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# **Community Disaster Preparedness**

**General Presentation**





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# Presentation Overview

**Part 1:** Be Ready

**Part 2:** Take Action

**Part 3:** Stay Safe

**Part 4:** Additional Resources



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# Be Ready



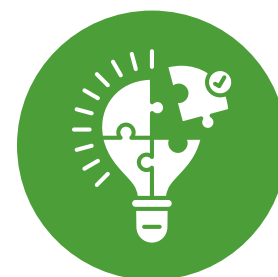
## **Know Your Risk**

Learn about the types of disasters that could happen in your community.



## **Know Your Needs**

Think of your medical, dietary, and evacuation needs.



## **Stay Informed**

Sign up for alerts and warnings to receive information during an emergency.



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# Be Ready: Know Your Risk

## Natural Hazards *(Required)*

- Climate Change
- Dam and Levee Failure
- Drought
- Earthquake
- Flood
- Landslide
- Sea Level Rise (new)
- Severe Weather
- Tsunami
- Wildfire

## Human-Caused / Technological Hazards

- Cybersecurity Threats
- Hazardous Materials Incidents
- Utility Interruptions
- Active Shooter Incidents
- Terrorism



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# Be Ready: Know Your Needs



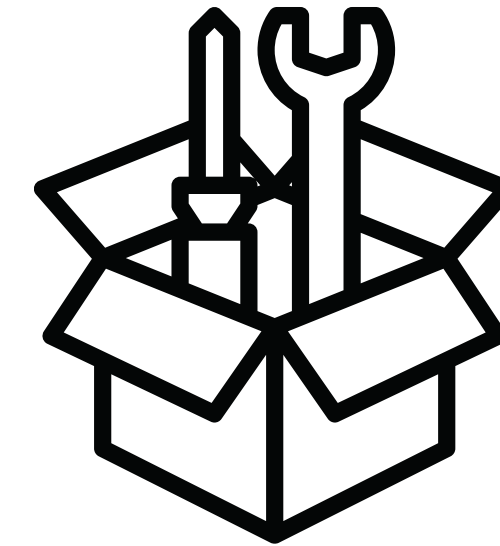
## GENERAL NEEDS

- Medical Conditions or Dietary Requirements
- Pets
- Transportation
- Everyday Routine



## DISABILITIES

- Accommodations or Assistive Devices
- Accessible Evacuation Route
- Assistive Aids for Longer Displacements



## RESOURCES

- Community Resources
- Basic Needs
- Friends/Neighbors



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# Be Ready: Stay Informed

Register for the Community Warning System, the Official Emergency Alert & Warning Authority for Contra Costa County

## Type of Incident

Fire

Hazardous Materials Incident

Law Enforcement Activity

## Protective Actions

Evacuation Orders  
Evacuation Warnings

Shelter in Place

Lockdown/Avoid the Area  
Attempt to Locate At-risk  
Missing Persons





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# Be Ready: Stay Informed & Register For Alerts

Register for the Community Warning System, the Official Emergency  
Alert & Warning Authority for Contra Costa County

## How to Register

### Step 1:

Visit [CWSAlerts.com](https://CWSAlerts.com)

### Step 2:

Click on the  
“Register For  
CWSAlerts Tab”

### Step 3:

Complete Profile



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Registration

Email 1*	<input type="text" value="Email serves as username"/> <small>* Required for mobile app users</small>	Location*	<input type="text" value="Please enter Full Address or Latitude and Longitude. Example (1850 Muir Road Martinez, CA 94533 or"/>
Password*	<input type="password" value="Password"/>		
Confirm Password*	<input type="password" value="Confirm Password"/> <a href="#">Password rules</a>		
Phone 1*	<input type="text" value="US"/> ext <input type="text"/>	How did you hear about the CWS	<input type="text" value="None"/>
Text Message 1	<input type="text" value="US"/>	Preferred Language	<input type="text" value="None"/>
		Chemical Facility Selection	<input type="text" value="None"/> <small>Select the facilities to be notified on</small>
<input type="button" value="Register"/>			



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# Be Ready: CWS Notification Tools



**CWS  
REGISTRATION**  
Voice, Text, Email



**PUBLIC WEBSITE**  
CWSAlerts.com



**SOCIAL MEDIA**  
Facebook/X  
@cococws



**SIRENS**  
Shelter, Shut, Listen



**WEA & EAS**  
WEA = Mobile Devices  
EAS = TV, Radio



**NOAA RADIOS**  
National Weather  
Service (NWS)





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# **Be Ready: CWS Alert Activation Process**





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# Be Ready: Make Your Plan

Preparing before a disaster can help you and your loved ones recover more quickly from a disaster.

## Communications Plan

Keep a digital and physical copy of your communications plan.

### HOUSEHOLD INFORMATION

Home #:   
Address:   
Name:  Mobile #:   
Other # or social media:  Email:   
Important medical or other information:

### SCHOOL, CHILDCARE, CAREGIVER, AND WORKPLACE EMERGENCY PLANS

Name:   
Address:   
Emergency/Hotline #:  Website:   
Emergency Plan/Pick-Up:

## Make a kit

Each member of your household and pet should have a kit.





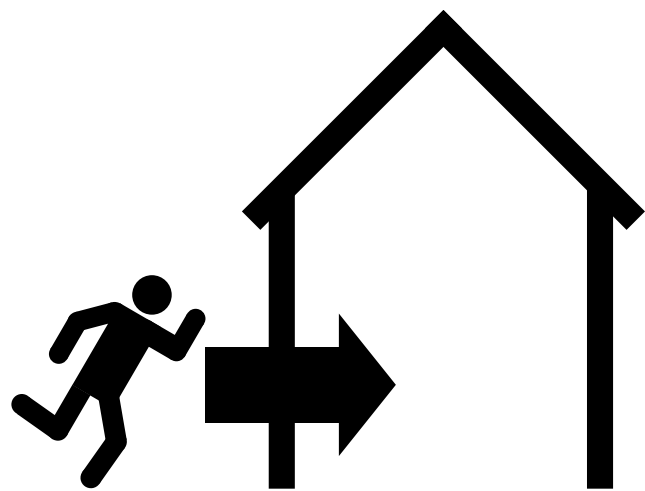


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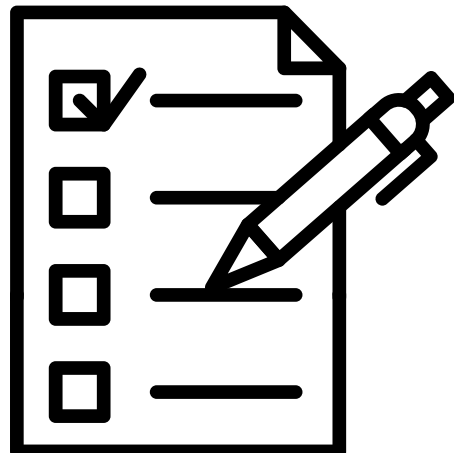
# Take Action: What to do when you get an alert

Examples of types of Alerts/Protective Actions:

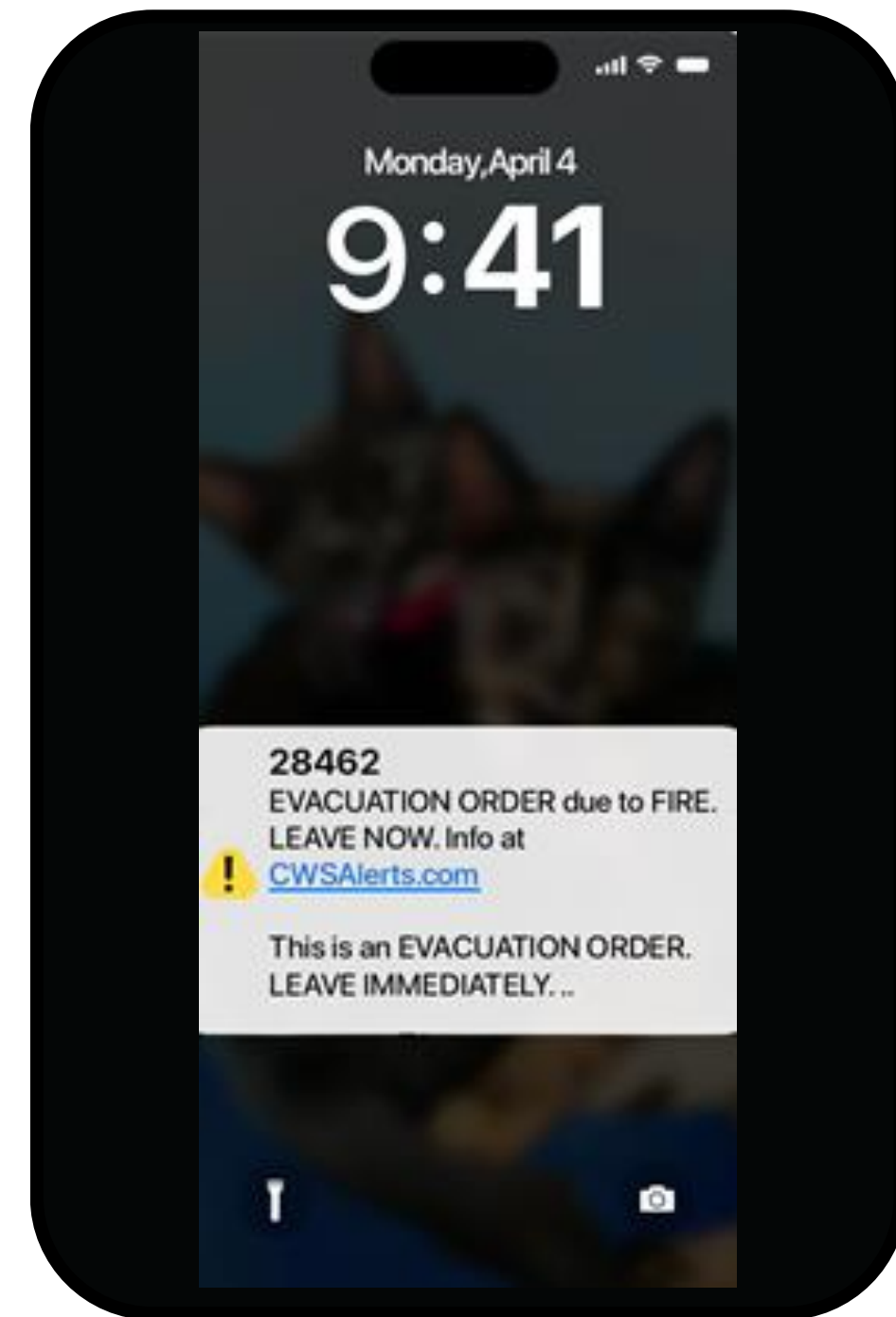
Shelter In Place



Evacuation  
Warning



Evacuation Order





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# Take Action:

What to do when you've received the alert and know the action you need to take

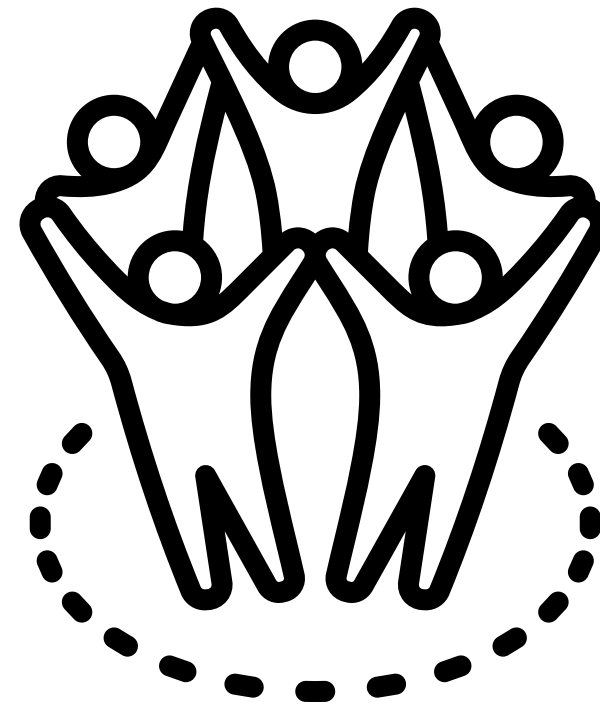
## Execute your Communication Plan & Grab Your Emergency Kit

Go to your designated meeting place if applicable

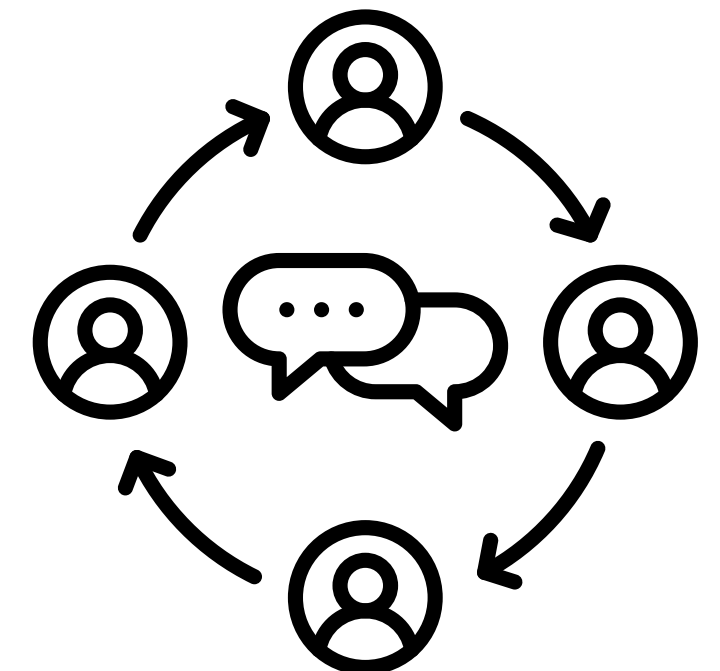
Pick your kit(s)

Go Bag

Stay Bag



Make your calls







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# Stay Safe: After a Disaster



**Returning Home After  
Evacuation**



**Record Your Damage**



**Be Careful of Damage**



**Visit the County Website**



**When in Doubt, Throw it Out**



**Call Your Insurance Provider**



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# Stay Safe: Engage Your Network



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## Establish a Network

of people who can support you in an emergency:

- Family
  - Friends
  - Caregivers
  - Neighbors
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## Share Needs

with your network so they know how and when  
to support you in an emergency

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## Plan

with your network

- Make sure someone:
    - has access to your home
    - knows where you keep emergency supplies
    - knows how to use lifesaving equipment and administer medicine
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# Additional Resources

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[Ready.gov](https://www.ready.gov)



American  
Red Cross

[ARC  
Preparedness](https://www.redcross.org)



[CWSAlerts.com](https://www.cwsalerts.com)



[ListosCalifornia.org](https://www.listoscalifornia.org)



[Ready.gov/  
Older-  
Adults](https://www.ready.gov/older-adults)





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# Thank you!

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