Emergency Preparedness Campaign Week 4: Food and Water

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Clatsop County Emergency Management Department is halfway through its 6 Weeks Ready campaign to help residents prepare for a natural or man-made disaster.

After sharing some basic planning and preparation guidance in the first three weeks, Week 4 focuses on emergency food and water storage.



"You may usually have enough food on hand to last a few days, but what about water?" said Clatsop County Emergency Management Director Justin Gibbs. "And what if you needed enough food and water to get by for two weeks or longer?"

"Creating an extra supply of food and water can mean an additional expense, but you can avoid a hit to your budget by buying a little each week to spread out the cost. That also will help you avoid developing a supply of items that expire at the same time," he said.

If you'd rather make quick work of this task with a ready-made shopping list or pre-packaged emergency food kits, there are many options to be found online and in the community. FEMA and the Red Cross also developed a guide of items you'll need and storage tips.

Each week Clatsop County's 6 Week Ready campaign tips is at ClatsopCounty.gov.

Clatsop County's 6-Weeks Ready campaign provides residents and businesses with an opportunity to increase preparedness efforts. The 6 Weeks Ready campaign ends with the Great Shakeout, and the County encourages everyone to register online to participate.

Week 1: Sept 6 Building a Kit

Week 2: Sept 13 Disaster Planning with Everyone in Mind

Week 3: Sept 20 Protecting your Family & Property in a Disaster

Sept 26 Countywide ClatsopAlerts! emergency communications test

Week 4: Sept. 27 Food & Water in an Emergency

Sept. 30 Get Ready Clatsop County Preparedness Event

Week 5: Oct 4 Earthquake Safety

Week 6: Oct 11 Tsunami Evacuation

The campaign ends Thursday, Oct. 19, the day of the Great Shakeout. "We encourage everyone to register online to participate," he said.

Personal preparedness and other emergency preparedness information can be found at Get 6 WEEKS READY Clatsop County | Clatsop County Oregon.