Evacuation Planning – What Ifs

(Below are suggestions. Add anything else you think about. Use your imagination!)

Consider the reason for the evacuation. Earthquake, Building Fire, Flooding, Active Shooter, etc.

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| **What if you can’t go back inside?*** Access to important documents/records
* Laptops/Computers
* Irreplaceable items
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| **What if it’s hot?*** Something to provide shade (trees, tarp, garbage bag, umbrella)
* Water
* Car A/C\*
* Walk to nearby building\*
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| **What if it’s cold?*** Warmth (jacket, gloves, space blanket, car heater\*)
* Walk to a nearby building\*
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| **What if it’s raining?*** Umbrella
* Rain Coat (33-gallon garbage bag, space blanket)
* Place to sit down (tarp, chairs/benches\*\*, car\*)
* Walk to nearby building\*
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| **What if you can’t go home right away? (Driveway blocked, roads damaged/flooded)*** Sit in car\*
* Arrangements to pick up children, care for pets, other family
* Snacks
* Medications
* Change of clothes/shoes
* Charger for phone
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| **What if someone is injured?*** First aid kit
* Basic First Aid training
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| **What if you need a bathroom?*** 5 gallon bucket, garbage bags, tarp for privacy, toilet paper
* Wag bags
* Sanitary items
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| **What if phones are not working and you need to report an injury or rescue?*** Ham radio
* Runner to nearest government site
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| **Any other What Ifs?** |
| **Special Considerations**Fire – If bad air quality, need N95 masksFlood – Avoid driving through water more than 6” deepActive Shooter – If you “run” go all the way off site and warn othersEarthquake – Keep away from the building until it’s inspected, don’t stand between cars. |
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| \* If you leave your evacuation location, tell staff where you will be. |