

EPD to Host 6 Fairs to Help You Get Prepared for Emergencies

■ April is emergency preparedness month.

April is Emergency Preparedness Month. What does this mean for you? If you live, work, play, or even have lunch in the City of the Angels, that means you should have a plan for emergencies or disasters that could occur any day of the week or any time of the year. Being prepared is simple.

For more information above the above tips, the City invites you to bring your family and friends to the 13th Annual Emergency Preparedness Fair. For your convenience, the fair will be held at six locations and dates in April. Free emergency preparedness information and sample emergency kits (limited to the first 300 households) will be available for attendees. The American Red Cross of

Greater Los Angeles will be on hand to demonstrate how to assemble a disaster kit. Admission is free.

Event hours will be 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The schedule is as follows:

- April 3, Los Angeles Convention Center (West Hall), 1201 S. Figueroa St., downtown Los Angeles;
- April 10, Westfield Shoppingtown, 2700 Colorado Blvd., Eagle Rock;
- April 17, Westside Pavilion, 10800 W. Pico Blvd., West Los Angeles;
- April 18, Baldwin Hills Crenshaw Plaza, 3650 W. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., Southwest Los Angeles;
- April 24, Westfield Shoppingtown Topanga, 6600 Topanga Canyon Blvd., West Valley; and

■ April 25, Balboa Park, 17015 Burbank Blvd. (north parking lot on Balboa Boulevard, near the soccer fields), East Valley.

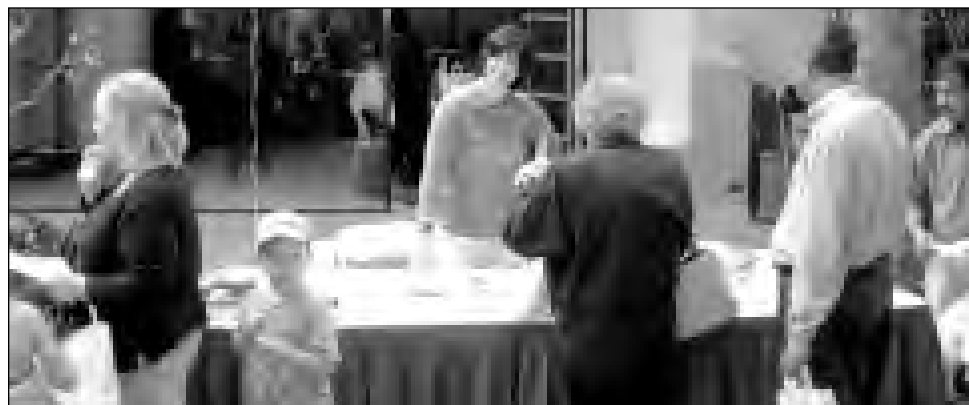
The Police and Fire and Emergency Preparedness Departments, as well as the departments of Water and Power, Public Works, Building and Safety, Housing, Disability, Aging, Recreation and Parks, Airports, Community Redevelopment Agency and others including the American Red Cross, will distribute giveaways and emergency preparedness information.

Emergency response equipment and life-saving techniques will be demonstrated at various times throughout the day. The Emergency Preparedness Fair is an annual event of the City's Emergency Operations Organization (EOO).

For more information, call (888) 356-4661, TTY (213) 847-0652, or visit www.lacity.org/epd

Here's how to be prepared:

- Have a family disaster plan for how your family will respond if disaster strikes and you are at home or away from home.
- Have an emergency supply kit that contains non-perishable food and water and other safety items.
- Take the time to learn about disasters their impact on you.
- Take a basic first aid and CPR course.
- Enroll in a Community Emergency Response Team course sponsored by the LAFD at no cost.
- Share your preparedness plan with family members and neighbors.
- Help someone else get prepared.



Last year's Fair at the Westside Pavilion.



Last year's Fair at Baldwin Hills Crenshaw Plaza.



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Last year's Fair at Eagle Rock.

Here are some photos from last year's Emergency Preparedness Fairs.



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