Now is the Time to Prepare For All of Florida’s Weather!

Preparing for severe weather is the theme of **SEVERE WEATHER AWARENESS WEEK**. Preparedness plans come in all sizes, as dictated by individual and collective needs.

Do you know the basic safety rules?
Would your children know what to do if they were home alone?
Do you have plans in place to move elders or people with disabilities to shelter quickly?

Being Ready for An Emergency is As Easy As...
# MAKE A PLAN

Think ahead and create a family emergency plan.

Plan how you will get together in different situations.

Discuss what to do if you must evacuate.

Practice your plans with your family.

Have a contact list.

If phones are down, pick two meeting places:

1. Near your home
2. Somewhere outside the neighborhood

Test smoke/carbon monoxide detectors monthly.

Learn how to turn off gas, electric, water and heater systems at main breaker switches.

Learn First-Aid and CPR.

Discuss basic safety rules.

Make sure children know what to do if they are home alone.

Plan for elders or disabled family members and neighbors.

Include pets in your family emergency plan.

# BE INFORMED

Learn about the different threats:

- Severe Weather
- Fire
- Hazardous Materials (biological, chemical, explosive or radiological)
- Nuclear

Discuss the different hazards with your family.

Monitor TV, radio or trusted Internet sites for information.

Stay calm, have plans ready, and listen for instructions from local officials.

If you have questions, call your county emergency management office.


# GET READY TODAY!

[Image of emergency supplies]

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