

Shelter Basics



During an emergency, it may not be safe to stay in your home. If you cannot relocate to stay with family or friends, you may need to find the nearest community shelter.

Typically, these shelters are located in schools, churches, or other community centers with enough space for relocated families. Although Red Cross shelters provide food, water, and basic accommodations, you should come prepared with your own emergency supplies and evacuation kit. For more information and additional resources, visit utah.gov/beready.

- Identify the closest emergency shelter to your home
 - Visit www.redcross.org/find-help/shelter
- Brief family members on what they might expect upon arriving at an emergency shelter
- Bring the following items along with you to an emergency shelter:
 - 72-hour kit
 - 2 changes of clothes
 - Prescription medication
 - Contact information for family members and friends
 - Identification, financial, and insurance documents
 - Instant or pre-prepared foods
 - Personal comfort items
 - Cell phone charger
- Include books, games, and activities as a part of your shelter kit

Watch 20 to Ready videos at www.kbyueleven.org/community/20toReady