

PREPAREDNESS TIPS

GET READY GORGE



Hood River County
Sheriff's Office
**EMERGENCY
MANAGEMENT**

Enjoy The Summer | Stay Safe

SEPTEMBER IS NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS MONTH • GET READY!

Get a Kit –

Make a family emergency plan –
What's on your evacuation list?

EMERGENCY SUPPLIES

- Build a Go-Kit. Start with your camping or travel box
- Stock up – 3 days to 3 weeks' worth of food and emergency supplies.
- Use the Go-Kit checklist here: <https://bit.ly/2ttnXob>
- Have a Go-Kit in your car year 'round

COMMUNICATIONS

- Cellular networks can be a problem in a disaster. Text may be more reliable than calls
- Business point of sale systems are also reliant on cellular - i.e. Square
- Have a backup communication plan that doesn't rely on cell or internet
- Opt-in to Hood River County Citizen Alerts:
www.HoodRiverSheriff.com/events/emergency-alerts

FAMILY EMERGENCY PLANS

- Think about your family evacuation plans – an out of state contact you all call to check in; safe meeting places; how you would reconnect if separated.
- Practice it – talk through as a family over dinner.

WILDFIRE PREVENTION AND RESPONSE

- During a wildfire, there are three levels of evacuation:
 - Level 1 – Ready: Pack your valuables.
 - Level 2 – Set: Monitor the news reports.
 - Level 3 – Go: An official notice from the sheriff's office or fire agency to evacuate.
- Know fire risks and respect fire restrictions, such as campfire bans.
- Don't hesitate- evacuate. Prepare to go early. Then you'll have more time to help your neighbors.

EVACUATION

- Think about where you'd go, and how you'd get there if roads are full or closed.
- A trailer or motorhome is a great evacuation home base.
- Animals and livestock smell fire long before you do. Act early to get them into a smaller place, where you can more easily load them into trailers or crates later for evacuation.
- Make an evacuation list of the top 5 things you'd take if you had to leave in 5 minutes.

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