What to do if Disaster Strikes

If Disaster Strikes...

Remain calm and patient. Put your Family Disaster plan into action.

Check for Injuries

Dial 911 for serious injuries/damage.

Give first aid and get help for seriously injured people.

Tune into AM Radio Station 1610.

Listen to your battery powered radio for news and instructions.

Evacuate, if advised to do so. Wear protective clothing and sturdy shoes.

Check for damage in your home...

- Use flashlights-do not light matches or turn on electrical switches, if you suspect damage.
- Check or fires, fire hazards and other household hazards.
- Sniff for gas leaks, starting at the water heater. If you smell gas or suspect a leak, turn off the main gas valve, open windows, and get everyone outside quickly.
- Shut off any other damaged utilities.
- Clean up spilled medicines, bleaches, gasoline and other flammable liquids immediately.

Remember to...

- Confine or secure your pets
- Call your family contact-do not use the telephone again unless it is a life-threatening emergency.
- Check on your neighbors, especially elderly or disabled persons.
- Make sure you have an adequate water supply in case service is cut off.
- Stay away from downed power lines.

If everything is OK, please place the sign on the reverse side of this checklist on your front door or in your front window, visible from the street, - so that concerned neighbors and public safety officials will know that you and your family are safe.

For more information on Disaster Planning, please contact the Ventura County Fire Department at (805) 389-9748 or http://fire.countyofventura.org/

Para mas información sobre como prepararse en caso de un desastre, por favor llame al (805) 389-9748 o entre en la pagina de Internet en <u>http://fire.countyofventura.org/</u>

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