Prepare Now For Any Type of Emergency

There are things you can do right now to mitigate personal injury or loss of property as a result of an emergency.

BUILD A KIT

It may take a while before first responders can arrive. Have an emergency kit readily available at home and work with supplies to ensure you and/or your family can be self-sustaining for at least five days.

MAKE A PLAN

Make a plan with your family on how you would exit your residence or workplace under various scenarios. Predetermine a place to meet. Identify an out-of-area person to contact to inform of your well-being. Practice your plan.

BE INFORMED

Sign up for AlertLongBeach to receive alert notices about emerging or imminent emergencies via cell phone, text message and e-mail. Monitor TV, radio, print and social media for important information in your area.

BE PREPARED

Join the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) or Long Beach Search and Rescue. Take a CPR or first-aid course through the American Red Cross or work with the Red Cross to "Map your Neighborhood" to identify risks and resources within your neighborhood.

Additional Information on Disaster Preparedness

Please visit these informative websites:
longbeach.gov/disasterpreparedness
longbeach.gov/health
ready.gov
fema.gov
redcross.org

Social Media Sites:
twitter.com/@LongBeachDP
Instagram/ @longbeachdprep
facebook@LongBeachDisasterPreparedness
youtube.com/user/LongBeachCityCA

Sign Up Now for AlertLongBeach:
longbeach.gov/disasterpreparedness/alert-long-beach/

Register for Your Free Emergency Alerts Now!

Just scan the QR Code to Sign Up or Visit Us Online!

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What is AlertLongBeach?
AlertLongBeach is a free emergency notification system designed to keep those that live or work in Long Beach informed of important information before, during and after a major emergency or disaster. Alerts will be sent to subscribers that will let them know what has happened, what first responders are doing and what actions you should take to protect yourself and preserve property.

How Does it Work?
Sign Up online at AlertLongBeach on the City’s website: www.longbeach.gov. When an emergency happens, AlertLongBeach sends out a voice, text and e-mail alert to impacted residents, businesses, schools and hospitals who have registered in the system. Although AlertLongBeach contains listed and unlisted home phone numbers from telephone carrier 9-1-1 databases, most people work away from home and others no longer have a home phone. Signing up provides an opportunity for residents to register their cellphone, e-mail address and text information to ensure they receive emergency alerts.

What Type of Alert Message Will Be Sent?
The primary use of AlertLongBeach is to provide information pertaining to the health, safety or welfare of the community that is being affected by a perceived or imminent emergency. Recipient data is stored based on geographic location. Alerts, such as evacuation, disaster or public safety notices, are only sent to those in areas impacted by the emergency.

Alerts in Accessible Formats.
AlertLongBeach alert messages are also available to residents who are deaf, blind, or hard of hearing in American Sign Language (ASL). Residents who sign up for AlertLongBeach and indicate they would like to receive notifications in an accessible format will receive a link to a video that will provide information in ASL with English voice-over text. These ASL messages will be sent directly to the cell phones or e-mail addresses that are designated.

Confidentiality
AlertLongBeach takes pride in keeping all your information confidential. Contract agreements prohibit information from being shared.

About Emergencies
BEFORE AN EMERGENCY
Have a preassembled “Emergency Go Kit” with important supplies and emergency contact information readily available. Predetermine a meeting place for your family. Practice your plan regularly.

EVACUATION WARNING
An evacuation warning alerts people in an affected area(s) of a potential threat to life and property. People who need additional time, such as the elderly and those with young children or pets, should prepare to evacuate at this time.

EVACUATION ORDER
An evacuation order requires the immediate movement of people out of an affected area due to an imminent threat to life. Choosing to stay could result in loss of life and impede the work of emergency personnel.

SHELTER IN PLACE
A shelter-in-place order means the best place to be safe from an airborne or other risk is indoors. Monitor AlertLongBeach and tune in to the TV, radio or internet for announcements on when the threat has passed. Do not venture outside of your shelter area until you are instructed that it is safe to do so.

Visit longbeach.gov/disasterpreparedness for more readiness tips.