

# EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

## FOR RESIDENTS OF PUBLIC HOUSING

Data indicates that residents of public housing are likely to experience more adverse effects during emergencies. Here is why:

### PUBLIC HOUSING RESIDENT HOUSEHOLD STATISTICS:



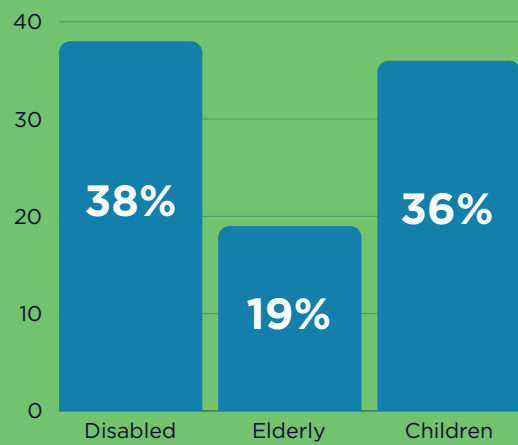
**38%**  
of public housing households include a resident who is disabled.



**19%**  
of public housing households include a resident who is elderly.



**36%**  
of public housing households include a resident who is a child.



Source: [HUD 2023 Data](#)

You can help protect your household and your community by following these emergency preparedness steps:

### WHAT EMERGENCIES SHOULD YOU BE PREPARED FOR?

Be aware of the types of emergencies that your area is prone to. These may include:



FLOODING



EARTHQUAKES



HURRICANES



WILDFIRES

### WHAT DISASTER PREPARATIONS SHOULD YOU TAKE?

Make sure you have:



A working set of batteries



A week-long supply of prescription medications



A working flashlight



A written evacuation plan



A 3-day supply of food and water

### WHAT RESOURCES SHOULD YOU UTILIZE IN THE EVENT OF AN EMERGENCY?



**FEMA Assistance:** Register and apply for FEMA assistance at 1-800-621-3362 or [DisasterAssistance.gov](https://www.fema.gov/disaster/assistance).



**Emergency Shelter:** text "SHELTER" and your zip code to 4FEMA (43362) for Spanish text "REFUGIO" and your zip code to 4FEMA (43362).



**Disaster Distress Helpline:** Call or text the [Disaster Distress Helpline](https://www.dhs.gov/disaster-distress-helpline) at 1-800-985-5990 or text 988 for crisis counseling and support.

### OTHER STEPS YOU CAN TAKE TO INCREASE RESILIENCE:

#### Ask your local Health Center and Housing Authority

about local emergency preparedness resources you should be aware of.

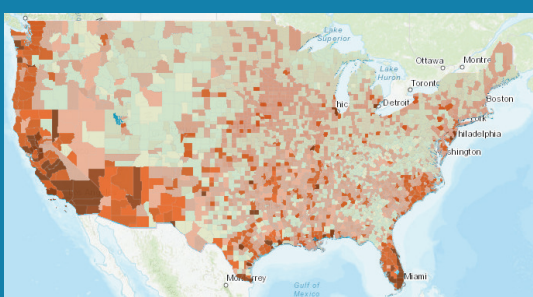
#### Discuss Emergency Preparedness

with your neighbors and community.

#### Have a Meeting

with your household members to discuss your evacuation plan, household, and community resources.

### PUBLIC HOUSING PRIMARY CARE ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS MAP:



The purpose of this map by the National Center for Health in Public Housing is to provide support to Public Housing Primary Care (PHPC) health centers on how to identify different types of natural disasters that can impact the vulnerable populations they serve based on their geographic region to better prepare for a natural disaster in advance by collaborating with public housing agencies.

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