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Disasters Don't Plan Ahead. YOU CAN.

We should all take action to prepare! We are all able to help first responders in our community by training how to respond during an emergency and what to do when disaster strikes where we live, work, and visit.



## 1. MAKE A PLAN FOR YOURSELF, FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Plan for emergencies that could affect us, sign up for alerts and warnings in our area, have an evacuation plan and a place to go and make sure you have adequate insurance coverage.

## 2. PLAN TO HELP YOUR NEIGHBOR AND COMMUNITY

Almost half of Americans expect to rely on their neighbors after a disaster.

Learn skills you need to help yourself and others until help can arrive and check in on your neighbors.

Knowing how to shut off utilities like gas, water, & electricity is key after a disaster. If you don't know where the shut-off valves for water/gas/electricity are, call your utility company and ask someone to show you.

## 3. PRACTICE AND BUILD OUT YOUR PLANS

Practice your emergency plan by participating in an emergency drill. Learn how to access community

resources (e.g., shelters, food banks)

## 4. GET INVOLVED! BE A PART OF **SOMETHING LARGER**

Get involved and share preparedness info in your community, faith-based organization & business. Learn CPR and First Aid. Volunteer with the Red Cross, Racine Fire Bells or other community group that helps out during emergencies.





