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Be prepared in case of a disaster

September is National Preparedness Month, and hurricane season does not officially end until November 30. Therefore, being prepared is critical. In Hawaii, due to our isolation, we encourage residents to stock up on 14 days' worth of appropriate supplies.

Have an emergency plan and stay informed!

Here are some tips to help better develop a disaster plan that will keep you, your friends, and family safe:

• Build an emergency kit that includes a gallon of water per person per day,

nonperishable food, manual can opener, flashlight, battery-powered radio, first-aid kit, medications, multipurpose tool, toiletries, extra change of clothes, bedding, copies of important papers, cell phone chargers, extra cash, blankets, maps of the area and emergency contact information, and infant and pet supplies if applicable.

• Talk with household members and create an evacuation plan. Practicing the plan minimizes confusion and fear during the event.



People need to be safe and prepared when disaster strikes.

- Be informed. Learn about the community's hurricane response plan. Plan routes to local shelters, stay tuned to media sources.
- Download the free Red Cross Emergency App to select up to 35 different severe weather and emergency alerts on your mobile device. Find the app at your smartphone app store or at redcross.org/apps.

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For more information, go to redcross.org/local/hawaii/about-us/our-work/disaster-preparedness.html

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On a Personal Note

Coralie Matayoshi Regional CEO

It pays to be prepared. Anyone who's survived a hurricane, flood, home fire, or similarly terrifying disaster can attest to that. September is National Preparedness Month and, thanks to you, the Red Cross stands ready to respond when communities need our help the most.

Your generosity has empowered our dedicated volunteers to make a real and lasting difference for so many who face disaster and emergencies. On behalf of those who serve, thank you once again for standing with the Red Cross.

Sincerely,



Coralie Matayoshi Regional CEO American Red Cross

A spirit of service that lasts a lifetime

Since retiring 17 years ago, David Schoeneck has been using his expertise in public relations as a Red Cross volunteer.

When David was drafted into the U.S. Army, he wrote as a combat correspondent in Vietnam. Once back in the states, he spent his career in public relations and corporate communications.

"It fit very well with my belief that everyone needs to give back to the community and serve others," David says. "Working with the Red Cross also allows me to use the skills I have developed over many years in a very positive way."

Recently, David was selected to join the Red Cross North Central Division's Disaster Resource Management Team, which helps supplement local management teams when largescale disasters occur. He has also held multiple roles in managing communications to the community after home and apartment fires.



"[The Red Cross] aids victims on a local level, but also comes together when needed to answer the call for large-scale disasters such as Hurricane Florence and Michael," David says. "In addition to disaster services, the Red Cross has a longstanding role in providing service to our Armed Forces."

Visit redcross.org/volunteer if you would like more information on how you can help us respond when disasters strike local communities. Visit redcross.org/SAF to learn more about how you can support our service members, veterans, and their families through the Red Cross.



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