

What Is Emergency Preparedness?

Emergency Preparedness (EP) is a form of insurance which, as with homeowners and medical insurance, we all hope not to use.

The mission of the Safety Committee is to provide educational resources and programs to help our residents develop resilience to adverse circumstances and to be self-reliant under a variety of emergency situations.

Being prepared to "Shelter in Place" is the first line of defense, along with owning a two-way radio so you can receive information from the LWC Internal Communications System (ICS) during an emergency.

Oregon's [Be2WeeksReady](#) program goes through the steps to develop your personal emergency plan including provisions for water, food, waste and hygiene, shelter and first aid.

The Pop-Up "Open Garage" Safety Event last week gave LWC residents the opportunity to look at recommended items for Go Bags and EP caches in their homes.

These resources are listed on the [Safety Committee's webpage](#) of the LWC website. (You need to log in on the [LWC home page](#) to access the SC webpage.)

Please be aware that our community does not have the resources to provide food and water to all of our residents for even one day. The Safety Committee and our Safety Captains do, however, offer each household a variety of educational materials to help them prepare in advance for their own welfare, thereby making our community as a whole more resilient.