

Campo Walk

"Community Emergency Response Team" Notes

Saturday, January 10, 2021

Dear Neighbors,

What a year 2020 was ... a harsh reminder that in emergencies communities and neighbors must work together and be prepared. In our modern world who would have thought that items like toilet paper and food staples would not be readily available, that you could not freely walk into a hair salon or barber, a gym or a restaurant, and that we would be asked to limit travel away from our homes except for essential work, to obtain food or seek needed medical care.

Now into a new year, thankfully with the availability now of vaccines to control Covid-19, we need to remember that we must still stay prepared for other emergencies. While our Long Beach water supply has never been compromised by the pandemic, for weeks bottled water was difficult to obtain. In the case of a severe earthquake our water supply could be destroyed, and the ability to obtain bottled water prevented by damaged bridges.

On your next trip to the store please consider purchasing extra bottles of water and essential non-perishable items. The Red Cross recommends 1 gallon of water per day per each person in your household, and that we have supplies for at least three days.

Basic supplies for a preparedness kit:

- Water (1 gal/person/day)
- Non-perishable food items (3-day supply)
- Flashlight (w/new batteries)
- First aid kit
- Medications (7-day supply)
- Personal hygiene items
- Emergency blankets
- Copies of personal documents
- Cell phone w/chargers
- Extra cash (including small bills)
- Battery powered or hand-crank radio

Let's stay prepared for a safe and healthy 2021!

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