



EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS TIPS – CONTACTS, COMMUNICATIONS AND IMPORTANT PAPERS

1. CONTACT PRIORITIES

- Emergency Number – 911
- Non-emergency community dispatch number (Riverton and South Jordan (801) 840-4000)
- Local Public Works number (Riverton (801) 208-3162, South Jordan (801) 446-4357)
- Family Work Numbers
- Nearest Relative Number
- It is often easier to call long distance after an emergency or disaster because local phone lines and cell towers are usually overwhelmed. Establish and practice using an out-of-state emergency contact. If not at home when an incident happens, all members of the household call the out-of-state contact and report status and location. (Get permission beforehand.)

2. COMMUNICATIONS

- Have an emergency communication plan, including 2 predetermined emergency meeting places, Outside Home Emergency Meeting Place & Outside Neighborhood Emergency Meeting Place
- Learn sources of emergency information: Emergency Alert System (EAS), Wireless Emergency Alerts (WEA) NOAA weather radio, social media
- Sometimes text messages or emails can get through when a phone connection cannot
- A whistle takes less energy and can be heard much further away than shouting. Keep a whistle within easy reach

3. IMPORTANT DOCUMENTS AND MONEY

- Have printed copies of documents for identification and reference during an emergency and to help in post-emergency recovery. (Name, Birthdate, SSN)
 - Keep photos of family members in emergency kits
 - Update information every six months
 - Keep 5 days work of cash in small bills in emergency kits (Food/Fuel/Lodging/Etc)
 - Keep a list of necessary medicine and other medical information in emergency kits
 - Build an emergency financial reserve and work on getting out of debt
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