DISASTER-PROOF YOUR FINANCES:EMERGENCY FINANCIAL PREPAREDNESS CHECKLIST



Being financially prepared is just as important as having an emergency kit!

Important Documents to Store Securely (Digitally & Physically)

- Driver's license or state ID
- · Social Security cards
- Passports
- · Birth and marriage certificates
- Insurance policies (home, health, auto, life)
- · Wills, living wills, powers of attorney
- · Mortgage or lease agreements
- Vehicle titles or registrations
- Medical records, prescriptions list
- Emergency contact list (family, doctors, insurance agents)
- Pet records (vaccination info, vet contacts)
- Inventory of belongings

Saver Tip: Keep physical copies in a waterproof/fireproof bag or box, and store digital backups in encrypted cloud storage or a password-protected USB drive.

Cash & Backup Plan

- Small bills (\$1s, \$5s, \$10s) in a secure place
- · Credit Card with available balance, prepaid debit card or reloadable card
- · Know your ATM locations & withdrawal limits
- · Talk to your bank about mobile and online access in emergencies

Financial Access Essentials

- Bank account login info (secure password manager)
- · Credit/debit card company contacts
- · Emergency budget plan
- · List of recurring payments and due dates
- · Create a backup savings plan even \$10/week adds up

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Emergency Savings Must-Do's

- · Set a goal of \$500 to start
- Automate your savings if possible (via payroll or bank transfer)
- · Review your insurance deductibles and coverage

Family Preparedness

- Discuss evacuation or shelter-in-place plans
- · Choose an out-of-town emergency contact
- · Make sure teens and older kids know where to find documents

Download tools, resources, and guides at americasaves.org

Save it. Print it. Share it. A little prep goes a long way.

