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Children – Plan & Prepare

- Include your children in family discussions and planning for emergency safety.
- Teach your children their basic personal information so they can identify themselves and get help if they become separated from a parent or guardian.
- Prepare an emergency card with information for each child, including his/her full name, address, phone number, parent's work number and out of state contact.
- Know the policies of the school or daycare center your children attend. Make plans to have someone pick them up if you are unable to get to them. Always keep your child's school up to date on emergency contact information and the people that are authorized to pick up your child from school or daycare.
- Make sure each child knows the family's alternate meeting sites if you are separated in a disaster and cannot return to your home. Try to be as exact as possible when choosing a location. Trees, streetlights, or other noticeable traits of an area are easy to remember, refrain from saying a general location such as the park. A much better option would be to meet at the Evergreen Tree, or near the slide.
- Make sure each child knows how to reach your family's out-of-state contact person.
- Teach your children to dial their home telephone number and Emergency 9-1-1.
- Teach children what gas smells like and advise them to tell an adult if they smell gas after an emergency.
- Warn children never to touch wires on poles or lying on the ground. Even adults should never touch a wire or pole. Many cables look alike and you never know if they are "live" lines or not. **If your route is blocked because of downed power lines find another way around them**
- Role-play with children to help them remain calm in emergencies and practice basic emergency responses such as evacuation routes, Drop, Cover & Hold and Stop, Drop & Roll.
- Role-play with children as to what they should do if a parent is suddenly sick or injured.
- Role-play with children on what to say when calling Emergency 9-1-1.

Childs Emergency Kit – Child's Go Bag

Every child in your home should have and Emergency Kit. These kits should contain at least the following items

- Include a family picture and a favorite toy, game or book for each child in his/her Go-bag.
- Include your child's emergency card and include information on reunification locations and out-of-area contact.



- Provide comfort food and treats for each child in your family disaster supplies kit.
- Keep a recent photo of your children in your Go-bag.