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Locating Your Family

Plan ahead so your family will know what to do in case you get separated during an emergency. Designate a place to meet up that is away from your home, like a relative's home in a neighboring city. If you can't contact your family and friends directly to let them know you're safe, you can register yourself with one of the services below:

- National Emergency Family Locator System Run by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), call 1-800-588-9822 to register yourself or family members, or to find someone else. This service is usually only activated during a major disaster.
- National Emergency Child Locator Center Also run by FEMA, call 1-866-908-9570 to find a missing child aged 21 or younger. This service is usually only activated during a major disaster.
- Red Cross Safe and Well List

You can register yourself and your family as "safe and well" with the Red Cross, online at https://disastersafe.redcross.org/. Your information will be logged into a searchable database that your loved ones can use to find you.

- National Next of Kin Registry You can archive emergency point-of-contact information at www.nokr.org. Emergency agencies access the system to locate next of kin in urgent situations; registered information is not accessible by the general public.
- Contact Loved Ones

This organization provides free voice messaging accessible from any phone. Register at www.contactlovedones.org.