Prepared, Not Scared. Be Ready for Disasters.



Disasters affect everyone, so it takes everyone to help prepare.

Preparedness starts by knowing your risk and what to do before, during and after a disaster.

You can prepare for the risk of a home fire by:

- Putting working smoke alarms on every level of your home, inside and outside sleeping areas, and in the basement. For the best protection, have interconnected alarms. This means when one sounds, they all sound.
- Talking to your family about what each person will do if they hear the alarm or smell smoke.
 - What exits will you use?
 - Who will help anyone that might need extra help?
 - Where will you meet when you get outside?

Remember, preparedness begins with you!

September is National Preparedness Month.

Learn more about how you can prepare yourself and your community for a disaster.



Visit **www.ready.gov/september** for information and resources.

For more information and free fire-safety resources, visit www.usfa.fema.gov.





