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Premier Public Safety Services for Oregon

Be Prepared When Disaster Strikes

Wildland fires affect individuals and families in our communities yearly. The following items are suggested things to gather into a large container:

- Flashlights with plenty of extra batteries
- First aid kit
- Prescription medications and eyeglasses
- Water (at least one gallon per person)
- Food that does not require refrigeration or cooking
- Sleeping bag and clothing for each family member
- If there are infants or elderly residents, include all essential equipment and devices
- Take important documents such as proof of residence, insurance policies, birth certificates, prescriptions, wills and deeds
- Have photos of valuables for identification or recovery. This list could help prove the value to what you owned if possessions are damaged or destroyed

What to do about pets:

Since pets, other than service animals, aren't allowed in most shelters, find out in advance which friends would be willing to take your pet or which motels takes pets. You can also receive assistance from the Pet Evacuation Team and the Humane Society during an emergency, but be prepared to show vaccination records and have a carrier and a leash ready to go. If you have large animals and time permits, get them out of the area before an evacuation occurs. With the excitement of lights and sirens, they may be hard to catch. Below are some suggestions for a pet evacuation kit:

- Portable carrier and leash
- Litter box and supplies, if you have cats
- Vaccination records and any medications
- Prepared instructions on feeding and dietary restrictions in case you need to leave animals in another's care while evacuated
- Current photos in case your pet gets lost
- Make sure your pet is always wearing up-to-date identification tags