How to get water in an emergency

IF YOU ARE PREPARED

In 2005, the Daily Breeze published this guide for readers. Because of an overwhelming response, we are reprinting the page.

There are six basics you should stock for your home in case of an emergency: water, food, first aid supplies, clothing and bedding, tools and emergency special items and medical supplies.

Keep the items that you most likely would need during an evacuation in an easy-to-carry container. Here is a list of what should be included in your kit.

Tips and lists are adapted from 72hours.org and redcross.org.

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