

# Emergency Preparedness

## What's the Plan?

### What is Emergency Preparedness?

Steps you take to make sure you are safe before, during, and after an emergency or natural disaster

#### Emergencies that Californians may face:

Earthquake • High Winds/Power Outage • Pandemic/ Epidemic  
Heat Wave • Landslide • Wildfire/Severe Smoke • Tsunami • Flooding  
Winter Storm • Acts of Terrorism • House Fire



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## Steps of Emergency Management

### Prevention (Avoid a Problem)



#### Evacuation plans

- Group living
- Living with family or independently
- Trainings on how to lead people to safety

Regional center Emergency Coordinators work with counties on Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) and Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMP).

### Mitigation (Reduce the Chances)



- Reduce the chance of an emergency happening, or reduce the damaging effects of unavoidable emergencies
- Change the environment to make a disaster less bad, like clearing trees away from a house

### Preparedness (Get Ready)



- Get informed by visiting local law enforcement stations and fire departments
- Make a kit of essential items
- Create your own emergency evacuation plan
- Practice your evacuation plan

### Response (Right After Emergency)



- Coordinate resources to make people and homes safe
- Remove hazards from the area
- Watch for Everbridge alerts

### Recovery (Return to Normal)



- Start with food, clean water, power, transportation, and health care
- Full recovery takes time