

CITY OF MT. SHASTA PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

WINTER STORM PREPAREDNESS

The City of Mt. Shasta and the public safety agencies of our community would like to educate and empower the citizens of Mt. Shasta to take some simple steps to prepare for and respond to potential emergencies, including winter storm emergencies, extended power outage or other types of emergencies. With the quickly becoming wintery, the time is now to start preparing this winter.

All citizens of Mt. Shasta should have some basic supplies on hand in order to at worst case scenario, survive an emergency or to simply get through an emergency easier if we were prepared. The supplies on hand should be enough to last at least three days if an emergency occurs. The recommended list of supplies is as follows:

- ✓ Water, one gallon per person per day for at least three days for drinking and sanitation.
- ✓ Food, at least a three-day supply of non-perishable food.
- ✓ Battery-powered or hand crank radio and a NOAA Weather Radio with extra batteries.
- ✓ Flashlight and extra batteries.
- ✓ First aid kit.
- ✓ Whistle to signal for help if needed.
- ✓ Moist towelettes, garbage bags for personal sanitation.
- ✓ Minor tool kit.
- ✓ Can opener for food.
- ✓ Matches for fire and heat.
- ✓ Change of clothes and blanket.

This check list is an extremely basic emergency kit. Other considerations may need to be added such as prescription medication if required. If the family has infants, possible formula and extra diapers would be needed. Pets are an additional consideration along with pet food. Some extra cash may be appropriate, paper and pencil along with any items that can assist with providing safety or lifesaving assistance.

The City of Mt. Shasta welcomes any questions regarding winter preparedness. Citizens can contact the Mt. Shasta Police Department with questions at 530-926-7540. Additional disaster preparedness information can be obtained through the Red Cross or Homeland Security websites.