Emergency Response Instructions

Steps to take in the event of an emergency

Command Center

After an emergency, the bishop or a member of the bishopric will be at the Command Center within 1 hour after a disaster to coordinate all emergency operations. The Command Center is at the church meetinghouse on 10980 S. 1700 E.

First Hour

1. Check on family

Family always comes first. Check on the safety of your family to ensure everyone is OK. Give first aid to anyone who needs it. Remember to stay safe.

2. Assess damage

Can you shelter in place? What will you need to make that possible? What damage is there?

3. Check utilities

If you have a gas leak (smell gas), water leak and/or no water pressure, turn those off. A power failure is usually area-wide. No need to turn the power off unless you have sparking, arcing or an electrical fire. Check all other utilities, both inside and outside.

4. Complete 10-Minute Emergency Home Survey

This is critical! Complete the 10-minute survey on your home. Then, complete the survey on your neighbors' homes if they are not able to. The surveys assist in coordinating and allocating resources where needed. Put your survey in the red envelope provided (if you have it). Take your survey and any others you see to the Command Center. If you are not able to go to the Command Center, post it in a conspicuous place outside for someone else to grab.

5. Turn on radios

Put fresh batteries in your FRS radios (walkie-talkies) and AM/FM radios. Turn your FRS radio to channel 10-10. Using your FRS radio, report your condition and needs or abilities to help. This is after your 10-minute survey has been submitted. Implement your communication plan to locate family members. If you are able, go to the Command Center to help assist with the response to help where needed.

First Day

1. Assess your place of shelter

Check to see if you are able to stay at your home. Are you able to stay inside or outside? Assess all options you have.

2. Plan and prepare

Take an inventory of your needs and your ability to meet those needs. There may not be an organized response to help you as quickly as you wish. You should prepare for the next 24—72 hours to be on your own.