



EVACUATION PLANNING

Everyone needs to remember that evacuations are emergency events and there is often not time to grab critical items. Especially given that Moraga is in an area that may be plagued by events requiring evacuation (fires, earthquakes, etc.), pre-planning is very important.

The following are things that you can do NOW to be prepared for an evacuation:

- Get Prepared!
 - Register with the Community Warning System and Nixle.
 - Purchase a weather radio to monitor for evacuation broadcasts.
 - Predesignate an out-of-area contact and preprogram their number in all family cell phones

- Prepare a Go-Bag for each member of your family, easily accessible when going to your vehicle. The Go-Bag should contain:
 - Clothing
 - Sturdy shoes
 - Toiletries
 - Flashlight
 - Jacket
 - Hat
 - Cell phone charger and cable
 - Spare eyeglasses

- Store copies of important documents in the Cloud or have a flash drive with .jpg or .pdf copies of the following documents:
 - House related documents such as insurance, mortgage papers, title.
 - Personal ID including drivers license, passport, social security card
 - Health documents including policies, insurance cards, prescriptions, name and contact info for primary care physician, list of allergies and conditions.
 - Keepsake photos, including photos of your animals.
 - Photo or video record of each room of your house showing valuables.
 - List of all valuables, including value, date of purchase, serial numbers.

- Prepare to assist Access and Functional Needs (AFN) individuals:
 - Take special precautions to ensure AFN individuals will now about evacuation orders at any time, day or night.
 - Predetermine who will assist any AFN person evacuate.
 - Prepare to take durable medical goods, oxygen or other special needs.
 - If you are an AFN person, be proactive and find someone who can assist you.



- Preprogram your cell phone with 9-1-1 and other emergency numbers so you can call for help if you are trapped or need help.
- Neighborhood
 - Know your neighbors and their schedules and vacation plans
 - Know who will need help to evacuate
 - Coordinate responsibilities for children AFN persons and animals
 - Knock on your neighbors' doors when evacuating to ensure everyone has been notified and is evacuating.
- Animals
 - Have a Go-Bag for your animals containing food, leash, water dish, medications.
 - Keep animals confined indoors if there is heavy smoke.
 - Keep kennels available in case your animals have to go to a shelter.
 - Have all of your animals microchipped to facilitate identification and return.
 - Keep photos of your animals for identification purposes.
 - Make arrangements for larger animals out of the area and have a means to transport them.
 - DO NOT become a fatality trying to corral and/or save loose animals.
- When evacuating, consider the following:
 - Take a single vehicle to reduce congestion and expedite getting out of the area.
 - Keep at least ½ tank of fuel in your car.
 - Keep the vehicle keys easily accessible and always in the same spot.
 - Keep plenty of drinking water in your vehicle.
 - Keep an emergency kit in each vehicle.
 - Pre-load your vehicle with Go-Bags and other necessary items.
 - Plan to evacuate BEFORE the mandatory evacuation order.
 - Communicate via TEXT with your out-of-area contact to tell them you are evacuating.
- Leaving your House.
 - Leave the outside lights on for first responders.
 - Leave any driveway gates open to expedite access to your property
 - Drive safely and cautiously to the collection point.
 - Check in at the collection point and obtain sheltering information.