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Purpose

The National Guard (NG) Emergency Management (EM) program is responsible for all activities and operations related to preparing for, mitigating the potential effect of, preventing, responding to, and recovering from all multi-agency and/or multi-jurisdictional emergencies on or impacting NG installations nationwide. The NG EM Program functions within an all-hazards environment consisting of all natural, technological (man-made), and terroristic hazards.

Vision

To provide the NG EM services when and where they are needed with the joint and interagency capacity necessary to effectively and efficiently protect the NG community and mission capabilities from all hazards.

Mission

To provide integrated and comprehensive NG EM services necessary to protect our community and mission capabilities from all hazards in a cost effective, implementable, and sustainable manner through resiliency.

LANG EM WEB PAGE:

<http://geauxguard.la.gov/resources/emergency-management/>



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National Poison Control Center
1-800-222-1222

National Domestic Violence Hotline
1-800-799-7233



EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

National Preparedness Month (NPM), recognized each September to promote Family and community disaster and emergency planning now and throughout the year.

Preparing for disasters is protecting everyone you love.

Take time to learn lifesaving skills – such as CPR and first aid, check your insurance policies and coverage for the hazards you may face, such as flood, earthquakes, and tornados. Make sure to consider the costs associated with disasters and save for an emergency. The devastating hurricanes and wildfires of 2023 reminded the nation of the importance of preparing for disasters. Often, we will be the first ones in our communities to take action after a disaster strikes and before first responders arrive, so it is important to prepare in advance to help yourself and your community. The best time to prepare is before the event happens. Always Remember, “Be Prepared”.



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Help those who has helped you and your family.**



**WEEK
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Week 1: September 01-07

MAKE A PLAN

Talk to your friends and family about how you will communicate before, during, and after a disaster.

- Step 1: Put a plan together by discussing the questions below with your family, friends or household to start your emergency plan.
 - How will I receive emergency alerts and warnings?
 - What is my shelter plan?
 - What is my evacuation route?
 - What is my family/household/neighbor's communication plan?
- Step 2: Consider specific needs in your household.
- Step 3: Fill out a Family Emergency Plan.
- Step 4: Practice your plan with your family/household.



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Week 2: September 08-14

BUILD A KIT

Gather supplies that will last for several days after a disaster for everyone living in your home. Don't forget to consider the unique needs of each person or pet you may have in case you have to evacuate quickly.

- ☑ Basic Disaster Supplies and Additional Emergency Supply checklists are available on the Preparedness websites below.
- ☑ Maintain Your Kit (Store boxed food in cool, dry place in tightly closed plastic or metal containers. Replace expired items as needed.)
- ☑ Since you do not know where you will be when an emergency occurs, prepare supplies for home, work and cars.
- ☑ CDC recommends including items such as soap, hand sanitizer, disinfecting wipes to disinfect surfaces.
- ☑ Med



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Week 3: September 15-21 PREPARE FOR DISASTERS

Limit the impacts that disasters have on you and your family. Know the risk of disasters in your area and check your insurance coverage. Learn how to make your home stronger in the face of storms and other common hazards and act fast if you receive a local warning or alert.

- ☑ Know what disasters and hazards could affect your area, how to get emergency alerts, and where you would go if you and your family need to evacuate.
- ☑ Check you local Parish or City Office of Emergency Management website for specific threats in your area.
- ☑ Hurricanes are dangerous and can cause major damage because of storm surge, wind damage, and flooding. Storm surge is historically the leading cause of hurricane-related deaths in the United States.



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WEEK 4

Week 4: September 22-28

PREPARING PETS

We need to remind pet owners to always include their furry friends in their emergency plans and preparedness preparation. Pets are important members of our family, so ensure you have the things they will need to be safe and healthy during an emergency.

- ☑ Include your pets in your emergency plans.
- ☑ Build a separate emergency kit for your pets.
- ☑ Make sure and keep digital records and/or pictures to identify your pet after a disaster in case you become separated.
- ☑ Create a list of places that accept pets if an emergency happens.



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