



# Get ready, Gorge!

We live in a beautiful and remote area with weather and natural hazards. Be prepared. Disasters and emergencies can happen at any time.

## EMERGENCY KIT CHECKLIST

- Food**, at least a three-day supply of non-perishable food
- Water**, one gallon of water per person and pet per day for at least three days, for drinking and sanitation
- Radio**, battery-powered or hand crank with NOAA weather and tone alert
- Flashlight, headlamp, extra batteries** for radio and lights
- First aid kit**
- Whistle to** signal for help
- Dust mask** or cotton t-shirt to help filter the air
- Moist towelettes, garbage bags, plastic ties** for sanitation
- Wrench or pliers** to turn off utilities. Know where and how shut off valves.
- Manual can/bottle openers, plates, utensils, paper towels**
- Maps and documents** - insurance information, contact information, family emergency plan, etc.
- Coats, shoes, clothing**
- Unique family needs** - prescription medicines, glasses, infant formula, diapers, pet supplies including crates.

## 1. Get a Kit of emergency supplies.

Be prepared to make it on your own for at least three days, it may be up to three weeks.



Make two kits – a larger kit at home and a small kit in the car.

## 2. Make a Plan for family emergencies.

Sit down together, plan and practice in advance. Your family may not be together when disaster strikes, so plan how you will communicate and meet up, how you will get away from danger and where you will go. If you evacuate, take your emergency supply kit and pets, however public shelters may not allow pets inside.

Set up family meeting points where you can find each other and leave messages if you are separated. Power may be out and cell phones may not be working. Find out how schools and your employer will reach you if needed.

Have an out of state contact that all family members call. If you can't reach each other, it may be easier to make a long-distance call than to call locally. Be sure everyone knows the number and has coins or a prepaid phone card.

## 3. Stay informed.

Get Hood River County emergency alerts: [www.HoodRiverSheriff.com](http://www.HoodRiverSheriff.com)

