

# Emergency Preparedness . . .

. . . 5 basic steps in preparing for an uncertain future

To survive an initial major disaster or hardship it is suggested that you have the following basic items of physical preparation:

## 1- Water

50 gallons of stored water per household or 14 gallons per person which ever is greater. This will get you through the initial stage until you can find other means of water. (i.e. canals, streams, snow, roof tops etc.) Water should be your first consideration in as much as you can live without food for a short period of time but not without water.

## 2- Food

1 years basic food supply per person in the household  
Do not forget special dietary needs of the young, the elderly, and the sick.

## 3- Sanitation Needs

provisional toilet  
methods of cleanup with or without water (This water is not part of the above 50 gallons.)  
pest control devices and methods

## 4- Medical

1 basic first-aid kit per household  
Include special medical needs and medications for all members of household.

## 5- Fuel

a provisional way of keeping warm that is not dependant on electricity or natural gas (i.e. extra blankets, sleeping bag, coats, gloves, hats, space heaters, wood for fireplace, generators, etc.) Remember in Salt Lake county you cannot store more that 25 gallons of flammable liquid legally. (Utah, Davis, & Weber counties 30 gallons and no set limit elsewhere in Utah) There is a 500 pound limit on storage of flammable gas, such as propane and butane. Check with your local officials as this sometimes changes from city to city.