



ACTIVITY 28: MEET YOUR LOCAL EMERGENCY MANAGER



Goal: Understand what your local emergency management office does and what resources it has available to help you Be 2 Weeks Ready.

Local emergency management services are essential to a strong community. Encourage your household to connect with your local emergency management office to learn more about area hazards and how you can prepare. This can include visiting your local and state emergency management websites.

Follow your city and county's emergency management office on social media. Consider posting a question, or tag them on your *Be 2 Weeks Ready* journey. Ask your local emergency management agency about local resources for more information or volunteer opportunities.

The goal here is to be “in the know” and prepared for what might happen in the place you call home.

ACTIVITY 29: SIGN UP OR UPDATE YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION FOR EMERGENCY ALERTS



Goal: Make sure officials can reach you by opting-in to your local emergency alerting systems.

Signing up for your community's emergency alert system – or updating your information if you've signed up but moved or otherwise changed your information – is key to finding out what to do if something happens where you live. If officials can't reach you, they can't notify you of danger or provide information to help you stay safe. Visit www.oralert.gov to find out how to register for alerts where you live. You can also visit your local emergency management agency's website or give them a call.



Think about other locations where you'd like to receive important notifications from officials. This could include work, school or a relative's home. Many of these systems allow you to register multiple addresses and phone numbers.

ACTIVITY 30: HELP YOUR COMMUNITY PREPARE



Goal: Get involved in your community so you can help emergency management officials prepare your neighbors and respond to emergencies.

The best first step to help your community prepare is to contact your local emergency management team and ask how to become involved. Share that you and your neighbors are working together in the *Be 2 Weeks Ready* program and you want to learn more. Many local emergency management and fire departments have Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training available for those who want to do more after an emergency. In some communities, these trainings are offered in multiple languages and to those with access and functional needs.



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