

# <u>OUTLOOK</u>

# 72-Hour Emergency Financial Kit

After a damaging earthquake or other disaster, it may not be "business as usual." Banks and ATMs might be closed for an indefinite period. Be prepared with an Emergency Financial Kit.

### **Emergency Cash**

Include in your emergency kit a sufficient amount of cash to get you through the emergency period. You'll need cash to purchase food, gas and other emergency supplies. Store emergency cash in small bills – ones, five and tens are best.

Keep an extra credit card with available credit on hand for emergency funds. Another option is traveler's checks (keep a record of the traveler's check serial numbers in a safe location.)

Include plenty of change to call your out-of-state contact from a public phone. (Public phone lines are among the first to be restored after a disaster.) You can also use your calling card to make the call.

## **Important Documents**

You'll also need insurance policies, birth certificates and other vital records after a damaging earthquake or other disaster. This personal information is necessary for insurance claims and other matters. Take steps NOW to protect these important papers. Keep important items and documents and/or copies of them in a safe deposit box, fireproof storage box, freezer or another safe place.

Store important documents such as:

- ☐ Social security cards
- □ Birth certificates
- ☐ Marriage and death records
- ☐ Drivers' licences
- ☐ Credit cards
- ☐ Insurance policies
- ☐ Recent income tax returns
- ☐ Mortgage or rental receipts
- ☐ Paycheck stubs
- ☐ Deeds
- ☐ Stocks and bonds
- ☐ Bank account books
- ☐ Wills
- □ Documentation of valuables
- ☐ Health history, allergies, blood types
- Recent photos for I.D. purposes

Video or photo documentation will facilitate insurance claims.

Vital Information

policy nos. medical info legal docs contact

## **Storage Tips**

Options for safely storing valuables and important documents include:

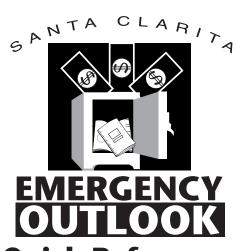
- ☐ Fireproof storage box or safe deposit box
- ☐ Freezer (tightly seal documents in a freezer bag)
- The home of your out-of-state contact (send only copies of documents, not the originals)



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# **Quick Reference**

Complete and store this form in a secure location. This reference of vital information can be accessed quickly in the event of an emergency.



| Name                           |                  |
|--------------------------------|------------------|
| Phone no. (home)               | Phone no. (work) |
| Emergency contact name         |                  |
| Emergency contact phone no.(s) |                  |

#### **Insurance Information**



Auto insurance policy no.

Home insurance policy no.

Insurance company

Agent name

Phone no.

#### **Financial Information**



| Bank name | Phone no. |
|-----------|-----------|
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Account number(s)

Account number(s)

Accountant name Phone no.



#### **Legal Information**

| Attorney name | Phone no. |
|---------------|-----------|
| Trustee name  | Phone no. |



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