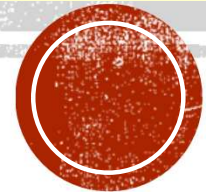


AFTER A DISASTER

What to do the **FIRST HOUR** and the **FIRST DAY**.



WHAT WOULD YOU DO RIGHT AFTER A SERIOUS DISASTER HITS?

Forty-six percent of individuals expect to rely a great deal on people in their neighborhood for assistance within the first 72 hours after a disaster.



FEMA ADVOCATES A **NEIGHBOR-TO-NEIGHBOR** **APPROACH.**

Comprehensive preparedness requires the whole community to participate, and FEMA places tremendous value on communities that embrace a local "Neighbors Helping Neighbors" approach.



CRESCENT 10TH RESPONSE PLAN: NEIGHBOR TO NEIGHBOR

- Bruce Myler, who has been a First Responder Firefighter for many years, has been creating a ward-wide response plan based on human nature: what people are most likely to do right after an emergency.
- It is a **Neighborhood Centered** and **Ward Supported** response to help you and those neighbors who live next door or close by.
- What will you do immediately?



FIRST HOUR

Family first!

- First priority: Determine where everyone is.
- Be sure your children know what to do if:
 - A. They are home alone
 - B. They are at school
- Is anyone hurt?
 - Give First Aid



ASSESS THE DAMAGE TO YOUR HOME

- **Can you shelter in place?**
- **What will you need to make that possible?**
- **Type of damage.**



ASSESS THE ELECTRICAL POWER

- **1. Has the power gone off?**
 - **Check inside and outside.**

When should you worry?

Downed power lines in your neighborhood.

Do not touch them.



NATURAL GAS

2. Check the natural gas.

Can you smell gas?

Check to see if a pilot light is on. If there are no pilot lights on, what does that mean?



NATURAL GAS: WHEN TO TURN IT OFF OR ON.

Check to see if the gas is flowing.
Look at the outside meter. Is it moving?
Check pilot lights in the house.

1. Turn it off outdoors IF:

You smell gas.

If you smell a strong odor: open doors and turn off the gas outside.

BUT: If there is no odor, LEAVE IT ON.

2. IF IT IS NOT WORKING AT ALL:

WAIT until the gas comes on again.

CHECK once more to see if you smell gas.

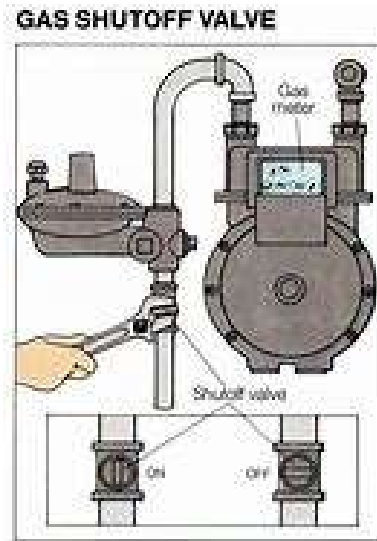
Outside? Turn off the valve.

Inside? Use liquid or a gas detector wand.

If you can isolate it to, say, the water heater, you can turn off only that and continue to use other appliances.



TURNING NATURAL GAS OFF



ON: Vertical.
In line with
the pipe.

OFF: Horizontal.
Perpendicular
to the pipe.



Indoor gas valve
handle



CHECK FOR CLEAN WATER

- **3. Check for water flowing at a sink.**
- No water?
- What does that mean?
- IF there is no water pressure, then the sewer may or may not be functioning.



FILL OUT THE 10-MINUTE SURVEY

- **Injuries**
- **Property damage**
- **Utilities**



- Place it in the **RED plastic sleeve** and take it to the Command Center (stake center).
- OR, tape it outside the house in a conspicuous place.
- If you are outside helping and see a red plastic sleeve, take it to the Command Center.

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|---|--|
| Occupant Name _____ | Occupant Address _____ |
| Survey Done By: _____ | |
| 10-Minute Emergency Home Survey | |
| <p>Instructions: fill out a survey for your house and another for your neighbors' home. Place each one inside a red plastic sleeve and it take to the Command Center (church meetinghouse at 10980 S. 1700 E.) within 1 hour.</p> | |
| CHECK ALL THAT APPLY | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> No Problems <input type="checkbox"/> Available to Help others. | |
| ALL FAMILY MEMBERS ACCOUNTED FOR <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No INJURIES <input type="checkbox"/> None <input type="checkbox"/> Minor – No help needed <input type="checkbox"/> Injuries – Delayed help is ok <input type="checkbox"/> Immediate Life Threat <input type="checkbox"/> Trapped with Injuries UTILITIES DAMAGED <input type="checkbox"/> None <input type="checkbox"/> Water <input type="checkbox"/> Sewer <input type="checkbox"/> Gas <input type="checkbox"/> Power PET/LIVESTOCK INJURIES <input type="checkbox"/> Yes. If Yes, which pets/livestock: <input type="checkbox"/> No | PROPERTY DAMAGE <input type="checkbox"/> None <input type="checkbox"/> Damaged but Occupiable <input type="checkbox"/> Damaged Beyond Occupation <input type="checkbox"/> Collapse <input type="checkbox"/> Collapse with Entrapment <input type="checkbox"/> Fire <input type="checkbox"/> Haz-Mat SECURITY ISSUES <input type="checkbox"/> None <input type="checkbox"/> Theft <input type="checkbox"/> Trespass <input type="checkbox"/> Held Hostage EVACUATED? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes If yes, what is the destination: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> No CONTACT METHODS Radio Set to Channel 10-10? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Cell Phone #: _____ Land Line #: _____ |
| ----- LIST ANY IMMEDIATE HELP NEEDED: _____ | |



COMMUNICATIONS

- **1. Get out the emergency FRS radios (like Walkie-Talkies) and put in fresh batteries.**
 - Tune to channel 10-10 (10th ward. Get it?)
- **2. Get your portable AM/FM radio and put in fresh batteries.**



GO CHECK ON YOUR NEIGHBORS!

- **Help neighbors fill out and post the 10-minute survey.**
 - **Check for medical needs**
 - **Check their utilities**
 - **Check if they need help.**



FIRST DAY

Will you shelter in place?

▪ **If the answer is NO:**

- Do you have a plan of where to go?
- How far can you walk with your 72-hour kits?
- Do you have a vehicle that can take you over rough roads?



SHELTERING IN PLACE

- **If the answer is YES:**

- Can you shelter inside the house?

- **If not:**

Do you have an RV, camp trailer, or tent where you can stay and remain on your property??



SHELTERING IN PLACE: PRIORITY 1

- **Sanitation is one of your IMMEDIATE priorities.**
- **Until you know if the sewer lines are intact, avoid flushing toilets.**
- **Set up a temporary bathroom.** (It should not be an open trench.)
- **Set up handwashing stations.**



SHELTERING IN PLACE: PRIORITY 2

MEAL PREP AREA

- **Set up a food prep area with a way to keep any water from going down the drain until you know if the sewer system is intact.**
- **Where will you be cooking?**
 - **Inside on butane burners?**
 - **Outside using charcoal or a propane grill?**

Hint: If you have something simple on hand to eat immediately, like granola bars, pass them out to the family fairly soon.

Food is comfort. Food is strength.



SHELTERING IN PLACE: PRIORITY 3

- **Where will family members sleep?**
 - See that there is a comfortable place for everyone to sleep.
 - IF you cannot sleep in your own bed, plan for:
 - Winter/Summer/Outdoor/Indoor,
including setting up a tent **INSIDE** if it is extremely cold.



SUMMARY

FIRST HOUR

Check whereabouts and physical condition of everyone in your family.

Give First Aid

Check utilities

Fill out the 10-minute survey

Take it to the Command Center or post it outside the home.

Go check on your neighbor.



SUMMARY

FIRST DAY

Stay? Or leave?

If you leave, let your neighbor know where you are going and make a note of it on your 10-minute survey.

If you shelter in place:

Prepare Sanitation Facilities.

Prepare Cooking Facilities.

Prepare safe sleeping areas.

FINALLY, grab a broom.

It is time to begin cleanup.



**GET PREPARED,
THEN SLEEP AT NIGHT IN PEACE.**

- **We will work together to help each other, and it will all turn out okay in the end.**

