



## Mason County Division of Emergency Management

### MAKE A PLAN

Your family may not be together when a disaster strikes so it is important to plan in advance: how you will get to a safe place; how you will contact one another; how you will get back together; and what you will do in different situations.

Ready.gov has made it simple for you to make a family emergency plan. Download the Family Emergency Plan (FEP) and fill out the sections before printing it or emailing it to your family and friends.

You should also inquire about emergency plans at places where your family spends time: work, daycare and school, faith organizations, sports events and commuting. If no plans exist, consider volunteering to help create one. Talk to community leaders, your colleagues, neighbors and members of faith or civic organizations about how you can work together in the event of an emergency. You will be better prepared to safely reunite your family and loved ones during an emergency if you think ahead and communicate with others in advance.

**Plan for Your Risks** – There are actions that should be taken before, during and after an event that are unique to each hazard. Identify the hazards that have happened or could happen in your area and plan for the unique actions for each. For more information see <http://www.ready.gov/plan-for-your-risks>

**Considerations For...** - As you prepare, tailor your plans and supplies to your specific daily living needs and responsibilities. Most or all individuals have both specific personal needs as well as resources to assist others. For more information see <http://www.ready.gov/considerations>

**Plan to Protect Yourself and Your Family** – Prepare yourself and your family for a disaster by making an emergency plan. Your emergency planning should also address the care of pets, aiding family members with access and functional needs and safely shutting off utilities. For more information see <http://www.ready.gov/emergency-planning-checklists>

**Tribal Planning** – Could you get along on your own for a few days if your reservation, village or pueblo experienced an emergency? Each family should make preparations now for immediate or potential situations that threaten life, property or the environment. Preparing today will speed up recovery time in an emergency. For more information see <http://www.ready.gov/indiancountry>

**Plan for Locations** – While there are warnings for many types of potential disasters, many emergencies and disasters occur without any warning. Since you can't predict where you will be for disasters, it is important to have plans and supplies for the locations you and your household go to regularly. For more information see <http://www.ready.gov/plan-for-locations>