



Agency/Organization Disaster Readiness Resource List

This list is intended to provide community based organizations with links to resources to assist in the development of agency/organizations disaster preparedness, response and recovery plans, including business continuity and/or continuity of operations plans, in order to become more resilient and better able to continue to serve their clients/consumers during and after a disaster. One resource is not recommended over another, and selection of a resource should be based on the organizations staffing, resources and abilities.

American Red Cross Ready Rating Program

<https://www.readyrating.org/The-Red-Cross-Ready-Rating-Program>

Thousands of organizations from commercial businesses to houses of worship, schools, non-profit institutions, and even some government agencies have used a Ready Rating Assessment to measure the quality of their emergency response plan.

- **Now the program has two versions to choose from:**

- The ***ReadyGo Assessment*** is a brief 25-question assessment designed for organizations that are relatively new to emergency planning. Completing this assessment will help you evaluate some of the most critical strengths and weaknesses of your current program.

- The ***ReadyAdvance Assessment*** provides a more in-depth measurement of your organization's preparedness plans and is meant for organizations that have taken some basic steps but are ready to become even more prepared

Capacity-Building Toolkit for including Aging and Disability Networks in Emergency Planning

<https://www.naccho.org/uploads/downloadable-resources/Capacity-Building-Toolkit-for-Aging-and-Disability-Networks-2-5-19.pdf>

Developed by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response. The purpose of the Capacity-Building Toolkit for Including Aging and Disability Networks in Emergency Planning is to serve as a resource to guide the aging and disability networks in increasing their ability to plan for and respond to public health emergencies and disasters. For organizations already engaged in emergency planning, this Toolkit can help expand and improve their capabilities. For organizations new to emergency planning, this Toolkit will help orient them to the process.

Collaborating Agencies Responding to Disasters (CARD) Agency Emergency Planning

<https://dublin.ca.gov/DocumentCenter/View/31/Business-Template-Emergency-Plan?bidId>

CARD's curricula was created with, by, and for diverse communities. Its tools were designed based on state-of-the-art research, and have been field-tested and adopted by nonprofits, government partners, and other stakeholders. The program has won local, national, and international recognition for a fear-free, alternative approach to emergency preparedness and disaster response.

Federal Emergency Management Agency [READY.gov/Business](https://www.ready.gov/business)

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The Ready Business Toolkit series includes hazard-specific versions for earthquake, hurricane, inland flooding, power outage, and severe wind/tornado. Toolkits offer business leaders a step-by-step guide to build preparedness within an organization. Each toolkit contains the following sections:

- Identify Your Risk
- Develop A Plan
- Take Action
- Be Recognized and Inspire Others

Planning Checklist for Rapid Emergency Response for Organizations Serving People with Disabilities

(June Kailes)

<http://www.jik.com/pubs/Checklistrapid.pdf>

This guidance and checklist is for all organizations that focus on supporting the health, safety, and independence of people with disabilities and others with access and functional needs. Rapid emergency response is in direct alignment with the core services and values of disability-focused organizations that engage in systems advocacy that protects peoples' civil rights and right to self-determination.

Resilience in a Box (U.S. Chamber of Commerce Foundation)

<https://www.uschamberfoundation.org/resilience-box>

'*Resilience in a Box*' is based on best practices and designed to educate business leaders on disaster preparedness and business resilience. Includes a five-minute readiness quiz and Resilience 101 Workbook (also available in Spanish and French).