



The Housing Management Update

September 16, 2011

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In August, Governor Parnell proclaimed that September is Emergency Preparedness Month. Are you prepared should a disaster occur in your community? Think about the 1964 Good Friday Earthquake, a magnitude 9.2 megathrust earthquake that occurred near



College Fjord in Prince William Sound, south of Anchorage. This earthquake was the second largest earthquake recorded in history, and claimed the lives of 131 people, destroyed homes, streets, sidewalks, water and sewer mains, as well as electrical systems.

You've heard the saying before—it's not if something is going to happen, it's when. Now is the time to make a plan, prepare an emergency kit, and be informed as to what would happen in your community if a disaster strikes. Every Alaskan needs to plan for self sufficiency for at least 7 days in the event that help is unable to arrive in your community following a disaster. Remember how far away we are from Alaska's lifeline. How would your life be affected should a disaster occur in Washington or somewhere else in the Pacific Northwest. There is a chance that you may need to survive on your own after an emergency, and we want to make sure that you and your family are prepared.

For more information about disaster preparedness, please visit the State of Alaska Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management website at <http://ready.alaska.gov>. Here you'll find helpful information to ensure that you and your family are prepared when disaster strikes. Get a kit, Make a Plan, Be Informed.



Recommended Items to Include in a Basic Emergency Supply Kit:

- ◇ Water, one gallon of water per person per day for at least 3 days for drinking and sanitation
- ◇ Food, at least a three-day supply of non-perishable food
- ◇ Battery-powered or hand crank radio and NOAA Weather Radio with tone alert and extra batteries for both
- ◇ Flashlight and extra batteries
- ◇ First aid kit
- ◇ Cold weather gear and blankets/sleeping bags
- ◇ Dust mask, to help filter contaminated air and plastic sheeting and duct tape to shelter-in-place
- ◇ Moist towelettes, garbage bags, and plastic ties

- ◇ Wrench or pliers to turn off utilities
- ◇ Can opener for food (if kit contains canned food)
- ◇ Indoor-safe heat source such as hand warmers, Sterno, emergency candles or propane/butane heat source labeled for indoor use
- ◇ Cell phone with charges, inverter, or solar charger
- ◇ Prescription medications and glasses
- ◇ Infant formula and diapers
- ◇ Pet food and extra water for your pet
- ◇ Important family documents such as copies of insurance policies, identification, and bank account records in waterproof, portable container

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Please remember that all changes must be submitted to the Housing Management department in writing. This includes changes in jobs, income, adding or removing a family member from your lease, or changes to your automatic monthly bank deduction.



Effective September 6, 2011 our business hours are as follows:

Monday through Friday from 8:00AM to 4:30PM

THRHA will be closed on October 17, 2011
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