



Emergencies can happen anytime. Are you prepared?

3 Easy steps to prepare for an emergency.

Being prepared means being equipped with the proper supplies you may need in the event of an emergency or disaster and knowing what to do before, during & after. 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. No matter where you are, know how to protect yourself, you family and your colleagues during an emergency or disaster.

## 1 HAVE A PLAN

Discuss these 4 questions with your family to start your emergency plan.

- How will I receive emergency alerts and warnings?
- What is my shelter plan?
- What is my evacuation route?
- What is my family/household communication plan?

You can go to [Ready.gov](https://www.ready.gov) to print out a plan that you and your family can fill out together.

Once you have a plan, it's time to practice and maintain your plan.

## 2 BE INFORMED

Don't be surprised, know what's coming. Have multiple ways to receive alerts & information:

- Nixle - receive weather & travel alerts specific to Grant Co, IN directly to your email & text, sign up at [Nixle.com](https://www.nixle.com) or text GRANTEMA to 888777
- Mobile Phone:
  - Make sure you can receive WEA Alerts
  - Install a weather phone app and sign up to receive alerts (FEMA, The Weather Channel, etc.)
- NOAA Weather Radio
- Local TV & radio
- Internet and social media sources
- Outdoor Warning Sirens

A basic emergency supply kit should include the following recommended items:

- Water - 1 gallon per person, per day for at least 3 days
- Food - at least a 3 day supply of non-perishable food
- NOAA Weather Radio
- Cell phone, solar charger & backup battery
- N95 Dust mask, plastic sheeting & duct tape (shelter in place)
- Cash (ATMs will not work during a power outage)
- Extra set of clothing, including sturdy shoes
- Pocket knife or multi purpose tool
- Infant formula and diapers
- Food & water for your pet(s)
- Flashlight & extra batteries
- Whistle to signal for help
- Tools to turn off utilities
- First aid kit
- List of emergency contacts
- Prescription medications

You should also have an vehicle emergency kit which includes:

- Jumper cables
- Flashlight
- Shovel & ice scraper
- Flares or reflective triangle
- Battery powered radio
- Cell phone charger
- Cat litter or sand for better traction
- Blanket & hand warmers
- Hat, gloves & boots
- Set of warm clothing & rain gear
- First aid kit
- Necessary medication
- Basic tool kit & tire repair kit
- Water & snacks
- Tow rope

Additional items can be added to your kit based on the needs of your family.

A more complete Emergency Kit supply list can be printed from our website.

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