



Travis County Emergency Services

Emergency Management, Fire Marshal, Medical Examiner, STAR Flight and Technology and Communication

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Make your emergency plan today

As part of National Preparedness Month, Travis County reminds residents to plan now for emergencies.—Don't wait. Communicate. Make your emergency plan today. Any time of the year, Travis County and Central Texas could face wildfires, tornadoes, flash floods, or man-made disasters. This year, we have seen the dangers of flash flooding, while still experiencing drought and wildfire danger.

How can anyone prepare for the possibility of these different disasters? Go to ready.gov/september or ready.gov/es/septiembre to learn more. Take practical steps, so that you are informed and ready for events beyond your control:

1. **Stay informed.** Monitor news reports for emergency information. Remember that there may be no electricity during a disaster, so a hand-crank radio is recommended. Register your cell phone, phone landline, email address or pager to receive Regional Notification System alerts by voice call, email or text at <http://wireless.capcog.org>. The Travis County Emergency Services Facebook ([TravisCoEmergencyServices](https://www.facebook.com/TravisCoEmergencyServices)) and Twitter (@TravisCountyES) pages also provide updates during emergencies.
2. **Build a disaster supply kit.** Your kit should include enough non-perishable food, one gallon of water per day per person, prescription medication and other supplies, such as flashlights, batteries and a first-aid kit. Learn more about disaster supply kits at ready.gov/kit.
3. **Make a plan** that extends from home to vehicle, workplace and other locations. Remember to have supplies at all locations, and keep vehicle fuel tanks at least half full.
4. **Prepare your home** and decrease the threat of wildfires to you and your property by following the *Ready, Set, Go!* brochure at traviscountytexas.gov/wildfire.
5. **Get involved—Prepare your community for emergencies:** For more information on National Preparedness Month and getting others involved, go to: ready.gov/september or ready.gov/es/septiembre, and follow [#NatlPrep](https://twitter.com/NatlPrep).

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