

Emergency Prep Newsletter - Draper Utah Suncrest Stake

April 2023

April: Home Flood Prevention

Got Snow???

Here is some helpful information to prevent home flooding:

Home Inspections:

1. **Inspect** every room and window in your basement each day – is there water?
 - a. If so, find the source (cracks in foundation, gaps in window frame)
2. **Inspect** rain gutters and down spouts
 - a. Clean out debris
 - b. Make sure the discharge is away from your home
 - c. Remove all ice dams
3. **Inspect** your sump pump and make sure it is working
 - a. Clean out all drainage lines
 - b. Make sure the discharge is away from your home
4. **Inspect** the outside of your home – is there any standing water or water draining towards your home?

Be Prepared with Tools:



Bucket Head
Wet/Dry Vac



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Sand Bags

Additional Information:

1. **Sand Bag Placement:** Place the sandbags OUTSIDE and against the doors or window wells where water may enter your home. Garage: If water comes into your garage, sandbags should be directly against the access door.
2. **Ice Damming:** An ice dam is a ridge of ice that forms at the edge of a roof and prevents melting snow (water) from draining off the roof. The water that backs up behind the dam can leak into a home and cause damage to walls, ceilings, insulation and other areas. Remove snow from the roof. This eliminates one of the ingredients necessary for the formation of an ice dam.

Useful Flood Prevention Links:

[Fema.gov Protect Your Home From Flooding](https://www.fema.gov/protect-your-home-from-flooding)

[City of Draper Flooding Prevention Podcast](#)

Helpful Websites - Emergency Prep

www.ready.gov

www.redcross.org (American Red Cross)

www.fema.gov (Federal Emergency Management Agency)

www.dem.utah.gov (Utah Division of Emergency Management)

www.emergency.cdc.gov (Center of Disease Control and Prevention)

Stake Emergency Prep Calendar

Monthly Focus

[April 4th @ 7pm](#) – Emergency Prep Workshop “**Home Flood Prevention and Community Communications During a Disaster**”

[Apr 20th @ 10:15am](#) – Utah’s Great Shake Out Earthquake Drill

May 2023 – **Wildfire Prep**

June 2023 – **Food Storage Part 1**

July 2023 – **Earthquake Prep**

Aug 2023 – **Water Storage**

Sept 2023 – **72 Hour Emergency Kit**

Oct 2023 – **DURING the Disaster**

Nov 2023 – **Sanitation**

Dec 2023 – **Family Emergency Plan**

Jan 2024 – **Food Storage Part 2**

Stake Presidency Message

Our Stake is moving forward in being more prepared for natural disasters – focusing on home flood prevention and communications with our members and community. We urge you to prepare your family and neighbors to have a communications plan and assist them with home flood prevention.

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