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Resolve To Be Ready in 2010

Resolve to be Ready is an annual initiative encouraging individuals, families, businesses and communities to make preparedness a part of their New Year resolutions.

Are you and your family prepared for an emergency? If you had to stay in your home for a few days, would you have what you need to stay safe, comfortable and healthy? If you had to leave your home suddenly, without time to pack anything, would you be ready to go? The time to start planning for an emergency is not in the middle of one. In an emergency, you're either READY or you're not.

Being *Ready* for emergencies can be an easy New Year's resolution to keep by following these three simple steps: 1) Get an emergency supply kit; 2) Make a family emergency plan; and 3) Be informed about the types of emergencies and appropriate responses.

Learn how to prepare your family for any type of emergency including natural and human-caused disasters by visiting www.phila.gov/ready, emailing edward.vassallo@phila.gov, or calling 215-683-3250 to request the Ready Philadelphia brochures in English, Spanish, Traditional Chinese, Korean, Vietnamese, Cambodian, Polish, and Russian.

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