

Waldo County Emergency Preparedness Supplies Checklist

Get Home Bag Checklist

Should a disaster strike (hurricane, earthquake, electromagnetic pulse, solar storm, tornado, etc.) and you are not home, you will want to get home to your family. But what if the roads are blocked with debris or you can't get gas for your car or cars aren't working?

You'll want to have a Get Home Bag ready and with you. Store this bag at your place of work or in your car. Its purpose is to assist you to get back home, just one time, without access to your normal means of transportation.

- Ergonomic small/medium sized backpack to hold items
- Bottled Water
- Water purification bottle or a LifeStraw
- Food: lightweight, nutrient dense food such as energy bars
- A flashlight with extra batteries stored exterior to flashlight
- Small first aid kit, supplemented with trauma pads, and athletic tape
- Signal whistle
- Lighter or waterproof matches
- Small bottle of hand sanitizer, lip balm, pain relievers
- Toilet paper (folded flat and put in a plastic ziplock bag)
- Moist towelettes,
- Trash bag and plastic zip ties
- Pocket multi-tool knife
- Work gloves
- Cell phone with portable charger
- Mylar blanket
- Fleece or small wool blanket
- Roll of electrical tape
- Rain poncho
- 100' paracord
- Sturdy shoes (leave your fancy work shoes at work)
- Long sleeved shirt
- Long pants
- Two pairs of socks
- Hat
- Cold weather jacket
- Regional map and a compass

Optional Additions

- Two-way radio (store batteries outside of the units themselves)
- Additional pair of prescription glasses
- Notebook and pencil