

FEMA Ready Campaign Urges Preparedness in 2022

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WASHINGTON -- FEMA and its Ready Campaign urges everyone to add a New Year's resolution to your list that includes at least one proactive way to keep you and your family safe from disasters and emergencies.

"We continue to see an increasing trend in communities having to confront disasters outside of traditional seasons, while also combatting complex threats posed by the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic," said FEMA Administrator Deanne Criswell. "Each of us has an important role in keeping ourselves, our families and our communities safe from these threats, and that starts with individual preparedness. Through our annual 'Resolve to be Ready' campaign, we are encouraging everyone to include disaster preparedness initiatives into you and your family's personal resolutions for 2022."

Here are some things everyone can do:

- Have several ways to receive weather and emergency alerts. [Download the FEMA app](#) and receive real-time alerts from the National Weather Service for up to five locations nationwide. Sign up for community alerts in your area.
- Build an [emergency supply kit](#) with supplies that last for several days for each member of your household. If you live in Hawai'i, Puerto Rico or the U.S. Virgin Islands, consider having supplies to last at least 10 days.
- Make an [emergency communications plan](#) to make sure everyone in your household knows and understands what to do and where you will meet if you get separated. [Learn your evacuation routes](#), practice with household members, including your [pets](#) and identify where you will go.
- Ensure that you and your family are vaccinated against COVID-19 helps your entire community be more resilient before future disasters. COVID-19 vaccines are effective at preventing COVID-19 disease, especially severe illness and death. Vaccines are widely accessible in the U.S. Visit [vaccines.gov](#) to find a location and make an appointment. Or text your zip code to 438829 and get a text with the closest COVID-19 vaccine location.

Being resilient after a disaster or emergency requires the cooperation, collaboration and shared responsibility of everyone in our community, across all



levels of government, the private sector and faith-based organizations to you, individuals and families.

The Ready Campaign has more information and resources online for [individuals](#), [individuals with disabilities](#), [families](#), [kids](#), [pets](#) and small [businesses](#). To learn more, visit: [Ready.gov](#) (for English) or [Listo.gov](#) (for Spanish).

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