

The Red Cross Recommends:

Prepare a Disaster Supplies Kit

Assemble supplies you might need in an evacuation. Store them in an easy-to-carry container such as a backpack or duffle bag.

Include:

- A supply of water (one gallon per person per day). Store water in sealed, unbreakable containers. Identify the storage date and replace every six months.
- A supply of non-perishable packaged or canned food and a non-electric can opener.
- A change of clothing, rain gear and sturdy shoes. An extra pair of glasses.
- Blankets or sleeping bags.
- A first aid kit and prescription medications.
- A battery-powered radio, flashlight and plenty of extra batteries.
- Credit cards and cash. An extra set of car keys.
- A list of family physicians.
- A list of important family information; the style and serial number of medical devices such as pacemakers.
- Special items for infants, elderly or disabled family members.

If you need to evacuate:

- Wear protective clothing and sturdy shoes.
- Take your Disaster Supplies Kit.
- Lock your house.
- Use travel routes specified by local officials.
- Make arrangements for pets. Animals may not be allowed in public shelters.
- Let others know when you left and where you are going.