

TIPS

- Conserve anything with batteries – place a piece of paper between the batteries to prevent discharge.
- If you have a grill, keep fuel on hand to heat food/boil water – DO NOT USE IN AN ENCLOSED SPACE.
- If you have a generator, test and maintain it regularly.
- Maintain vehicles, including at least 1/2 of a tank of fuel.

Create a “Go Folder” that you can grab as you leave containing:

- Medical History / List of Current Medications (for you, your family and your pets)
- Dr / Veterinary information
- Contact information for Family Members

Copies of:

- Driver’s License
- Auto / Home Insurance / Titles
- Passport
- Social Security Card
- Bank Account Numbers
- Recent Pictures of family



LINKS

For more information or to volunteer :



FEMA – www.ready.gov



TEMA – www.tn.gov/tema



American Red Cross - www.redcross.org



National Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster
www.nvoad.org



Contact your local EMA office via email:
KNOXEOC@Knoxvilletn.gov



WHEN DISASTER “KNOX,” ARE YOU READY?

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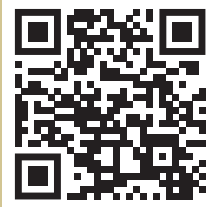
BE PREPARED

This guide will help you think through the basics of preparing yourself and your family for all hazards.

Anticipate emergencies most likely to affect you and your family.

Go to knoxcounty.org/alert or scan the code below with your smartphone and sign up for emergency alerts:

Knox County Emergency Notification System



MAKE A PLAN

Write it down and share with family / friends. You and your family members may not be together when an emergency strikes. Planning ahead will improve your chances of keeping in touch, staying safe, and quickly reuniting.

Monitor local media sources for situation updates leading up to and after an emergency.

- Should you shelter-in-place or evacuate? (remember this depends on the situation)
- How will you reunite with your family members if separated?
- What is the family meeting place near your home and what is the meeting place away from your neighborhood?
- What important documents may be needed?
- If you have school age children:
 - How will the school communicate with families?
 - Where will you be reunited with your children in the event of a school emergency?

GET A KIT

Assemble basic kit that can sustain you and your family until the situation resolves or help arrives.

Plan for 3 days and make sure it will all fit in a medium / large backpack or a plastic tote.

Suggested Kit Supplies:

- Water – 1 gallon per person per day
- Food – Nonperishable, for several days
- Pet food, water and supplies
- Weather radio with extra batteries
- Phone charger or battery
- Sturdy shoes and change of clothes
- Cash (small bills and change)
- Rain gear and coat
- Sleeping bag and a pillow case that you can fill with the spare clothes to use as a pillow.
- First aid kit
- Flashlight with extra batteries
- Duct tape
- Special items, such as prescription medications, eye glasses, contact lens solutions, and hearing aid batteries, mobility devices.
- Sanitation – moist towelettes, toilet paper, and trash bags
- Insect repellent
- Lighter
- Wrench or pliers to turn off utilities

