

# Preparing for Emergencies

What are some different types of emergencies that happen in your town or state?



# Why is this important?

In 2018, only 1 in 20 people in the US had to deal with a natural disaster



This year, 7 in 21 people in the US had to deal with a natural disaster



# Why is important to be prepared?



# Here are steps to take to be safe

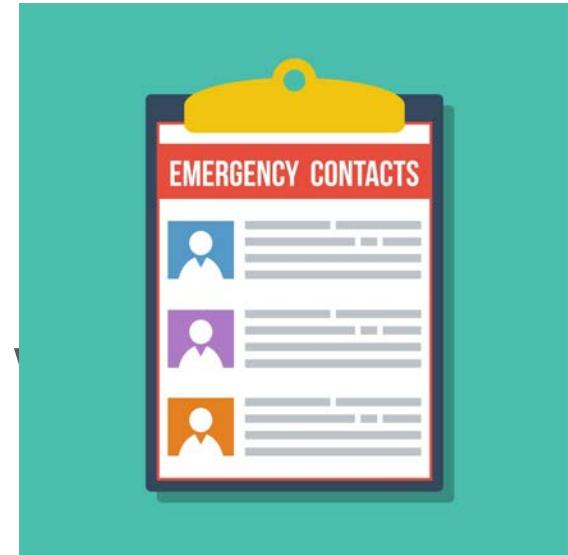
**#1 Sign up for Emergency Alerts** in your state.

They let you know about floods, fires, accidents, power outages. They send you text messages telling you what is going on, where it is and what to do.



# #2 Make a plan

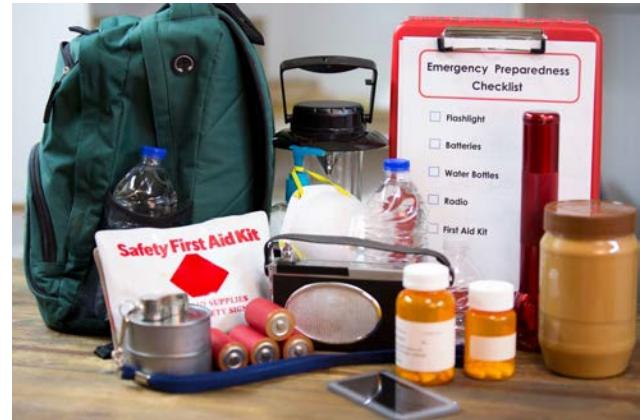
- Make a list of the names and contact information for who you want to contact during the emergency. The Red Cross has a form you can use. Or just make your own list.
- Don't forget your pets. Make a plan for them.
- Talk to people in your life and plan where you can go if you have to leave your home.



# #3 If you have to leave quickly, what should you bring with you.

It is a good idea to have a bag already packed so you can grab it and go in an emergency.

In small groups - work together to come up with a list what should be in your To Go Bag?



# #4 Sometimes you can't leave. What do you need to stay safe at home when you can't leave.

In small groups - work together to come up with a list what you need if you were stuck at home without power for 3 days?

