy for fire fighters for roof access if needed
- ✦ Remove all flammables and combustibles from around the home (remember the broom on the deck and the welcome mats in front of exterior doors)
- ✦ Make water sources such as pools, and cisterns available for firefighters
- ✦ Do not block driveways with vehicles – fire apparatus needs access the driveways
- ✦ Use common sense – Try to do everything possible to protect against an oncoming wildfire

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Go Bag Contents

- ✦ **THE LIST** in the top of the bag *
- ✦ Medications and prescriptions
- ✦ Important documents
 - DIGITIZED if possible!
- ✦ Clothing and personal toiletries
- ✦ Bedding (sleeping bags, pillows)
- ✦ Prescription eyewear
- ✦ Computers with chargers
- ✦ Mobile phones with chargers
- ✦ Family photos
- ✦ Cash, credit cards, etc.
- ✦ First aid kit
- ✦ Multi-tool, can opener
- ✦ Flashlight & extra batteries
- ✦ Radio (battery powered & batteries)
- ✦ Bottled water & snacks
- ✦ N-95 masks
- ✦ Special equipment for special needs / elderly
- ✦ Toys & supplies for children
- ✦ Supplies for pets (food, leash, crate, etc.)

Go Bag should be easily accessible and filled with items needed to help you quickly and safely evacuate your home. When a wildland fire is approaching, you may only have enough time to retrieve this bag . . .

- ✦ Prescriptions & Rx for eyewear
- ✦ Birth & marriage certificates
- ✦ Pictures of pet(s) for ID purpose
- ✦ Passports
- ✦ Drivers license & personal ID
- ✦ Social security cards
- ✦ Insurance policies (home, auto, life +)
- ✦ Recent tax returns
- ✦ Employment information
- ✦ Wills & deeds
- ✦ Stocks, bonds, & other negotiable instruments
- ✦ Financial information (bank, savings, retirement account numbers, etc.)
- ✦ Home inventory (list/photos/video)
- ✦ Contact information for family, friends & physicians

* Things that you take with you and your Go-Bag at the last minute:

- ✦ High value items
- ✦ Keepsakes & Heirlooms
- ✦ Valuable collectables
- ✦ Cherished, irreplaceable items
- ✦ Artwork

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Review, re-evaluate and up-date your list of Go-Bag Contents on an annual basis.



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Questions



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Join us . . .

Join the PREP Team



Emergency Preparedness *is important !*

. . . for you and your family and for the community as a whole – and if the community is better prepared for emergencies and is more resilient – that helps you too!



Needs Include:

- ❖ Social Media
- ❖ Project Management
- ❖ Outreach
- ❖ Grant Writing
- ❖ Website Content

Ground-truthing trails in the Buffalo Tract . . .



We need volunteers →

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