EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS RESOURCES

MAKE AN EMERGENCY PLAN

One of the most important things you can do to be prepared for an emergency is to create an emergency plan for yourself and your loved ones. Making a plan ensures you know how you will communicate with friends and family during a disaster and gives you an opportunity to think through where you would go or do in the event of an emergency. There are countless tools available that can help you create one.

MY UNT EMERGENCY PLAN

The <u>My UNT Emergency Plan</u> is a template emergency plan created for UNT students. The plan, available as a fillable and/or printable PDF online, provides a place for individuals to record their personal information and critical information for each building they have a class in, such as:

- The locations of the nearest Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs)
- The locations of the nearest shelter areas
- The buildings' evacuation assembly areas

This information can be located on the <u>Emergency Management & Safety Services</u> website (emergency.unt.edu/emergency-floor-plans) or on the Mean Green Ready app! The <u>Mean Green Ready app</u> (<u>https://bit.ly/mgrapp</u>) is a mobile application developed and maintained by Emergency Management & Safety Services and is available for free on the <u>App Store</u> and <u>Google Play Store</u>.

Download the plan, fill it out, and print it off to keep with you; make a second copy to share with a loved one. You may also print a blank version that can be filled out by-hand. It will serve as an excellent quick reference for when the unthinkable arises.

KNOWHAT2DO

The KnoWhat2Do Program is an educational program that works to educate North Central Texas residents on what to do to prepare their homes and communities for all hazards. This website is full of information and resources to help you be prepared for disaster! One of the tools on this site is the "Make a Plan" resource, which guides you through the process of creating your own emergency plan. At the end of the process, you will be provided with a completed emergency plan that you can either print or have emailed to yourself. Learn more: www.knowhat2do.com.



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READY.GOV

Ready is a national public service campaign designed to educate and empower the American people to prepare for, respond to, and mitigate emergencies, including natural and man-made disasters. The goal of the campaign is to promote preparedness through public involvement. Ready.gov has a page dedicated to providing resources for you to create your own emergency plan. Find more information here: https://www.ready.gov/plan.

ATTEND TRAINING

UNT **Emergency Management & Safety Services** and the **UNT Police** offer a wide range of trainings to the UNT community. Some of the trainings available include, but are not limited to:

- Emergency Readiness Training a general course that includes tips on what to do in a variety of emergency situations
- **Stop the Bleed Training** this course prepares you help stop the bleeding trauma of a victim before first responders arrive
- Fire Extinguisher and Automated External Defibrillator (AED) Training this course will allow you the opportunity for hands-on experience with both a fire extinguisher simulation and an AED
- Specialized training or department/unit-specific training

Check out these websites to learn more: <u>Emergency Management & Safety Services</u> <u>training page</u> (<u>riskmanagement.unt.edu/rm-training</u>) and <u>UNT Police training page</u> (<u>police.unt.edu/safety</u>).

SIGN UP FOR EMERGENCY NOTIFICATIONS

One of the most important ways to be prepared for an emergency is to have multiple means of receiving emergency information. We recommend that all UNT students, faculty, and staff have at least **three** means of receiving emergency information.

EAGLE ALERT

Eagle Alert is UNT's official, campus-wide emergency notification system for emergency events, inclement winter weather closures, or tornado warnings. Eagle Alert allows UNT administrators to quickly contact campus community members by phone, text, and email. Eagle Alert will also post to the Eagle Alert Twitter (twitter.com/unteaglealert).

In addition to receiving direct messages by phone and email, the system includes a feature called desktop override that takes control over most UNT-owned computers in offices, classrooms, and public spaces on campus. During the test or in the event of an emergency, computer screens, presentation screens, and digital signs will display a full-screen alert.





UNT faculty, staff, and students are automatically enrolled in Eagle Alert. Individuals should remember, however, that if their personal contact information changes, they should go to <u>my.unt.edu</u> (students/faculty) or <u>my.untsystem.edu</u> (staff) to update their information. Instructions for updating your information can be found here (https://www.unt.edu/eaglealert).

CodeRED

The City of Denton uses the CodeRED System, a high-speed telephone communications service, for emergency notifications. The system telephones all or targeted areas of Denton in the case of an emergency situation that requires immediate action. Individuals can also opt-in to receive weather warnings issued by the National Weather Service, including severe thunderstorm warnings and flash flood warnings. Please note that UNT **Emergency Management & Safety Services** only sends alerts to the UNT community for inclement weather closures and tornado warnings in the immediate vicinity of the campus.

Sign up for the <u>City of Denton CodeRED here</u>. Visit <u>this website to sign up for CodeRED</u> <u>alerts</u> for Frisco, Texas.

OUTDOOR WARNING SIRENS

The City of Denton has **19** outdoor warning sirens (**5** on the UNT campus). The sirens are used to alert the public of impending emergencies, including severe weather. The sirens are tested on the first Wednesday of each month at noon, with each test lasting approximately three minutes. In the event of inclement weather, siren tests will be postponed until the second Wednesday of the month.

When you hear the outdoor warning sirens, go indoors and to the nearest shelter location; turn your radio to <u>KNTU 88.1 FM</u> or watch a local television channel for severe weather information.

View a map of siren locations in the City of Denton.

SOCIAL MEDIA

Below are just a few social media accounts you can follow to help be prepared for emergencies on and off campus!

- Follow UNT Emergency Management & Safety Services

 (@MeanGreenReady) on <u>Twitter</u>, <u>Facebook</u>, and <u>Instagram</u> for information about the weather on campus and other important safety tips.
- Follow **UNT Police** (@UNTPolice) on <u>Twitter</u> and <u>Facebook</u> for important personal safety information and other campus-relevant safety information.
- Follow UNT Facilities on <u>Twitter</u> (@UNTFacilities) and <u>Facebook</u> (@UNTFacilitiesDept) for updates related to construction on campus, traffic detours, and more.



Emergency? Dial 911

- Follow **UNT Transportation Services** (@UNTTransit) on <u>Twitter</u> and <u>Facebook</u> for traffic, transportation, and parking updates.
- Follow Denton Police Department on <u>Twitter</u> (@DENTONPD) and <u>Facebook</u> (@CityofDentonPoliceDepartment) for information about local incidents, personal safety, and traffic alerts within the City of Denton.
- Follow the **City of Denton** on <u>Twitter</u> (@cityofdentontx) and <u>Facebook</u> (@CityofDenton) for the latest Denton news and events within the city.
- Follow the National Weather Service Ft. Worth Dallas on <u>Twitter</u> (@NWSFortWorth) and <u>Facebook</u> (NWSDallasFortWorth) for the most up-to-date information about the weather in the North Texas region.

DOWNLOAD OTHER RESOURCES

MEAN GREEN READY APP

Emergency Management & Safety Services maintains an app called the Mean Green Ready app. This app contains a wealth of useful information, such as emergency floor plans for every campus building, the location of AEDs on campus, and much more. The app is available for free on the App Store and Google Play, just search "UNT Emergency" to get started.



THE RED CROSS FIRST AID APP

The American Red Cross has developed a free and easy-to-use first aid reference guide, available for download from the Google Play Store and the App Store. Learn more on the Red Cross Mobile Apps page (<u>redcross.org/get-help/how-to-prepare-for-emergencies/mobile-apps.html</u>).



