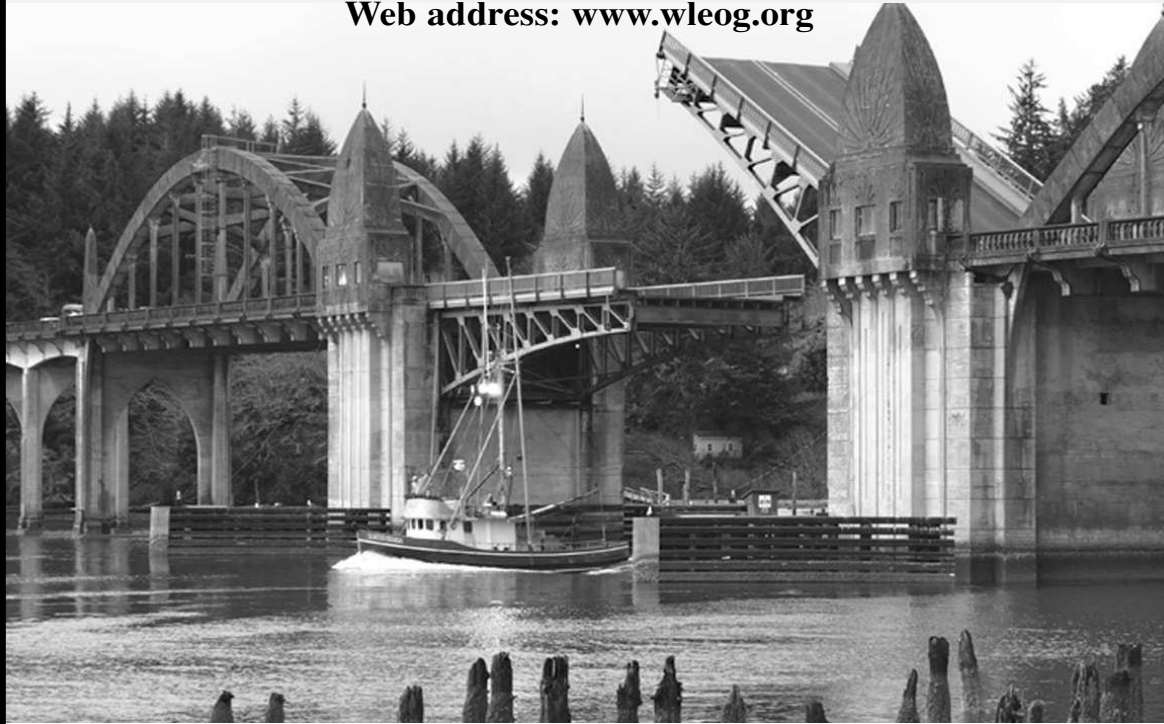


DISASTER PREPAREDNESS

Living on Shaky Ground: Prepare-Survive-Recover A WLEOG Public Outreach Program

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NOW YOU CAN LEARN HOW TO PREPARE FOR EMERGENCIES AND DISASTERS - ON YOUR COMPUTER, PHONE OR TABLET!

Go to WLEOG.ORG and click on **PREPAREDNESS CLASSES** for a menu of disaster prep subjects. Each has short videos on different topics that you can watch when it is convenient for you and your family.

****SAFE WATER, SAFE SANITATION**

****EMERGENCY FOOD PLANNING
AND PREPARATION**

****PET CARE PLANNING
FOR DISASTERS**

****ARE YOU READY?**

****SENIOR CITIZEN PREPAREDNESS**

****DOCUMENTATION AND
INSURANCE**

In addition to the classes, the WLEOG.ORG website has extremely useful information on **NATURAL HAZARDS** and **EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS**. Each of these has videos on various topics that explain the hazards the Pacific Northwest faces, and how to prepare for them.

The time to start preparing for disasters is when everything is fine. When things are going smoothly, you can focus on what you will need when something bad happens.

For example, what would you do if the faucet doesn't work? Do you have water stored? What happens if your family is in different places when an emergency hits? Do you have a place to meet up?

Here are some tips to get started:

WATER

1. Store **at least 5 gallons** for each person in your family. More is better.
2. Purchase one-gallon bottles or buy larger storage containers.
3. Buy **unscented** bleach to treat water.
4. Know the bleach formula – 8 drops of bleach for a gallon of water.
5. Remember – safe water is essential to your survival!

LIGHT

1. Have at least **2 flashlights** per family-member.
2. Have at least **3 sets of batteries** for each flashlight.
3. Check the flashlights every 4 weeks.
4. Back-up safety candles can burn up to 100 hours.
5. Monitor burning candles – don't start a fire!

INFORMATION

1. Have a battery powered or hand-cranked **radio**.
2. Listen to **KCST** for official information and updates.
3. Rumors are usually false – get the facts.
4. Cell phones may work for text messages.

PLANS

1. Make an **emergency plan** for your family.
2. Don't assume you will be together when a disaster happens.
3. Designate a **meeting place**, and a back up.
4. Identify a contact person outside of Florence – or Oregon.
5. Practice your plan at least once a year.

GRAB AND GO BAG

1. Each family member needs a 'grab and go' bag.
2. The contents are basic – **medications, water, flashlight, food, ID, poncho**, etc.
3. This bag supplements the emergency supplies already stored at home and in the car.
4. Have a bag for your pets.
5. This bag may be the only source of essential items for several days. Pack wisely!

STAY CALM

1. An emergency/disaster changes everything.
2. **Help will arrive** – eventually.
3. You, your family and your neighbors are your first line of support.
4. Try to help others if you can.

For more information, go to the Siuslaw Valley Fire and Rescue website: www.svfr.org

For more information, visit these websites:

AMERICAN RED CROSS — WWW.REDCROSS.ORG
CITY OF FLORENCE — WWW.CI.FLORENCE.OR.US
FEMA — WWW.READY.GOV
LANE COUNTY — WWW.LANECOUNTY.ORG
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