MAKE A PLAN

Natural disasters can strike fast and conditions can shift as quickly as the wind. Put a plan in place ahead of time so you can spring into action should the need arise.

PLAN TOGETHER

Have a discussion with family, co-workers, and neighbors regarding potential needs of your community. Identify resources and needs and make plans on how to stay safe.

SOME QUESTIONS TO CONSIDER:

• Do you have an evacuation plan?
• Who is your emergency point of contact both locally and out of the area?
• Can you function at home without power for an extended amount of time?
• Do you have emergency supplies?
• Do you and your pet(s) have a safe place to stay if you can’t go back home right away?

FOLLOW THE 5 P’S OF EVACUATION

In the event of an evacuation, follow instructions from authorities and leave the area immediately. Those who opt to remain in their home often sustain serious injuries or end up needing rescue - diverting vital first responder resources.

ALWAYS REMEMBER THE 5 P’S AS YOU PREPARE TO LEAVE:

1. People and Pets
2. Prescriptions
3. Papers
4. Personal needs
5. Priceless items

GET TO KNOW YOUR NEIGHBORS

In the event of a disaster or public health emergency, your neighbors may be a critical resource. During the recent wildfires, many lives were saved by pounding on neighbors’ doors, honking horns to wake people up, and piling strangers and their animals into cars and out of danger zones.

FIND OUT:

• Who has a special skill set that could be vital in an emergency (nurse, contractor, HAM radio operator, CERT or CPR trained, etc.)?
• Who has a generator?
• Who has a fenced yard or safe place to keep pets?
• Who has a truck or utility vehicle?
• Who has special needs, mobility issues, or may need a helping hand in the event of an evacuation?
LEARN HOW TO

• Turn off gas - pge.com/gassafety
• Use generators safely - pge.com/backuuppower

EMERGENCY RESOURCES

Check out the following resources for more tips and checklists to get prepared and stay updated during emergencies.

• SOCOEMERGENCY.ORG - County emergency website with up-to-date local emergency info and resources
• READY.GOV - Emergency prep information and disaster aid
• PG&E.COM - Preparing for and staying updated on power outages
• CALL 2-1-1 (OR VISIT 211SONOMA.ORG) - Help with food, housing, emergencies, and more