

5 STEPS TO NEIGHBORHOOD PREPAREDNESS BLUEPRINT

PLANNING TIMELINE

PART 1: NEIGHBORHOOD DISASTER PLAN



Define your Area

Identify an area that you can easily organize (your apartment building, neighborhood block, community center, etc.).

Recruit Leaders

Develop a team of leaders who can help build the plan and carry out emergency support activities.

Scout the Area

Get to know what resources you have, what the landscape is, and disasters or other emergencies likely to occur in your area.



PART 2: NEIGHBORHOOD DRILL

Plan the Strategy

Create a plan that outlines what your neighborhood will do before, during, and after a disaster!

Build Your Team

Find out who lives in your area, how they can help in a disaster, and who may need extra help.



Set a Drill Date

Identify some preliminary dates for the drill making sure to get community consensus. Consider posting to Facebook, Nextdoor or other social media sites to spread the word.

Get Organized

Identify planning meeting dates, team members, resources and research training opportunities like those offered by CERT or the Red Cross. Strategize pre and post drill participant briefings so participants will know what to expect and how to improve.

Exercise Your Plan

Conduct a drill in accordance with your Plan! Update your plan with lessons learned from the drill or any real life experiences.

