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SUPPLIES:

- Emergency sanitation
- + 1 day of food, water and cash

TASKS:

- Prepare an Emergency Financial First Aid Kit



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EMERGENCY SANITATION

In an emergency, water and sewer lines may be disrupted, and you may need to improvise emergency sanitation facilities. One option is the Twin Bucket Emergency Toilet.



Learn more at phlush.org

- Try not to mix pee and poo.
- Line the poo bucket with a heavy-duty garbage bag and then cover each use with carbon material.
- Pee can be diluted and spread on lawns or gardens.

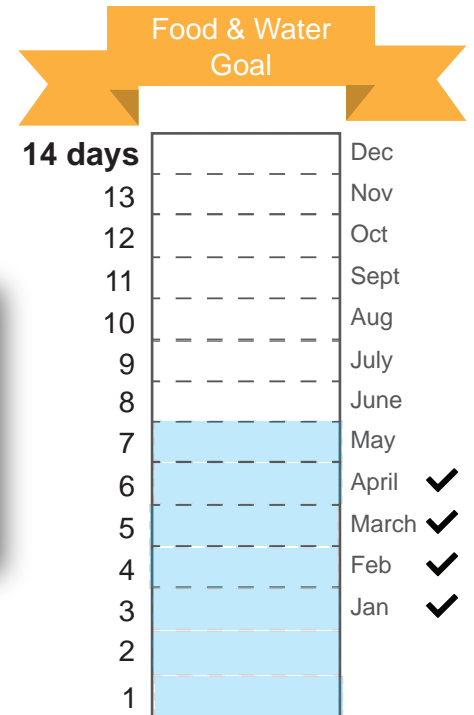


Your emergency sanitation kit should include:

- 2 five-gallon buckets with lids that close tightly
- Toilet seat that can fit on a bucket
- Heavy duty plastic garbage bags and ties
- Toilet paper
- Disposable gloves
- Hand sanitizer and soap
- Towels or wipes

Examples of carbon material to cover poo:

- Finely shredded paper
- Sawdust
- Wood chips
- Dried leaves
- Peat moss
- Forest litter



Keep building on your water, food and cash. Continue to prioritize non-perishable, high protein, easy-to-prepare items like canned foods, nuts, and dried fruits. One day of water = 1 gallon/person.

Your Emergency Financial First Aid Kit

Once the immediate threat of harm has passed, having your important documents and household records in order will be very important to the recovery process.

The Emergency Financial First Aid Kit (EFFAK), created by the nonprofit organization HOPE Coalition of America in partnership with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), can help you develop a centralized record of essential household and financial information.

Step 1: Compile

Download the EFFAK for a checklist of recommended documents you may need following an emergency. These include, but are not limited to:

- Photocopies of identification documents (driver's license, birth certificates, marriage license, etc.)
- Mortgage documents or lease/rental agreements
- Account statements (banks, credit cards, investments, loans)
- Vehicle registration/ownership papers
- Insurance policies
- Tax returns
- Photographs or video of home and valuable belongings

Having your important documents in order will help you re-establish your financial accounts, maintain payments and credit, and apply for FEMA disaster assistance, if eligible.

Step 2: Review

Ensure your insurance policies are adequate and that your financial paperwork is up to date. The EFFAK will help you to identify any important documents or policies that you don't currently have.

Step 3: Safeguard

Store paper and electronic copies of all files in a safe location such as fire/waterproof safe, bank safe deposit box, with a trusted friend or relative, secure off-site storage service, or with a lawyer or financial advisor. For electronic files, be sure to use a password-protected format.

Step 4: Update

Revisit and update your EFFAK regularly, such as during tax preparation time, around your birthday, or at the start of a new year.

Find more information and download the EFFAK at ready.gov/financial-preparedness.