

## **DO 1 THING**

### **GOAL FOR JANUARY: MAKE A PLAN – KNOW YOUR RISK & TAKES STEPS TO LOWER YOUR RISKS**

#### **TAKE ACTION NOW!**

**You may have to decide what to do very quickly. A plan will be easier to make the right decisions when the worst happens.**



#### ❖ **Plan what to do if you have to evacuate.**

- Choose two places for your family to meet.
  - 1<sup>st</sup> location- should be right outside your home in case of a sudden emergency, such as a fire.
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> should be outside of your neighborhood, in case you cannot return home are asked to evacuate.
- Plan on where you would go & what route you would take to get there. Practice your evacuation route. The more you practice, the more confident you will be.
- Plan for your pets. Pets are not allowed in Red Cross shelters. Know the pet-friendly hotels along your evacuation route.



#### ❖ **Learn what disasters can happen in your area and decide what you will do in a disaster.**

- Know what types of disasters can happen where you live.
- Identify responsibilities for each family member and work together as a Team.
- Talk with everyone about possible emergencies to lower anxiety of the unknown. Be sure everyone understands and their questions are answered.

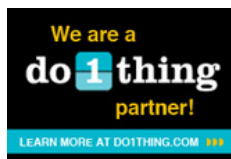


#### ❖ **Once you know what disasters could happen in your community, there are things you can do to lower your risk of injury or property damage.**

- Earthquake - Secure your furniture, appliances, and water heater to walls and floors. Install catches on cabinets and cupboard doors. Make sure your appliances are connected with flexible connections.
- Wildfire – Prepare your house and property, clear brush within 30 feet of your home. Keep firewood at least 30 feet away or covered with a fire-resistant tarp.
- Heavy Winter Storms – Carry necessities in your vehicle: warm clothing, boots, first aid kit, water, food and blankets or sleeping bags.



**\*\*MAKE TIME and GET STARTED TODAY! You will be glad you did!\*\***



Check out this link for more information and help getting prepared:  
<http://do1thing.com/audiences/individuals>