

SAFETY TALK

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National Preparedness Month

September is National Preparedness Month

Be Ready, Stay Safe! This year's National Preparedness Month theme is Preparedness Starts at Home. We are asking people to take key actions to prepare for any disaster they may face:

- Know the different types of emergencies that could happen and appropriate responses to stay safe. (e.g., natural disasters, power outages).
- Make a family emergency plan.
 - ⇒ Establish meeting points
 - ⇒ Assign responsibilities
 - ⇒ Practice evacuation routes
 - ⇒ Create a communication plan
- Build an emergency supply kit. When the lights go out, will you be ready? Readiness starts at home with these power outage essentials:
 - ⇒ Battery-powered radio
 - ⇒ Flashlights and extra batteries
 - ⇒ Portable charger for phones
 - ⇒ Non-perishable foods and water
- #DYK: Many emergency rooms see surges in preventable injuries after disasters? Readiness starts with a well-stocked first aid kit and basic medical training.
- Battery Check Day! Replace smoke detectors, check flashlights, rotate portable chargers. Small actions = BIG preparedness
- Your furry family members need their own emergency kits. Readiness starts at home for EVERY member of your household. Include:
 - ⇒ 7-day food and water supply
 - ⇒ Medications and medical records
 - ⇒ First aid supplies
 - ⇒ Collar with a tag, harness, and leash
- What's in your car kit? Readiness starts with you but extends everywhere you go!

If you stay ready, you don't have to get ready!

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Supervisor (please print):	
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Employee Participants: **Please Print Clearly**	Signature

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Please share the safety talk, for the noted month, with your employees and sign off on this form. All others should read for themselves. Completed forms shall be kept on file by the department.