



Preparing Our Faith Communities in Fairfax County

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As a member of _____, do you consider yourself prepared for a natural or man-made emergency?

Specifically, in the event of a wide-spread emergency (weather-related; terrorism; pandemic flu; or other event) would you be prepared and able to take care of yourself? Your family? Your fellow worshippers? Your neighbors?

According to an American Red Cross survey, only about 40 percent of persons living in the U.S. are prepared for an emergency.

September is National Preparedness Month and now is a good time to consider taking some basic steps that will enable you to care for yourself, loved ones and neighbors.

Being ready for the unexpected can be as simple as gathering such supplies as water, non-perishable food, prescriptions and other medical supplies, flashlights, important documents, and other necessary items that are not readily available (and may not be available at all during and after an emergency event).

Look for a listing of supplies for a "Ready...Pack...Go..." Kit on our bulletin board or at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dsm/cil/emergency.htm.

Sponsors: Fairfax County Faith Communities in Action (FCIA) Interfaith Emergency Planning Steering Committee, Fairfax County Citizen Corps Council, Fairfax County Department of Systems Management for Human Services Community Interfaith Liaison Office, the Fairfax County Office of Emergency Management, Department of Family Services and the Office of Public Affairs



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