



GET PREPARED.GET INVOLVED.

National Preparedness Month Event Planning Sheet

Activities for Individuals:

- Have a Family Preparedness Night: Over dinner, discuss your evacuation and emergency communications plans.
- Help a friend or relative assemble a Go Bag, a collection of items you may need in the event of an evacuation.
- Place disaster preparedness guides in your office or the lobby of your building. (See next page for where you can get these resources)
- Be a Ready Idahoan – submit your preparedness story to citizen.corps@bhs.idaho.gov to win 2 free Go Bags and have your story published in the Idaho Citizen Corps Newsletter.
- Are you Ready? Test your Readiness IQ at www.whatsyourrq.org/survey.htm to see how prepared you really are.
- Volunteer for a fire department, sheriff's office or one of the many 1st responder agencies throughout Idaho. (See next page for ideas on where to volunteer)

Activities for Businesses:

- Schedule an afternoon with your staff to review your insurance policies and discuss business continuity plans. Visit www.ready.gov/business/index.html to download business continuity planning worksheets and other business preparedness resources. Share these resources with colleagues, partners and private stakeholders.
- Place a link from your homepage to the Ready homepage at www.ready.gov to help promote preparedness throughout September.
- Host a "Preparedness Day/Fair" at the office: conduct fire drills, review crisis management plans, promote disaster volunteerism, and/or raffle off a Go Bag.
- Schedule CPR/First Aid training for interested employees; ensure your agency has an Automated External Defibrillator (AED) and training. (www.redcrossidaho.org)
- Schedule a Blood Drive for your office. Go to www.idahocareline.org/eLibrary/Blood%20Donation.html to learn more.

Activities for Community Groups:

- Get trained - become a volunteer. Promote local volunteer groups. (See next page for ideas)
- Distribute emergency preparedness information at local events. For example, focus on preparedness at your local PTA back-to-school night.
- Request a preparedness presentation for your organization. (Email citizen.corps@bhs.idaho.gov to request one)

WEBSITES AND RESOURCES

PREPAREDNESS TRAINING/TIPS:

Where to order or download preparedness documents:

www.ready.gov/america/publications/allpubs.html

Information on Where to Purchase Preparedness Supplies

www.bhs.idaho.gov/community/cert/products.htm

Information on the CERT training:

www.bhs.idaho.gov/community/cert.htm Or www.citizencorps.gov/cert/

A great site with information on disasters and volunteering:

www.idahocareline.org/

Neighborhood Watch:

<http://www.usaonwatch.org/>

Information on how to protect your home from wildfire:

www.firewise.org

Information on personal preparedness:

www.ready.gov

Idaho Crime Prevention Program

www.idahocrimeprevent.org/index.htm

How to contact your local emergency management coordinator:

www.bhs.idaho.gov/local/counties.htm

Emergency Preparedness Guide for Homeowners:

www.bhs.idaho.gov/bhslibrary/em_prep_guide_homeowners.pdf

Readiness IQ:

www.whatsyourrq.org/survey.htm

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES:

American Red Cross:

www.redcrossidaho.org

Boy Scouts of America:

www.oreida-bsa.org/

Medical Reserve Corps:

<http://www.medicalreservecorps.gov/state.asp?state=17>

Idaho Voluntary Agencies Active in Disaster:

www.idavoad.org

Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Services:

www.bhs.idaho.gov/community/races.htm

Volunteers in Police Service:

www.policevolunteers.org/programs/