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## **Beverly Hills Joins National Preparedness Month Efforts** *Community is Encouraged to Plan and Prepare for Emergencies*

**Beverly Hills, CA** – September is National Preparedness Month and residents and businesses in Beverly Hills are encouraged to review their emergency plans to ensure they are up-to-date.

National Preparedness Month is a nationwide campaign held to encourage Americans to take simple steps to prepare for emergencies in their homes, businesses and schools. The goal is to raise public awareness and inspire a “call to action” by community members to take the necessary steps to protect life and property.

“It’s important that we plan for any disaster, big or small, so that we are able to protect ourselves and our families at all times,” said City of Beverly Hills Emergency Management Manager, Meena Janmohamed. “We want to continue to educate the community on ways to plan ahead as part of this annual campaign.”

To be adequately prepared for an emergency, residents are encouraged to be self-sufficient for at least seven days, even up to two weeks. A major disaster could overwhelm emergency and city service resources, delaying attention to those in need.

Tips include: Making a Plan (visit [ready.gov/plan](https://www.ready.gov/plan)) with family members and discuss how to communicate before, during and after a disaster; Build a Kit (visit [beverlyhills.org/emergencysupplykit](https://www.beverlyhills.org/emergencysupplykit)) by gathering supplies that will last for several days and Stay Informed (visit [beverlyhills.org/disaster](https://www.beverlyhills.org/disaster)) and sign-up for the City’s emergency notifications as well as its Earthquake Reporting App ([beverlyhills.org/reportquake](https://www.beverlyhills.org/reportquake)).

For additional information on how to prepare and how to gather emergency supplies, visit [beverlyhills.org/emergencymanagement](https://www.beverlyhills.org/emergencymanagement) or call (310) 285-1014.

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