# Make a Kit

Assemble a 3-day emergency supply kit to see you through until assistance arrives.

- ☐ 3-day supply of water (1 gallon per person per day) and nonperishable food
- ☐ Battery-powered or hand crank radio and a
  National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
  (NOAA) Weather Radio with tone alert
- ☐ Flashlight and extra batteries
- ☐ Sanitation and hygiene items (moist towelettes, garbage bags, toilet paper)
- ☐ Whistle to call attention
- ☐ Dust mask to help filter contaminated air, and plastic sheeting and duct tape to shelter in place
- ☐ Manual can opener for food
- ☐ Cash and change
- ☐ Wrench or pliers to turn off utilities
- ☐ First aid kit
- ☐ Local maps
- ☐ Cell phone with chargers and backup battery



# Have a Plan

- Meet with family members to discuss plans.
- Identify responsibilities for each member.
- Select two meeting places:
  - 1. Outside your home
  - 2. Outside your neighborhood
- Have an out-of-area phone contact.
- Know a pet-friendly hotel/shelter.
- Practice your plan.

## **Be** Informed

Once your supplies are put together, you must maintain them so they are safe to use if needed.

- ☐ Know what disasters might occur in your area, such as:
  - Floods.
  - Hurricanes.
  - Bioterrorism.
  - Hazardous materials (hazmat) incidents.
  - Fire.
- ☐ Get training in:
  - CPR.
  - First aid.
- ☐ Sign up for your state's, county's or city's alert system.
- ☐ Volunteer by joining the Medical Reserve Corps. For more information, visit:

www.nj.gov/health/lh/njmrc



Join the Medical Reserve Corps to help you and your community during a public health emergency.

Take note of where you stored your kits so you can grab what you need at a moment's notice.

EMERGENCY SUPPLY KIT:
FIRST AID KIT:
DOCUMENT HOLDER:
GO-BAG:



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# ARE YOU PREPARED? FAMILY EMERGENCY CHECKLISTS



Start building your emergency supply kits now to prepare your family for life's unexpected emergencies.

For more information on planning for disaster, visit: www.ready.gov

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# What Foods Should You Include?

- ☐ Canned foods, such as meats, fish, fruits, vegetables and soups
- ☐ Other nonperishables including crackers, cereal, peanut butter, energy bars and juice boxes
- ☐ Plenty of bottled water: at least 1 gallon per person per day

# **First Aid Kits**

Put together a first aid kit for your home and one for each car.

- ☐ Various shapes and sizes of adhesive bandages, dressings and gauze pads
- ☐ Rolls of 3" cohesive bandage and 2" adhesive tape
- Hand sanitizer
- ☐ Sterile gloves (i.e., latex gloves)
- ☐ Cold pack
- ☐ Cotton balls
- ☐ Sunscreen
- ☐ First aid manual

- ☐ Cleansing agent (soap) and antibiotic wipes
- ☐ Antibiotic and burn ointments
- ☐ CPR breathing barrier
- ☐ Scissors, needles, tweezers and safety pins
- □ Thermometer
- ☐ Aspirin and nonaspirin pain relievers
- ☐ Anti-diarrheal medication, antacids and laxatives

# Kits for Those With Access and Functional Needs

- ☐ Wheelchairs, canes, walkers or other mobility devices
- □ Oxygen
- ☐ Extra hearing-aid batteries
- ☐ TTY
- ☐ Pen and paper in case you have to communicate with someone who does not know sign language



### REMEMBER

Medications and food need to be rotated out of your emergency kit – otherwise they may go bad or become ineffective.

# **Essential Documents**

Keep your essential documents with your at-home emergency kit and copies in your go-bag.

- ☐ Copies of:
  - Passports
  - Drivers' licenses or other ID
  - Insurance policies
  - Credit cards
  - Social Security cards
- Medications
  list, medical
  records (including
  immunization)
  and the dose of
  medication you
  and all family
  members take

- ☐ Bank account records
- ☐ Cash
- ☐ Family emergency plan
- Key contacts list with important phone numbers
- ☐ Wills and marriage certificate





# **Don't Forget About Your Pets!**

Make a go-bag that includes enough food and water for 3 days. Have an extra set of your pet's must-haves (leash, muzzle, pet carrier, medication, kitty litter and scoop, vaccination record, current photo of your pet and toys) packed and ready in case you must evacuate.

Pet-friendly shelters typically are located within the same area or facility as human emergency shelters. Know where pet-friendly shelters are located.

### **During an emergency:**

- Place your pets inside a crate or carrier.
- Have your and your pet's go-bags ready to go.
- Always take your pet with you.



# **Items for Children**

- ☐ A favorite stuffed animal or blanket
- ☐ Pictures of family members and pets
- □ MP3 player/portable DVD player/tablet
- ☐ Books, games, puzzles or other fun things to do
- Crayons, pencils or markers and paper, scissors and glue

# **Infant Supplies**

- ☐ Infant formula and bottled distilled water
- ☐ Baby food and baby spoon/dish/bibs
- Clean bottles and nipples
- □ Disposable diapers
- □ Disposable wipes
- ☐ Diaper rash ointment
- ☐ Resealable plastic bags
- □ Extra clothes
- ☐ 2-3 receiving blankets
- Copies of medical and immunization records

- Medication not requiring refrigeration, such as infant Tylenol, Advil and Benadryl
- ☐ Toys (rattles, teethers)
- ☐ 2 pacifiers
- ☐ Baby lotion, wash and sunscreen
- ☐ Rectal thermometer and lubricant
- ☐ 2 Mylar blankets (they retain heat)

