Prepare Now for Any Type of Emergency
There are things you can do right now to mitigate personal injury or loss of property as a result of an emergency.

BE INFORMED
Sign up for AlertLongBeach to receive alert notices about emerging or imminent emergencies via phone, cell phone, text message and email. Monitor TV, radio, print and social media for important information.

MAKE A PLAN
Make a plan with your family on how you would exit your residence or workplace under various scenarios. Predetermine a place to meet. Identify an out-of-area person to contact to inform of your well being. Practice your plan.

BUILD A KIT
It may take a while before first responders can arrive. Have an emergency kit readily available at home and work with supplies to ensure you and/or your family can be self-sustaining for at least five days.

BE PREPARED
Join the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) or Long Beach Search and Rescue. Take a CPR or first-aid course through the American Red Cross, or work with the Red Cross to “Map your Neighborhood” to identify risks and resources within your neighborhood.

Additional Information on Disaster Preparedness
Please visit these informative websites:
longbeach.gov/disasterpreparedness
aspca.org
ready.gov

For more information on City of Long Beach and spcaLA facilities in Long Beach visit:
longbeach.gov/acs/about-us/

Social Media Sites:
twitter.com/LongBeachDP
facebook/LongBeachDisasterPreparedness
Instagram/Longbeachdprep
youtube.com/user/LongBeachCityCA

Sign Up Now for AlertLongBeach:
longbeach.gov/disasterpreparedness/alert-long-beach/

Preparing for Emergencies:
Information for Pet Owners

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**Prepare for Your Pets Now**

Your pet is an important member of your household. The likelihood your pets will survive an emergency situation depends largely on emergency planning done today. Keep in mind that what's best for you is typically what's best for your pets.

**Make a Plan**

Make plans in advance for your pets. Make a plan that accounts for all animals- including animals stabled or housed away from home and any livestock. Develop a pet care plan. Identify someone who will be available to care for, or evacuate your pets if you are unable to do so.

If possible, take your pets with you if you must evacuate. If you are going to a public shelter, only service animals will be allowed inside. An alternate pet shelter site may be available.

Other options may include: a hotel or motel that takes pets, a veterinary hospital that is near by, or a pet boarding facility.

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**Create a Pet Emergency Kit**

Just as you do with your family’s emergency supply kit, think about the basic supplies for your pet’s survival—food and water, and life sustaining items.

**Food and Water**- Keep at least five days of food and water in airtight containers. Collapsible bowls for pets may provide extra space in your kit.

**Medicines and Medical Records**- You may need to show proof of vaccination to board your pets during an emergency.

**First Aid Kit**- Ask your veterinarian about what is appropriate for your pet’s emergency medical needs.

**Sanitation**- Include a travel sized litter box and pet litter if appropriate, newspapers, paper towels, plastic trash bags and cleaner to provide for your pet’s sanitation needs.

**Familiar Items**- Put favorite toys, treats or bedding in your kit. Familiar items can help reduce stress for your pets.

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**Create a Pet Emergency Kit Continued**

**Collar with ID Tag, Harness or Leash**- Your pet should wear a collar with its rabies tag/ city registration and identification. Include a backup leash in your pet’s emergency supply kit.

**Pet registration information or id numbers**- Permanent identification such as microchipping, and enrolling your pet in a recovery database can be helpful in reuniting you with your pet after a disaster. Register your pet with the City of Long Beach, you can do so at: [http://www.longbeach.gov/acs](http://www.longbeach.gov/acs)

**Crate or Pet Carrier**- If you need to evacuate, having a crate or cage for your pet may make the process easier. The carrier should be large enough for your pet to stand, turn around and lie down. Small mammals and birds should be transported in their cages.

**A picture of you and your pet together**- Having detailed information about species, breed, age, sex, color and distinguishing characteristics will help aide in identifying your pet and proving ownership.

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*All animals featured in this brochure are owned, loved, and cared for by Disaster Preparedness staff members.*