



During a disaster, you may have difficulty finding water, food, shelter, and other daily resources. <u>It's important to be self-sufficient</u> if these resources are unavailable, but here are a few things to keep in mind if disaster strikes.



If you need assistance during a disaster, the <u>Red Cross</u>, <u>FEMA</u>, local community organizations, city, county and state agencies will be available to help. They can be important resources for shelter, food and other daily necessities.



Consider donating your time, money or resources. Red Cross accepts monetary donations and volunteering your time or donating materials to a local charity can make a big difference to someone in need.



Power and internet outages can occur, leaving you without the ability to purchase goods with credit cards. If possible, emergency planners recommend having enough cash on hand to pay one month of living expenses and keeping bills of each denomination, with the majority in \$20s and \$10s.



If possible, keep credit card balances paid in full or with a low balance. If systems are functioning properly, a credit card could be invaluable to help you with expenses related to an emergency.

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How is your emergency kit coming along? We want to see it. Send pictures of your progress to communications@tvwd.org. We will feature customer photos in future newsletters.

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