



NEIGHBORHOOD DISASTER SURVIVAL PLANNING TOOLKIT

To help your neighborhood survive, this Neighborhood Disaster Survival Toolkit describes the basics of what you need to do before a disaster, during a disaster in your neighborhood, how to purchase a good supply kit, and how to locate free local training for your neighborhood.

Plan to Survive a Disaster in Your Neighborhood

1. Develop neighborhood disaster plan to give yourself and your neighbors the best chance for survival during a disaster.
2. The best disaster plan is developed specifically for your neighborhood. You can get free training in your neighborhood to get help to develop your neighborhood disaster plan.
3. The Citizens Corps provides free Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training to prepare us to survive disasters and help others. For more information about CERT, go to <http://www.citizencorps.gov/> and enter your zip code to find the nearest CERT council to you. Contact your local CERT Council to find the free training offered through your local fire department for your neighborhood.
4. Complete the neighborhood disaster plan with your neighbors and practice it.

What to Do During the Disaster in Your Neighborhood

1. Assess yourself and people in your home first for injuries.
2. If anyone has minor injuries, use your Emergency Preparedness First Aid Kit to treat injuries.
3. If anyone has major injuries, call 911 on your cell phone.
4. Assess your home – is it damaged?
5. Complete your Home Disaster Survey to assess your home and utilities.
6. To display the Home Disaster Survey form with instructions, click [here](#).
7. Turn on your radio to the nearest local station to get an update on the disaster.
8. Open your Home Disaster Kit and use supplies as required.
9. Go to the Neighborhood Disaster Meeting place and set up your response.
10. If Red Cross sets up a shelter in your neighborhood, report there
11. Survey each street in your neighborhood so you can report status to your local fire department.
12. To display the Street Disaster Survey form with instructions, click [here](#).
13. If required, wait for emergency personnel and follow orders.

Prepare: Purchase a Disaster Survival Kit for Your Neighborhood

After much research, I recommend the SimplerLife Shelter Kits for your neighborhood. Simplerlife has kits for any size shelter and you can customize kits for your neighborhood. You can order the Shelter Disaster Survival Kits online from www.simplerlife.com.



Emergencies can strike at any time. Prepare your neighborhood for the worst with the shelter supplies stored in a central location in your neighborhood. Order items together or separately.

1. Go to <http://www.simplerlife.com/sheltering.html>.
2. Select the supplies for the size and type of your neighborhood.
3. Follow the site instructions to order the kit and put it in your central storage location when it arrives.

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Train to Survive!

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To display the Seascape CERT team website, go to www.seascapecert.org