



**Scene #5: Slides showing the points ?**

**Video?**

Why not start with a family meeting? Talk about the things that could happen and how they could affect you.

Discuss how you and your family should respond to each possible emergency, including evacuation.

Stress the importance of knowing where all family members are at all times.....and how to get in touch with them.

Think about what you'd do in case of power outages or personal injuries.

It's also a good idea to draw a floor plan of your home and identify two escape routes from each room.

Have emergency supplies on hand.

Talk about what you would need to do if you are ordered to evacuate. Where would you go?

What should you take? Do you have emergency supplies on hand?

Remember, some family members such as infants, the elderly, and persons with disabilities may have special needs. It pays to plan for them.

And don't forget the pets. What will you do with them if you have to leave home? Pets aren't allowed in public shelters and many hotels or motels aren't pet friendly.

Select two places to meet: a spot outside your home for an emergency such as fire, and a place away from your neighborhood in case you cannot return home (a real possibility during the day when most adults are at work and children are at school).

Also identify an out-of-town friend or relative as your "emergency family check-in contact". That way if family members become separated, they have a number to call to let everyone know where they are. Remember, it's often easier to call out-of-town during an emergency than within the area.

**Scene #6: (super) [www.nyprepare.gov](http://www.nyprepare.gov)**

For more information on developing an Emergency Plan, visit [www.nyprepare.gov](http://www.nyprepare.gov)

**Scene #7: (super) "Stock up on Emergency Supplies"**

**Scene #8: Show supplies from SEMO EM kit or display slide with items list**

**Scene #9: Narrator**

**Scene #10: (super) "Be Aware"**

**(STOCK UP ON EMERGENCY SUPPLIES)**

Identifying and collecting emergency supplies now will save time if you must evacuate or if you lose power for a number of days. How prepared should you be? A good rule of thumb is: Be prepared to make it on your own for at least three days.

So, what should go in your emergency supply kit?

- Portable battery-powered radio.
- Flashlight (s).
- Extra batteries for all portable electronic devices.
- At least a 3-day supply of water (1 gallon per person per day).
- 3- to 5-days' worth of ready-to-eat non-perishable foods that don't need refrigeration. Consider including crackers, granola bars and other high energy foods.
- Manual can opener.
- Emergency first aid kit.
- Clothing, rain gear and sturdy shoes for each family member.
- Sleeping bags, bedding or blankets.
- One week's supply of essential prescription medicines (be sure to check the expiration dates).
- Special items for infants, the elderly or family members with special needs.
- Supplies for your pet.

It is quite a list but you don't have to get everything at once. When you're out shopping buy an item or two for your emergency supplies. You'll be surprised at how soon you can accumulate what you need for you and your family.

For a complete list of suggested emergency supplies visit [www.nyprepare.gov](http://www.nyprepare.gov).

**(BE AWARE)**

This brings us to our third point, Be Aware, which means staying tuned to local TV and radio stations. They know what is going on in your

<p><b>Scene #11: Narrator</b></p>	<p>hometown and can give you advanced warning of storms and up-to-date information during an emergency.</p> <p>Make sure you know which stations are parts of the Emergency Alert System (EAS). They are the primary outlets for official information on protective actions such as road closures and evacuations.</p> <p>You might want to consider getting a Weather Radio. With this radio you'll get warnings when severe weather will affect your county and locality.</p> <p>And you should consider subscribing to NYALERT. It's the State's alert and notification system and the best way to get emergency information. With NYALERT you can get alerts from the National Weather Service and travel disruptions from State DOT's new 511NY. You can sign up today at <a href="http://www.nyalert.gov">www.nyalert.gov</a>. It's first... it's accurate and it's free!</p>
<p><b>Scene #12: NY-ALERT website</b></p>	
<p><b>Scene #13: (super) <a href="http://www.nyalert.gov">www.nyalert.gov</a></b></p>	<p>Finally, in these uncertain times, be aware of your surroundings with regard to terrorism.</p>
<p><b>Scene #14: Narrator</b></p>	<p>Remember, the most effective homeland security strategy begins with you, the individual. If you see something unusual or suspicious, please contact local law enforcement or call New York State's counterterrorism tips hotline at: <b>1-866-SAFE-NYS</b>. In New York City, call the NYPD at <b>1-888-NYC-SAFE</b>.</p>
<p><b>Scene #15: (super) 866-SAFE-NYS</b></p>	<p><b>(GET INVOLVED)</b></p>
<p><b>Scene #16: (super) "Get Involved"</b></p>	<p>This brings us to our fourth point: Get Involved.</p>
<p><b>Scene #17: Narrator</b></p>	<p>During an emergency, not everyone may be in a position to help themselves. If you and your family are OK, check on your neighbors and those with special needs: the elderly or infirm and be prepared to lend a helping hand.</p> <p>And you can be part of the solution: By volunteering a few hours of time at a local shelter, which can be very useful.</p>
<p><b>Scene #18: Red Cross B-roll</b></p>	<p>Contact your local American Red Cross and see what types of training they offer.</p> <p>Neighbors helping neighbors. That's the true spirit of New Yorkers: For more information on volunteer opportunities go to the website of the New York State Commission on National and Community service at <a href="http://www.newyorkersvolunteer.ny.gov">www.newyorkersvolunteer.ny.gov</a></p>
<p><b>Scene #19: New York Volunteers</b></p>	

<p><a href="#">website</a></p> <p><b>Scene #20:</b> <a href="http://www.newyorkersvolunteer.ny.gov">www.newyorkersvolunteer.ny.gov</a></p> <p><b>Scene #21: Narrator</b></p> <p><b>Scene #22: (super) Be prepared. Be informed.</b></p>	<p>And in New York State, government employees should check with their human resources or personnel department about the State Disaster Leave Law that let's them volunteer for the Red Cross.</p> <p>So there you have it. Four simple steps that can help you, your family, your friends and co-workers to become better prepared.</p> <p>You've already taken the first step on the road to preparedness by watching this video. We encourage you to use this information to be prepared for any emergencies that may occur in the future.</p> <p>Be prepared. Be informed.</p> <p>Thank you.</p>
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