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Go Kits and Emergency Planning

What has this emergency taught us?

Cerro Grande Fire remains burned into New Mexico's memory 20 years later

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And what has
history taught
us?

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What has this emergency taught us?



Once the COVID-19 emergency hit us full on, there was no way to get emergency supplies. No masks, no gloves, no hand sanitizer, oh, and the vanishing toilet paper.

Just in time inventory does not work in an emergency. As you experienced in the last months, as soon as you realized you needed masks and hand sanitizer, so did the rest of the world.

Prepare and keep your family safe.

Safety – keeping your family safe

- Fires can happen quickly
- Shelter in place or evacuation? But prepare for evacuation

The Paradise 911 operators did not know there was an evacuation order so residents were not told to evacuate

- Be self-reliant. The first 3-5 hours of a fire emergency, first responders are working the fire and cannot be going house to house to help you evacuate
- What are your evacuation routes – have at least 2

I live on a one-car-wide street and either end could get blocked by fire coming from the canyon or an emergency vehicle. It's best for me to just go. I can come back later, but getting trapped could kill me.

Being Prepared

- Being prepared means being equipped with the proper supplies you may need in the event of an emergency or disaster
- Keep your supplies in an easy-to-carry emergency preparedness kit that you can **use at home or take with you** in case you must evacuate



The Go Kit Game



If I had to live out of my car for 72 hours, I need:

- Gas
- Water and food
- Safe space – protection from the elements, keeping your family safe, warm, and protected
- Sanitation
- Communication – both incoming and outgoing

Tip: Don't rely on your cell phone. Towers will be jammed. Fires can take out the towers. Have a good local map.

Build A Kit

- After an emergency, you may need to survive on your own for several days. Being prepared means having your own [food](#), [water](#), and other [supplies](#) to last for at least 72 hours. A disaster supplies kit is a collection of basic items your household may need in the event of an emergency.
- Make sure your emergency kit is stocked with the items on the checklist below. Most of the items are inexpensive and easy to find and any one of them could save your life. Once you take a look at the basic items consider what [unique needs](#) your family might have, such as supplies for [pets](#) or [seniors](#).

Basic Disaster Supplies Kit

To assemble your kit store items in airtight plastic bags and put your entire disaster supplies kit in one or two easy-to-carry containers such as plastic bins or a duffel bag.

- [Water](#) (one gallon per person per day for at least three days, for drinking and sanitation)
- [Food](#) (at least a three-day supply of non-perishable food)
- Battery-powered or hand crank radio and a NOAA Weather Radio with tone alert with solar panel and cell phone charger
- Flashlight
- First aid kit
- Extra batteries
- Whistle (to signal for help)



Basic Disaster Supplies Kit

- N-95 Dust mask (to help filter contaminated air)
- Mylar sheeting and duct tape (to [shelter in place](#))
- Moist towelettes, garbage bags and plastic ties (for personal sanitation)
- Wrench or pliers (to [turn off utilities](#))
- Manual can opener (for food)
- Local maps
- Cell phone with chargers and a backup battery



Additional Supplies

- Soap, hand sanitizer, disinfecting wipes to disinfect surfaces
- [Prescription medications](#)
- Non-prescription medications such as pain relievers, anti-diarrhea medication, antacids or laxatives
- Prescription eyeglasses and contact lens solution
- Infant formula, bottles, diapers, wipes and diaper rash cream
- Pet food and extra water for your pet
- Cash or traveler's checks
- Important family documents such as copies of insurance policies, identification and bank account records saved electronically or in a waterproof, portable container

Additional Supplies

- Sleeping bag or warm blanket for each person
- Complete change of clothing appropriate for your climate and sturdy shoes
- Fire extinguisher
- Matches in a waterproof container
- Feminine supplies and personal hygiene items
- Mess kits, paper cups, plates, paper towels and plastic utensils
- Paper and pencil
- Books, games, puzzles or other activities for children



Additional Supplies

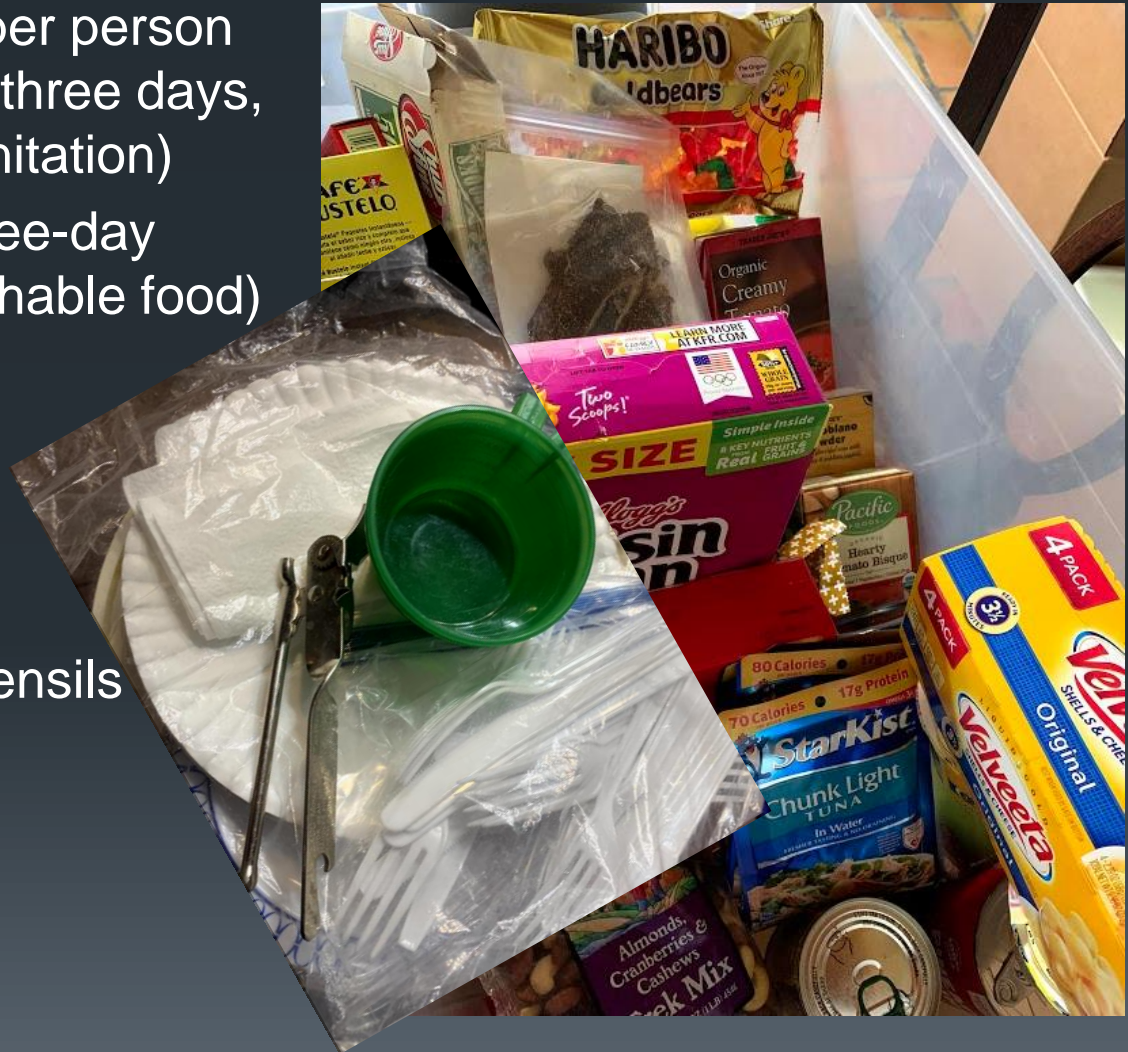
- Tools
- Local map
- List of items in Go Kit and extras to get – so you don't forget the parakeet



Food and Water

- [Water](#) (one gallon per person per day for at least three days, for drinking and sanitation)
- [Food](#) (at least a three-day supply of non-perishable food)

- Small camp stove
- Pot for cooking
- Can opener and utensils



Kit Storage Locations

- Since you do not know where you will be when an emergency occurs, prepare supplies for home, work and cars.
- **Home:** Keep this kit in a designated place and have it ready in case you have to leave your home quickly. Make sure all family members know where the kit is kept.
- **Work:** Be prepared to shelter at work for at least 24 hours. Your work kit should include food, water and other necessities like medicines, as well as comfortable walking shoes, stored in a “grab and go” case.
- **Car:** In case you are stranded, keep a kit of emergency supplies [in your car](#).

References

- Greater [Santa Fe Fireshed Coalition](#)
- Go Kit from www.Ready.gov/kit
- [Villages of Santa Fe](#)