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MEMORANDUM

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Subject: Week 4- September National Preparedness Month

The Department of Homeland Security recognizes September as National Preparedness Month. Teach Youth About Preparedness: Disasters happen everywhere, and every member of the family can prepare. Preparedness for the future starts today. Talk to your kids about preparing for emergencies and what to do in case you are separated. Reassure them by providing information about how they can get involved.

Infographic with 5 steps: STAY SAFE, STAY CALM, GET HELP, GIVE INFO, GIVE CARE. Each step includes an icon and a list of instructions.

Be a Ready Kid!

Emergencies and disasters can be scary, but there are ways to help you, your family and your children stay safe before, during, and even after a disaster.

Ready 2 Help:

Kids may experience the same emergency situations as adults. With the Ready 2 Help card game, you can work with your family and children respond to examples of emergencies by working with your friends and using skills that will help in a real emergency. Ready 2 Help teaches 5 simple steps to stay safe and make a difference until help arrives.

- https://www.ready.gov/sites/default/files/2020-08/ready-2-help\_companion-book.pdf
https://www.ready.gov/sites/default/files/2020-08/ready-2-help\_card-game.pdf

Disaster Preparedness Activity Book:

The Prepare with Pedro: Disaster Preparedness Activity Book is designed to teach young children and their families about how to stay safe during disasters and emergencies. The book follows Pedro around the United States and offers safety advice through crosswords, coloring pages, matching games, and more.

https://www.ready.gov/sites/default/files/2019-06/prepare\_with\_pedro\_activity\_book\_eng.pdf