



Safety Tips: Making a Plan

You want to be ready for a hurricane, a flood or a fire. Get organized and make a plan to help you get through the emergency.

Know who can help you

- Think of 3 people you trust to help you in an emergency.
- Look for community support services, such as local emergency response programs, shelters, or community centers.
- Tell your trusted people where you keep your emergency kit.
- Give someone you trust a key or access code to your home.
- If you can, think of someone who lives outside your area. They may not have the same emergency.

Include these in your emergency plan

- where to find your fire extinguisher, water valve, electrical box, gas shut-off and floor drain.
- contact information for friends, family, local emergency services, shelters, community centers, or support organizations.
- where your pets can stay if you need to leave your home
- medications, medical equipment, or other health needs
- contact information and instructions for your trusted people

If you rent or share space, ask your landlord or property manager for information about the property.

Keep copies of your plan in your emergency kit, at home, in your car, and at work.