

# BE PREPARED FOR EMERGENCIES



## MAKE A KIT

- 3 Day Supply of Water (3 Gallons per person)
- Non-Perishable Food
- Battery-Operated Radio
- Flashlight & Batteries
- First Aid Kit
- Maps
- Prescriptions/Medications
- Personal Toiletries
- Can Opener/Utensils
- Infant Care Needs
- Pet Care Needs
- Special Need Items
- Cash
- Important Documents



## HAVE A PLAN

- Meet with Your Family Members to Discuss Plans
- Identify Responsibilities for Each Member
- Select 2 Meeting Places:
  1. Outside Your Home
  2. Outside Your Neighborhood
- Have an Out-of-Area Phone Contact
- Pets: Know a Pet-Friendly Hotel/Shelter
- **PRACTICE YOUR PLAN!**

**EMERGENCY**  
DIAL **9-1-1** DIAL

LOCAL POLICE

FIRE DEPARTMENT

## BE INFORMED

- Know What Disasters Might Occur in your Area
- **GET TRAINING**
  - CPR
  - First Aid
- Sign up for Nextdoor 
- **VOLUNTEER**  
Join Citizen Corps



For More Information: [ready.nj.gov](http://ready.nj.gov)

## WHAT CAN I DO TO GET READY?

- ✓ **Assemble a Go Bag** with your ID, important papers, medication in labeled containers, and important contact information (cell phones may not work in a disaster). Keep your go bag updated.
- ✓ **Make a Household Plan** by going to [www.ready.gov](http://www.ready.gov) for checklists and preparedness guides. Your plan should identify evacuation routes and places to stay.
- ✓ **Make Plans for Your Pets** before an emergency and ask your local emergency manager about pet sheltering. A service animal with a current rabies vaccination will be permitted in shelters. For more tips, visit: <https://animalemergency.nj.gov>
- ✓ **Register with the Public Alert Systems** in your community (e.g. Reverse 911, Swift911, NJ 2-1-1, Nixle) through your county or local Emergency Management Office. Text "ReadyNJ" to 898-211 to get text alerts on how to prepare for emergencies and stay informed during the next disaster.
- ✓ **Inform your electric utility provider** If you have medical equipment that requires power.
- ✓ **Visit [ready.nj.gov](http://ready.nj.gov)** today to better prepare for local disasters.



***The first step in emergency preparedness for individuals who may need assistance in a disaster.***



***Register today—  
be ready for tomorrow!***

[www.registerready.nj.gov](http://www.registerready.nj.gov)

***Stay tuned to local news, radio  
or television stations for timely  
disaster information.***

*Effective 10/8/19*

## WHAT IS REGISTER READY?

Register Ready is a free, secure, voluntary database designed to help emergency managers and first responders plan for and support people with disabilities and access and functional needs (DAFN) who may need assistance in the event of a disaster.

You (or someone on your behalf) are encouraged to register if you have a physical, developmental, cognitive or behavioral impairment, language barrier, or transportation challenge that may make it difficult for you to safely shelter in place or evacuate in a disaster.



### Register Ready is:

- ⇒ Free
- ⇒ Voluntary
- ⇒ Secure and confidential
- ⇒ Protective of your privacy
- ⇒ Used by emergency managers to plan for DAFN concerns

## WHO SHOULD REGISTER?

Permanent and seasonal NJ residents with DAFN who may need help evacuating, sheltering in place or at a public shelter, or requiring emergency assistance should register. Individuals with a temporary disability, such as high-risk pregnancy or other serious medical condition, should register.



***Don't delay,  
register today!!***

## HOW CAN I REGISTER?

- ◇ Go to: [www.registerready.nj.gov](http://www.registerready.nj.gov)
- ◇ Telephone 2-1-1 (within NJ), or 877-652-1148 toll free (TTY/TDD and translation services available)
- ◇ Contact your County Office of Emergency Management
- ◇ Contact your local Center for Independent Living

***Update your  
information at  
least annually.***



## WHO SEES MY INFORMATION?

Register Ready complies with all laws to protect your privacy and personal data. The emergency management community, which includes public health officials and first responders, has access to Register Ready for planning and coordination.



## HOW IS MY DATA USED?

Communities use Register Ready in a variety of ways. Emergency managers and trusted personnel may use the information to plan, send public messaging, assist with evacuation, and support sheltering and post-disaster recovery. After registering, contact your local Office of Emergency Management to learn how staff utilizes Register Ready and what you can do to enhance your own preparedness.

***In a life threatening situation,  
don't wait for help — call 9-1-1.***



# Disaster Preparedness – Be Prepared and Ready



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# NJ Office of Emergency Management



- NJ State Police Coordinates – Colonel Pat Callahan
- All Hazards Planning and development of State Emergency Operations Plan (SEOP)
- All phases of Emergency Management (Preparedness/ Mitigation/ Response/Recovery)
- “Whole Community” Approach
- SEOP broken up into Emergency Support Functions (ESF’s)

# Emergency Support Functions



1. Transportation
2. Communications
3. Public Works
4. Firefighting
5. Emergency Management
6. **MASS CARE**
7. Resource Management
8. Public Health, Medical Services

9. Search & Rescue
10. Haz-Mat Response
11. Agriculture Resources
12. Energy
13. Public Safety & Security
14. Long Term Recovery
15. External Communications

# NJ ESF#6



- NJDHS responsible for coordination of ESF#6 Mass Care/Emergency Assistance
- Sheltering/Feeding/Reunification/Dist. of Emergency Supplies/Human Services
- Family Assistance Center, Repatriation, Disaster Housing, DAFN
- 4C's + 4P's = RELATIONSHIPS

# Mass Care Resources/Logistics





# What is an Emergency to YOU?



- Emergencies can happen at any time
- Natural
- Purposeful
- Technical
- Health Related
- Others



# Impacts to YOU



- Loss of Power
- Heating/Cooling
- Cooking
- Personal Care Assistant
- Transportation
- Cash



# Prepare – Make a Plan, Kit, Stay informed



- Plan NOW
- What are YOUR needs
- Who are your family/friends
- Know support agencies in your area
- Register Ready
- Build a support network

# Planning



- Daily Living – where do you need to go
- Special Dietary Needs
- Medical Needs
- Personal Care Assistant
- Communication Dependent Device
- Durable Medical Equipment
- Water
- Meals



# Planning



- Sheltering in Place/Evacuation
- Do you have supplies at home
- Power Outage (Heating/Cooling)
- How will you Evacuate
- Family/Friends/Agencies to assist
- Bring a GO-KIT with needed items

# Disaster Supply Kit



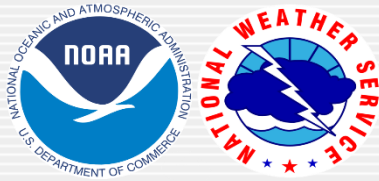
- What do YOU need?
- What's needed to support your specific disability
- Start now to put your personal kit together
- Basics  
(water/food/flashlight/batteries/medicines/eye-glasses/personal items/etc)
- Use Retailers (On-line/Big Box/Dollar stores)
- At least 3 days of supplies



# Stay Connected/Informed



FEMA



New Jersey



American Red Cross





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- [www.ready.nj.gov](http://www.ready.nj.gov)
- [www.ready.gov](http://www.ready.gov)
- [www.redcross.org](http://www.redcross.org)
- Social Media – NJOEM (Facebook – ReadyNewJersey/Twitter – ReadyNJ)
- [www.weather.gov](http://www.weather.gov)
- [www.nhc.noaa.gov](http://www.nhc.noaa.gov)
- [www.nj211.org](http://www.nj211.org)
- [www.registerready.nj.gov](http://www.registerready.nj.gov)

# SUMMARY



- Be aware of the types of emergencies that could happen in your area
- Know your specific needs
- Work with family/friends/agencies to create a support network
- Be Prepared/ Make a Plan/Have a Kit/Stay connected & informed
- Preparedness Starts with YOU – BE SAFE!

# THANK YOU!!!



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