

# Emergency Preparedness



## **OCES Educator Guide:**

### **Emergency Preparedness Focus and Objectives:**

Being residents of Oklahoma requires resiliency when it comes to natural and manmade disasters. As OCES Educators, we hope that this packet will not have to be used but our history reflects that we must be prepared. Our emphasis to use “science-based information relevant to improving the quality of life for people of Oklahoma” requires each county to be in the forefront of providing hands-on information in the event of a disaster.

### **Objectives:**

Each county OCES offices will need to address the Emergency Preparedness File by:

- Placing the electronic file on their desktop by using an Icon shortcut for immediate accessibility
- Making a hard copy of the information to be placed in a notebook labeled as “Emergency Preparedness” to have available during power outage emergencies
- Keeping the file electronically updated as OCES state and area specialists sends out new articles on food/water safety issues, horticulture issues, and other pertinent information

### **File Content:**

News articles (Food Safety, Emergency Water Supply, Pet Safety)  
Food Safety (Planning, Preparation, Refrigerating, Freezing)  
Health Issues (Diabetes, Disabilities)  
Survival Kits (Legal replacement files, Evacuation Lists)  
Emergency Preparedness Powerpoint

### **Target Audiences:**

Service Organizations  
Schools  
Parent Groups  
OCES Partners

## Preparation:

- Be familiar with the Powerpoint outline. Notes for each slide can be localized.
- Have packet of materials with the county contact information available in **hard copy** for each participant. Note: Hardcopy is the key for emergency preparedness since most disasters involve power outages. Always emphasize preventive measures to photocopy information prior to a disaster. Ask participants to do “homework” following the workshop. They need to develop a survival kit in 3 stages. Keep their hardcopy file with the kits.

- A. Place the items from the Evacuation List in a suitcase or backpack (flight equipment). This bag of items must be stored in a convenient place to “grab and take flight” whether they are fleeing from a tornado, flood, fire, domestic abuse spouse, man-made disaster, ect.
- B. Place food items listed in the T-3507 Fact Sheet in a plastic container that can be sealed against pests. Replace items twice a year.
- C. Place water items listed in the BAE-1519 Fact Sheet in an additional plastic container

- Consider distributing copies of CDs from the electronic file to groups to have for resources.

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