Emergency Preparedness

Whether it's a wildfire in Northern Arizona or flash flooding in Phoenix, every Arizonan needs to be prepared.

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Emergency preparedness starts with a commitment from families, schools and businesses and entire communities to take three simple steps—Prepare a Plan, Make a Kit, and Be Informed.

These three steps can help reduce the impact of an emergency on you, your property and your community.

PREPARE A PLAN

Write and rehearse family communication and preparedness plans that identify a family meeting place, account for special needs, and include local emergency numbers and an "out-of-town" contact.

MAKE A KIT

Gather enough non-perishable food and clean water to sustain you and your family for at least three days. Other suggested kit items include first aid supplies, a flashlight, a weather radio and batteries.

BE INFORMED

Learn about the threats in your community and contact your local emergency management office to learn more about readiness planning. Visit and bookmark www.azein.gov for real-time emergency updates and preparedness information.

Information

To view flood maps or to obtain local flood information, contact the county flood control district in your area.

Apache County: (928) 337-4364
http://www.co.apache.az.us/

Cochise County: (520) 432-9300
http://cochise.az.gov/

Coconino County: (928) 774-5011
http://www.coconino.az.gov/

Gila County: (928) 425-3231 ext. 8509
http://www.gilacountyaz.gov/

Graham County: (928) 428-0410
http://www.graham.az.gov/

Greenlee County: (928) 865-2310
http://www.co.greenlee.az.us/

La Paz County: (928) 669-6115
htpp://www.co.la-paz.az.us/

Maricopa County: (602) 506-1501
http://fcd.maricopa.gov/

Mohave County: (928) 753-9141
http://www.co.mohave.az.us/

Navajo County: (928) 524-4000
http://www.navajocountyaz.gov/

Pima County: (520) 243-1800
http://rfcd.pima.gov/

Pinal County: (520) 509-3555
http://pinalcountyaz.gov/

Santa Cruz County: (520) 375-7830
http://www.co.santa-cruz.az.us

Yavapai County: (928) 771-3214
http://www.co.yavapai.az.us

Yuma County: (928) 373-1010
http://www.co.yuma.az.us

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Manufactured Homes Recreational Vehicles Park Trailers and Floodplains

Manufactured Homes

Manufactured (Mobile) Homes are largely assembled in factories and then transported to a permanent foundation.

Arizona law requires that Manufactured Homes that are placed on site or substantially improved shall:

A. Be elevated so that the bottom of the structural frame or the lowest point of an attached appliance is at or above the regulatory flood elevation (1' above the Base Flood Elevation or higher) AND;
B. Be securely anchored to a foundation to resist flotation, collapse or movement. Methods of anchoring include the use of over-the-top or frame ties to ground anchors.

Don't Be a Flood Victim

- Floods are the most common and destructive natural hazard in Arizona.
- A local Floodplain Development Permit is required for the placement, improvement, or repair of a Manufactured Home, Park Trailer or Recreational Vehicle (if on-site for 180 consecutive days or greater) within a regulatory floodplain.
- Ensure utilities are elevated and propane tanks are either elevated or properly anchored to resist flotation.
- Prior to ANY activity in the FLOODWAY, contact your local floodplain department.
- Communities and counties have maps called Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRMs) that show the floodplain and floodway for your area.

Recreational Vehicles

Recreational Vehicles (RV) are movable, temporary living quarters designed for travel and seasonal recreational use. RVs are not considered structures and are NOT eligible for flood insurance coverage.

Examples of RVs are:

- Camping Trailers
- Fifth-Wheel Trailers
- Motor Homes
- Truck Campers
- Travel Trailers

Floodplain management regulations stipulate that RVs placed on-site shall:

A. Be on site for less than 180 consecutive days, OR
B. Be fully licensed and "Road Ready," OR
C. Comply with elevation and anchoring requirements for Manufactured Homes.

"Road Ready" means ready for highway use. The RV must have wheels, be self-propelled or towable, and have quick disconnect utilities.

Warning: Locating a "Road Ready" RV in a flash flood area is still extremely dangerous and should be prohibited unless there is sufficient warning time to safely move the RV.

Park Trailers

Park Trailers are often placed on permanent foundations, a trait more commonly shared with Manufactured Homes. If not "Road Ready", Park Trailers must be properly elevated and anchored.

Other Park Trailer characteristics include:

- Usually remain on-site for several years or more, and are not licensed.
- Typically have attached stairs, decks, and screened porches.
- Bathrooms and kitchens are fully functional and generally do not include quick disconnect utilities.
- Are equipped with welded, tie-down brackets and are often secured to a site.

Flood Insurance

- Flood losses are not covered under homeowners insurance policies.
- Owners of Manufactured Homes are eligible for flood insurance coverage.
- Separate contents coverage is available.
- Renters can get flood insurance to cover the contents of a home or business.
- Recreational Vehicles and Park Trailers are NOT eligible for flood insurance coverage.
- For more information about Flood Insurance, visit: http://www.floodsmart.gov

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