

PLANNING FOR EVACUATION: ACCESS & FUNCTIONAL NEEDS EDITION

Who are community members with Access and Functional Needs?

Nevada Division of Emergency Management identifies its priority populations in a disaster as people with disabilities and access and functional Needs (AFN). These are individuals who may have additional needs that must be considered in planning for, responding to, and recovering from an emergency or disaster. The CMIST framework assists with the implementation of five basic functional areas for vulnerable populations.

Including but not limited to:

- Limited Mobility
- Blind or Low Vision
- Deaf, Deaf-Blind, Hard of Hearing
- Intellectual Disabilities
- Older Adults and Children
- Limited or Non-English Speaking
- Limited Resources
- Clients of Criminal Justice System
- Transportation Disadvantaged
- Experiencing Homelessness or Transitional Housing
- Experiencing Domestic Violence
- Refugee & Immigrant Communities
- Undocumented Persons
- Individuals with Psychological Disability
- Individuals Requiring Supervision
- Medical Needs
- People Who are Dependent on Drugs or Alcohol



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Communication Plan



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WE ARE STRONGER TOGETHER: BUILDING A SUPPORT TEAM

Establish a team of people around you who can help in emergencies. Look for people you see most often, like neighbors, friends, family and coworkers — they're the real first responders in most emergencies. In most disasters, 70% of first responders are the individuals you interact with most.

Expand your support circles where you spend most of your day—at work, home, school, or volunteering. It's crucial, especially when you can't predict who will be around at any given time.

Recruit and train individuals around you who are dependable and have the emotional and physical capacity to aid you.



A COMMUNITY IS SAFER THAN AN INDIVIDUAL

Relying on just one person is risky. If you depend solely on members of your family or personal assistance services, like caregivers, they may not be available when you need them, and loved ones are likely to experience burnout. That's why it's crucial to have a support team with multiple individuals.

**Ask for help when you need it,
give help when you can.**



Access & Functional
Needs Resources



A disaster checklist will vary based on the needs of each individual or household. Below are some examples:





Some individualized items you may need depending on your situation include:



Prescriptions Durable Medical Equipment Ice Chest Backup Supply of Oxygen

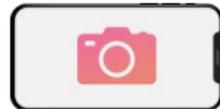


Whistle Backup Batteries List of medications, devices, instructions, allergies, etc. Insurance Cards

Scan these QR codes for more information



Emergency Supply Checklist



Pet Checklist Formfill

To scan QR Codes, access your camera app on your phone, and hold the camera close to the code above. A link should appear. If it does not, search "QR Code Scanner" in your app store.

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HEARING & SIGHT

- Extra glasses or contacts
- Pen and paper
- Weather radio (with text display and a flashing alert)
- Braille Labels or Label Maker
- Extra hearing-aid batteries
- Laminated cards with phrases

MOBILITY

- Cane or Walker
- Wheelchair
- Portable air pump
- Wheelchair Battery

SENSORY & INTELLECTUAL

- Sensory or Noise Cancelling Devices
- Tactile Fidget Toys
- Device Loaded with Activities
- Comfort Snacks
- Small Pop-Up Tent (to decrease visual stimulation in a busy room or to provide instant privacy).