

# ROCHELLE PARK OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT



## WEEK 2 - RECONNECTING WITH FAMILY AFTER A DISASTER

September is National Preparedness Month (NPM). The 2015 NPM theme is “Don’t Wait. Communicate. Make Your Emergency Plan Today.”

We are encouraging everyone to take part, make a plan and know what to do during an emergency. This means having an up-to-date contact list for those you may need to reach during a disaster and establishing alternate methods of communication in case traditional means are not available.

Each week beginning September 1, the Rochelle Park Office Of Emergency Management provided residents with helpful tips on Disaster Awareness and Preparedness.

- Week 1 – Flood - Hurricane
- **Week 2 – Re-Connect With Family**
- Week 3 – Power Outage
- Week 4 – Build an Emergency Kit
- Week 5 – Practice for an Emergency
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**Week 2-** Phone systems may be down following a disaster. Teach loved ones how to TEXT. Hint: Set up group text lists so you can communicate with several people at the same time during emergencies. Learn more at <http://1.usa.gov/1nw9I9F>. #NatlPrep

Before an emergency happens, have a family discussion to determine who would be your out-of-state point of contact, and where you would meet away from your home — both in the neighborhood and within your town.

Let them know you’re OK! Pick the same person for each family member to contact. It might be easier to reach someone who’s out of town.

For more tips and information visit [www.ready.gov/prepare](http://www.ready.gov/prepare) #NatlPrep

For additional information please call the Office of Emergency Management at 201-587-7734