



NEWSLETTER

March



It's not luck, it's planning.

DURING THE MONTH OF MARCH, THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT ENCOURAGES YOU TO INTEGRATE YOUR PETS INTO YOUR PREPAREDNESS PLAN AND PRACTICE FLOOD AND TSUNAMI SAFETY.

FLOOD SAFETY



Flooding is a temporary overflow of water onto land that is normally dry. Floods are the most common disaster in the United States. Failing to evacuate flooded areas or entering flood waters can lead to injury or death. DO NOT walk, swim or drive through flood waters. Turn Around. Don't Drown!

It is important to know the difference between a flood warning, watch, and advisory. See below for more information.

FLOOD WATCH

Be prepared!
A Flood Watch is issued when conditions are favorable for flooding. It does not mean flooding will occur, but it is possible.

FLOOD ADVISORY

Be aware!
A Flood Advisory is issued when flooding is not expected to be bad enough to issue a warning. However, it may cause significant inconvenience, and if caution is not exercised, it could lead to situations that may threaten life and/or property.

FLOOD WARNING

Take Action!
A Flood Warning is issued when the hazardous weather event is imminent or already happening.

Source: [National Weather Service](#)

TSUNAMI PREPAREDNESS WEEK

All Californians are encouraged to plan and register for #TsunamiPrep activities (at work, school, and home) to be counted as part of California's 2024 Tsunami Preparedness Week (March 23 - 31) or on any other day of the year!

In order to stay safe, it is key to understand the signs of a potential tsunami, such as an earthquake, a loud roar from the ocean, or unusual ocean behavior, such as a sudden rise or wall of water or sudden draining of water showing the ocean floor.

Did You Know?

For more information, visit tsunamizone.org

TSUNAMIS CAN TRAVEL 20-30 MILES PER HOUR WITH WAVES 10-100 FEET HIGH.

THEY CAN CAUSE FLOODING AND DISRUPT TRANSPORTATION, POWER, COMMUNICATIONS AND THE WATER SUPPLY.

IF THE SOURCE IS DISTANT, YOU MAY HAVE HOURS BEFORE WAVES ARRIVE; IF NEARBY, JUST A MATTER OF MERE MINUTES.

Don't leave pet preparedness up to chance.

Have a picture of you and your pet together.

Keep a picture of you and your pet together in case you become separated from your pet during an emergency. This will also help you document ownership and allow others to assist you in identifying your pet.

BEING READY IS BETTER THAN BEING LUCKY!

Have your pet microchipped.

Make sure to keep your address and phone number up-to-date and include contact information for an emergency contact outside of your immediate area.

Prepare an emergency supply kit for your pet(s).

- extra collar with ID tag
- a harness, leash, crate or sturdy carrier
- food and water
- any necessary medication
- grooming supplies
- first aid kit
- sanitation needs