

## Canyon Creek Emergency Planning Guide

### Step 1: Identify likely Disasters in the Reno Area/Stake

#### Potential Disasters:

- A. Earth Quake: magnitude 5.5 or greater = Major Impact.
- B. Flood and Flash Flood: Area around the Truckee River = Minor to Major Impact
- C. Mud or Landslide: ex: Somerset/Mogul, and I-80 Corridors = Minor to Major Impact
- D. Hazardous Material Spill: Explosive or poisonous vapor plume from a transportation spill involving an over turned tanker traveling on I-80 or 395—Also Trains = Minor to Major Impact
- E. Forrest/Brush Fire: Mountainside Fire or in the open land interface area involving homes in all wards = Minor to Major Impact
- F. Tornado or Severe Wind: Micro-burst winds = Minor to Major impact
- G. Technological, Power, Water, Gas, Phone, Disruption of Utility services =Minor to Major Impact
- H. Severe Weather: Especially heavy snow combined with drifting winds = Minor to Major Impact
- I. Economic: National and world Market forces could create recession conditions of varying Magnitude
- J. Pandemic/Epidemic: = Minor to Major Impact
- K. Terrorist: Targeted areas: Sparks Tank Farm, Airports (Reno/Stead), Military Sites, Church Buildings, UNR etc...

### What are the effects on the Ward/Family's/Stake?

- A. Structural Damage
- B. No Water
- C. No heat
- D. No Electricity
- E. Broken Gas Lines
- F. Trucks cannot bring in supplies due to road closures—Limited food, Gasoline and other Products
- G. Damaged Roads/Blocked Roads
- H. Grocery Store and other Business closures
- I. Forced Evacuations
- J. Sewer/Home Sanitation unavailable
- K. Communications Outage (Landline phones/Cordless phones/Cell Phones/Televisions etc...)
- L. Quarantine
- M. Church Building closures
- N. Bishop's Store House limited hours/Closure

### Family's Prepare by:

- A. 96 hour Kit (get home bag, get out of dodge bag)
- B. Emergency Water Storage (minimum of 2 weeks. \*\*1 gallon of water per person per day\*\*)
- C. 3 months supply of food, alternative cooking, heating, sanitation etc... (recipes to avoid food fatigue)
- D. Long Term Storage—Food, Clothing, Shelter, Sleeping bags etc...
- E. Family Home Evenings on Specific Preparedness Topics, Teaching but not instilling fear in children  
If ye are prepared = no fear.
- F. Develop a Family Emergency Plan
- G. Get a AM/FM Radio: Washoe County Emergency Center will broadcast on all stations AM & FM in the area of Western Nevada, Eastern Sierra down to Tonopah (AM 780 has a strong signal)
- I. Know who your Block Captain/Section Leader/Priesthood Leader is to report to in case of an emergency
- J. Have Red/Yellow/Green/Black Cards Readily available (to place in window to identify your status)  
Green = I/We are OK can help myself/ourselves  
Yellow = Need help NOT I need a band-aid—Those who are walking wounded can report to an emergency station (IE wherever the ward has designated for a triage area if need be)  
RED = Life Threatening or suspected life Threatening (example shock, unable to move, other medical conditions)  
Black = We have a Death

### Family's responsibility after an Emergency:

- A. Account for family Members and asses the Damages (ie: property)
- B. Turn off electricity, Water and gas IF you smell gas (a Rotten egg smell, ie: Sulfur smell), If you suspect a gas leak and/ Or are directed to do so by a community Response person or if needed.  
**\*\*\*Note: it takes the power company to turn the gas back on and it could take some time to do so the power company asks that you do not turn the gas back on by yourself\*\*\*\***
- C. Take Care of Individual and Family Needs First
- D. First Aid Needs
- E. Check with Ministering Families/Neighbors and report to priesthood leaders/ Section or Block captains who are over 5-8 households
- F. Report Family Status to Priesthood leaders/Block Captains
- G. Place GREEN/YELLOW/RED/BLACK card in your front window indicating your status\*\*\* it is imperative to put out a green card if you are ok, you could save a life by not wasting an emergency responders time.  
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### Wards Prepare by:

- A. Make a Ward Emergency Plan
- B. Section or Block Captains or Priesthood Leaders in Place and Trained for Checking on & reporting status of members/of group \*\*\*Have Drills No More than 6-8 Households\*\*\*
- C. Plan in place to communicate with the Stake (FMRS/GMRS-Small hand held 2-way radios, Phones, E-mail, Ham Radio's etc..)
- D. Identify and Encourage CERT Trained Ward Members
- E. Assess Resources and Skills in Each Ward (Electronic and Hard Copy)
- F. Make Sure Each Family has: GREEN, YELLOW, RED, BLACK Paper Denoting Status
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### Ward responsibility after an emergency:

- A. Implement Ward Emergency Planning
- B. Account for All Ward Members using section or block captains/Priesthood Leaders-Ward Member only/everyone
- C. Determine Members' Needs/Special Needs and formulate plan to address them
- D. Assess All special needs: ie: Disabilities, mobility issues, visual, hearing, mental, recent surgery's, widows, aged, members and non-members---(how do we know who has special needs-Ministering/Ward list -create a ward list with Names/Add/Phone & their special needs/disabilities/Issues etc)
- E. Arrange for Services as needed {shelter, equipment, sanitation, medical needs etc.. (who's gonna do what?) ie: Young Men, Young Women, Primary, Relief Society, Elders Quorum, Sunday School}
- G. Communicate with Stake and Report any needs that cannot be handled on the ward level
- F. Assist families that have been separated to reunite as soon as possible
- H. Assess Damage to homes
- I. Determine evacuation center – away from disaster: listen to the Radio and or follow local responders direction. Usually all High Schools, Lawlor Events Center, Convention Center and our Stake Center can be used upon approval.
- J. Animals: UNR equestrian Center, Live Stock Events Center, Small Domestic pets located near Humane Shelters (contact private providers-animal care, and Sykes?)
- K. Organize clean up crews.
- L. Stake Report to Local Government/First Responders/CERT/Area Authority/Salt Lake

**Responsibilities of Wards—cont.** (the following information is reported to the stake through the bishop or designated representative)

1. Determine and report the condition of Members and Missionaries—find where they live. “ section block captains and or priesthood leadership will do this and information will be given to the bishop who then contacts the stake.
2. Help to locate and reunite family members who have become separated.. utilizing ward council/priesthood ministers/sister ministers and other ward members
3. Obtain medical care for those who have been injured or who have other health challenges. Doctors/Nurses and other trained medical ward members including CERT Teams and First aid certified individuals. Medical needs will be reported to the Stake Council especially those that the ward cannot handle. (see list of Medical Personnel)
4. Needs that cannot be handled by the ward will be referred to the Stake
5. Assess needs and arrange for the supply of basic provisions and services for members and non-members living in ward/stake boundaries. **Wards take care of needs in ward boundaries and the stake helps fill in the gaps. Self Reliant = Self, Family, Extended Family, Church and Community**
  - A. Food (Relief Society/Young Women)
  - B. Temporary Shelters (young Men & Elders Quorum)
  - C. Sanitation (Elders Quorum)
  - D. Clothing (Young Women/Relief Society)
  - E. Primary children entertainment—who’s in charge ie games, coloring books, board games, books etc..

**In the period after Disaster:** (the Stake Council helps fill in the gaps where Wards cannot)

1. Wards aid members who have suffered damage to homes or belongings, emotional Trauma, or loss of livelihood.
  - a. Identify members in the ward who can give emotional counsel (see list of Professional counselors)
  - b. Identify members who will be willing to help with skills, equipment, and labor. (see handout of Church Guidelines on Volunteering.)
2. Work with Civil Authorities and Relief organizations to identify and respond to opportunities for the Church to assist with community needs. Bishops check with Stake President/Stake Counsel.

**Step 2: Gather Critical Information:**

1. Missionaries contact information (Mission President wants control of his missionaries)
2. Ward Map of all Members and Non-Members (including Missionaries)--Will be getting a map from Brother Keel on our next meeting on 12/4/18.
3. List of Members with Special Needs such as disabled, elderly, on Oxygen, housebound, mobility issues, etc...
4. list of Members with equipment or skills (such as Medical and emergency response training)
5. Communication specialist in each ward: Stays near Bishop to relay information to Stake President
6. Contact Information for Public Safety Agencies

**City Resources:**

Emergency Police/Fire: .....	911
Reno Fire: Non Emergency: .....	775-328-3659
Truckee Meadow Fire: .....	775-324-6000
Police: Non-Emergency: .....	775-334-2677
Sheriff's Office: .....	775-785-9276
Sheriff Search and Rescue:.....	911
REMSA: .....	911
St. Mary's.....	775-770-3000
Renown Regional Center.....	775-982-4100
Renown South Meadows.....	775-982-7000
Northern Nevada Hospital.....	775-331-7000
VA Hospital.....	775-786-7200
Washoe County Emergency Management: Aaron Kenneston....	337-5898
**Bob Miller AARES..Head communication for Washoe County Right Hand to Aaron Kenneston	
Red Cross:.....	775-856-1000
NV Energy power emergency repair.....	775-834-4100 (resources phone number)
Truckee Meadows Water (TMWA).....	775-934-8080
City of Reno Sewer.....	775-954-4601
Air Quality.....	775-784-7200 (AFTER HOURS: 775-784-7200)
Washoe County Animal Control.....	775-353-8900
NV Humane Society.....	775-856-2000
SPCA.....	775-324-7773
Roads.....	775-328-2180
AT&T.....	877-999-1085
Waste Management.....	775-329-8822
Washoe County Information Departments/Programs.....	211

#### **Step 4: Identify Emergency Communication Methods**

Howard Hill will be over the Stake Communications.

##### **Alternative communication methods:**

- a. Internet (email, social media) (Ward Web Site on Facebook—Friend it Follow it)
- b. Mass text messaging
- c. Radio including GMRS, FRS, Ham (2-way communications) on (?) frequency  
{get a list of ham radio operators in our ward}
- d. Personal contact on foot/bicycle/ATV etc.
  1. Youth in pairs carrying written messages
  2. Volunteers in pairs
  3. Full time missionaries can help
  4. AM/FM radio stations: All radio stations will broadcast emergency information  
Reno/Sparks area (780 AM is the strongest radio station)  
Western Nevada  
Eastern California ie: Bishop & Susanville  
Down to Tonopah

#### **Step 5: Encourage Member Preparation**

1. Regularly encourage members to engage in preparedness efforts and to follow the counsel outlined in the pamphlets “All is Safely Gathered In” and “Family Home Storage (04008) and Family Finance (04007)
2. Channels for doing this might include:
  - a. Quorum and Relief Society meetings
  - b. Sacrament meeting talks
  - c. Priesthood/sister ministering messages
  - d. Ward preparation coordinators
  - e. 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Meeting topics
3. Encourage members to do the following via publicizing in the weekly Sacrament Program or announce in: Relief Society, Elders Quorum, Young Women and Primary
  - a. Encourage members to put together a 96-hour kit
  - b. Encourage members to get a 2- week water storage
  - c. Encourage members to get a 3-month supply of food
  - d. Encourage members to have a long-term food storage
  - e. Encourage members to have alternate sources of: light, cooking source and power
  - f. Encourage members to have a family emergency plan
  - g. Encourage members to drill family members in case a disaster happens
  - h. Hold Preparedness workshops in above categories
4. Encourage attendance at Regional Preparedness Fair held once a year