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SEPTEMBER IS NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS MONTH

For 2024, FEMA's National Preparedness focus is on our Asian American, Native Hawaiian & Pacific Islander communities





FEMA has made their preparedness materials available in languages other than English. This information can be <u>shared</u> <u>and downloaded</u>

<u>Please watch FEMA's message</u> on the importance for these diverse communities to prepare for disasters and emergencies.



- Know how you will contact one another to reconnect If separated.
- Establish a family meeting place that's familiar and easy to find.
- Do not forget to think about specific needs In your family (which may change over time).
- Update your plan regularly.



The Recent Shakers Are Reminders That We Live In Earthquake Country



LEARN ABOUT THE EARTHQUAKE COUNTRY ALLIANCE'S 7 STEPS TO EARTHQUAKE SAFETY<u>HERE</u> **"CURB" YOUR BEHAVIOR - TRAFFIC SAFETY AS KIDS ARE BACK IN SCHOOL**



It is important for everyone to stay aware, yet remain courteous, with increased traffic returning to school zones.

Drive carefully in school zones, especially during pick-up and drop-off times. This includes remembering what to do around school buses.

The safest action to take is to stop the car when you encounter a school bus with a stop sign and flashing red lights. There are going to be students getting on and off the school bus.



BE PREPARED FOR WILDFIRES

This month's focus: Evacuations



Beforehand: Build a Go-Bag, and have an evacuation plan



Afterwards: Return home only when local authorities say it is safe.



During: By leaving early, you will give your family the best chance of surviving a wildfire. You also help firefighters by keeping roads clear of congestion. Grab these "6 P's" When immediate evacuation is required: People and pets

Papers, phone numbers, important documents Prescriptions, vitamins, and eyeglasses Pictures and irreplaceable memorabilia Personal computer, thumb drives Plastic (credit/debit cards) and cash

FIND MORE INFORMATION ON WILDFIRE-SPECIFIC EVACUATIONS AT: WWW.LAFD.ORG/QUICK-EVACUATION -TIPS