



COUNTY OF LEHIGH

Emergency Services

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The Lehigh County Office of Emergency Services is a multi-faceted agency providing various services to the citizens and visitors of Lehigh County. These services include:

- Lehigh County Emergency Management Agency
 - To prepare, maintain and keep current an Emergency Operations Plan (EOP).
 - To establish, equip and staff an Emergency Operations Center (EOC), consolidated with warning and communications systems.
 - To organize, prepare and coordinate all locally available manpower, materials, supplies, equipment, facilities and services necessary for disaster emergency readiness, response and recovery.
 - Provide prompt and accurate information regarding local emergencies to appropriate Commonwealth and local officials and agencies and the general public.
- 9-1-1 Communications Center
 - A fire, an automobile accident, a robbery, a burglary, a prowler outside your home, when someone is sick or injured so badly that they need to go to the hospital.
 - Non-emergency calls should be placed on normal telephone numbers which may be found in the telephone book. Calls to areas in Lehigh County, **not including** the Cities of Allentown and Bethlehem, should be made to 610-437-5252. Callers in the City of Allentown should dial 610-437-7751; in the City of Bethlehem callers should dial 610-865-7171.
- Lehigh County Special Operations
 - Trench Rescue
 - Confined Space Rescue
 - High-Angle/Rope Rescue
 - Hazardous Materials (Haz-Mat) Response
- Citizens Corp
 - The mission of Citizen Corps is to harness the power of every individual through education, training, and volunteer service to make communities safer, stronger, and better prepared to respond to the threats of terrorism, crime, public health issues, and disasters of all kinds.
- Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC)
 - A Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) serves as a focal point in the community for information about hazardous substances, emergency planning, health and environmental risks.


 **Ready...Pack...Go**


Preparing Our Communities for
Emergencies and Disasters




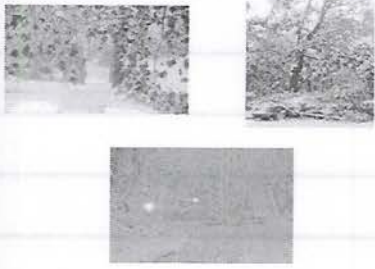
 **Workshop will provide:**

- Be aware of the need to be prepared
- Assemble an Emergency Supply Kit
- Develop a Family Emergency Plan
- Future Training

 **Super Storm Sandy
October 30, 2012**






 **Snow Storm –
October 30, 2011**



 **Hurricane Irene
August 28, 2011**

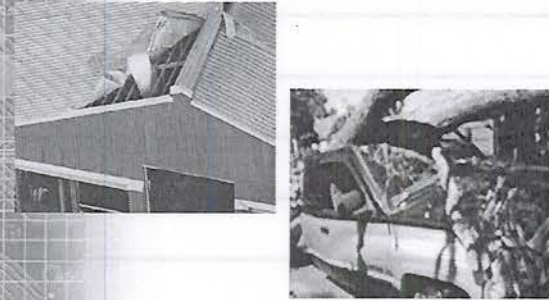


 **Allentown Gas Explosion
February 9, 2011**





New Tripoli Tornado July 14, 2010



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Dieruff High School Tornado (September 6, 2008)



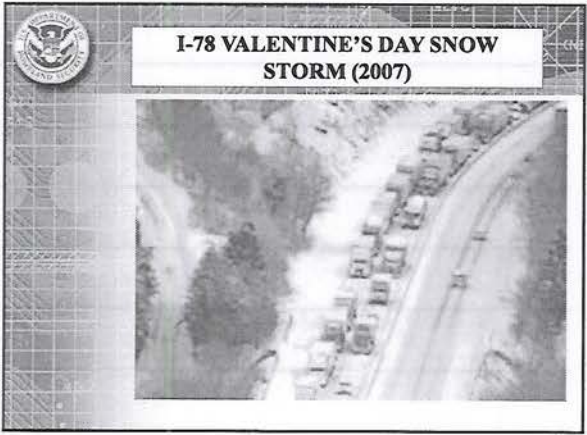
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Flooding March 2007




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I-78 VALENTINE'S DAY SNOW STORM (2007)

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- Examples of Hazards Include:**
- Weather (Tornado, Snow, Flooding, Etc.)
 - Hazardous Material Event
 - Terrorist (Chemical, Biological, Radiation)
 - Fire
 - Gas Leak
 - Power Outage
 - Explosion
 - Traffic



Lehigh County Citizen Corps cannot do it alone...residents need to be prepared to respond to emergencies



Residents are prepared when they:

- Get Informed
- Make a Plan
- Assemble a Kit
- Get Involved



Get Informed!



American Red Cross
www.redcross.org



Federal Emergency Management Agency
www.fema.gov



Ready
Prepare. Plan. Stay Informed.
www.ready.gov



Department of Homeland Security
www.dhs.gov




National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration
www.noaa.gov

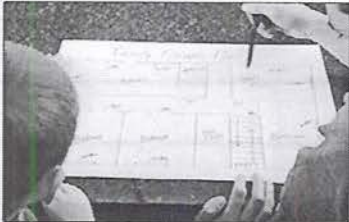



Warning Systems





- Emergency Alert System (EAS)
- NOAA Weather Radio
- Lehigh County Alert-
<https://lehigh.alert.pa.org/>


Escape Routes




Make a Family Disaster Plan




Family Disaster Plan

- Knowing how to protect your family in all types of emergencies
- Knowing warning signs and alert systems
- Evacuating from a disaster area
- Incorporating community, school, and other plans
- Find the best escape routes



Family Disaster Plan

- Have a family communication plan
- Shut off utilities (gas, electric, and water)
- Get insurance
- Caring for animals
- Learning safety skills




Family Communication Plan

- Out-of-state contacts
- Needed information about each family member
- Where to go in an emergency
- Practice the plan with your family regularly.




Assemble Disaster Supply Kit






Disaster Supply Kit

- Build an emergency supply kit that includes enough supplies for each family member for three days.
- Remember to check your kit every six months.




DISASTER SUPPLIES KIT




Disaster Supply Kit

There are six things you should stock for your home, car or workplace in case of an emergency:

- Water
- Food
- First Aid Supplies
- Clothing and Bedding
- Tools and Emergency Supplies
- Special Items for Medical Conditions




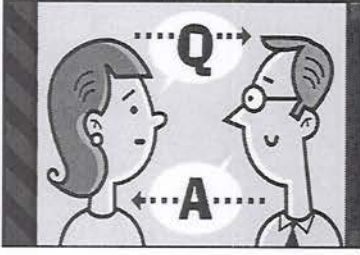
DISASTER SUPPLIES KIT




Business Preparedness

- Emergency Planning and Partnership Workshop
 - Friday, November 7, 2014
 - 8:30 - 11:30 am
 - Northampton Community College

 **Questions and Answers**



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