ALERT LONGBEACH

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required is a name, cell phone number, or email address and home or business address.

AlertLongBeach messages will tell you what has happened, what responders are doing and what actions you can take to protect your family and home.



This information is available in alternative formats. Please call 562.570.9250 or email LongBeach-EOC@longbeach.gov.

CITY OF LONG BEACH DISASTER PREPAREDNESS & EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS 562.570.9250 www.longbeach.gov/disasterpreparedness

El Niño is here!



Prepare

Now

For

El Niño



DEPARTMENT OF DISASTER PREPAREDNESS & EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS



EL NIÑO POSSIBLE IMPACTS

- Experts predict above normal rainfall from January through March
- Up to twice the normal rainfall for southern California is predicted
- Multiple storms can be expected (a series of 2 to 4 storms in succession)
- Flooding possible when the ground becomes saturated
- Experts predict 6" to 8" sea level rise, coastal erosion, large waves and rip currents
- El Niño does not mean the end of the drought

TAKE ACTION NOW

- Clean out your rain gutters and drains
- Remove any items from your property that may prevent water run off
- Repair any leaks in your roof or windows
- Pack away patio furniture so it does not get blown away
- Consider keeping some waterproofing materials handy for emergency repairs items such as sandbags, plastic sheeting, plywood or lumber
- Trim tree limbs that pose a threat to people, property or structures.

BEFORE THE STORM

- Make an Emergency Kit for your home and your work
- Create a Family Communications Plan
- Identify a meeting place for your family to gather if you cannot go home



- Keep your car fueled, never let your fuel level go below 1/2 tank
- Keep copies of important documents in a safe, water resistant container
- Take a First Aid/CPR Class through the American Red Cross

For information on preparedness please visit our website: www.longbeach.gov/disasterpreparedness

KNOW HOW TO GET HELP

City of Long Beach Emergency Phone Numbers:

Life Threatening Emergencies: Dial 9-1-1

All other inquiries and reporting issues:

- **Gas Department:** 562.570.2140
- ☑ Water and Sewer: 562.570.2390
- **Public Works Streets:** 562.570.2700
- ☑ Storm Drains & Basins: 562.570.2700
- **☑** Parks After Hours: 562.570.3101
- Marinas & Beaches: 562.570.3215
- Animal Care: 562.570.7387
- **Downed Trees:** 562.570.2700
- Sand Bags: 562.570.2700

Southern California Edison (Power Outages): 1-800-611-1911 www.sce.com

City Light and Power

(Street Light Outages): 562.983.2000 or 888.544.4868 www.clpinc.com/service-request/

GET TRAINED:

CERT: 562.570.2525 www.longbeach.gov/fire/ community-outreach/cert/

LB Search & Rescue (under 18): 562.494.0908 www.lbsar.org/

American Red Cross www.redcross.org/ca/long-beach

BEFORE THE STORM (CONTINUED)

Find a reliable source for weather updates : www.wrh.noaa.gov/lox

Go to the City of Long Beach website and sign up for **AlertLongBeach** and

LINKLB Download the

issues



- Sign up for Nixle (www.nixle.com)
- Share information with the elderly and at-risk neighbors

City Social Media Sites

You can also sign up for any of the City of Long Beach social media accounts and receive information on a disaster.

www.facebook.com/CityofLongBeachCA https://twitter.com/LongBeachCity www.youtube.com/user/LongBeachCityCA

Sandbags

Obtain sand and sandbags from designated locations and always direct runoff away

from the property.

- Sand is available at 1651 San Francisco
- Sand and Sand bags are available at the following Fire Stations:
 - Station 7 (2295 Elm)
 - Station 12 (1199 E. Artesia)
 - Station 13 (2475 Adriatic)
 - Station 14 (5200 Eliot)

 ✓ Sand Bags are available at Lifeguard HQ (Junipero Parking Lot) & 72nd St Station

DURING THE STORM

- ✓ Monitor local radio (KKJZ 88.1 FM) and TV news closely for weather conditions
- Be prepared to leave immediately if an evacuation is ordered
- Have alternate evacuation routes out of your neighborhood
- ☑ Stay away from steep

slopes that may become unstable when saturated

- ✓ Never touch a downed power line which can cause serious injury or death. Call 9-1-1 to report it
- Avoid unnecessary trips If you must travel during the storm, advise others of your destination and estimated arrival time
- ✓ Stay away from flood channels and flowing rivers. You could be knocked off your feet in as little as six inches of water
- Do not try to cross flooded areas and never enter moving waters. Turn Around - Don't Drown

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- ✓ If trapped in your vehicle, stay with it. If possible, relocate to the hood or roof if water continues to rise
- ☑ Be alert when driving Roads may become blocked or closed due to hazards

AFTER THE STORM

- ✓ Follow local instructions regarding the safety of drinking water If in doubt, boil or purify water before drinking
- Avoid disaster areas Your presence could hamper rescue and other emergency operations, and you may be in danger
- Replace your emergency supplies, medicines, food, water, etc. as soon as you can



Let your family know you are okay

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

Additional resources on El Niño preparedness can be found by visiting the following websites:

City of Long Beach

www.longbeach.gov/disasterpreparedness/

www.longbeach.gov/fire/

www.longbeach.gov/police/

www.longbeach.gov/health/

www.polb.com/

Los Angeles County, Emergency Management www.lacounty.gov/elnino

California Office of Emergency Services www.storms.ca.gov/

Federal Emergency Management Agency www.fema.gov/el-nino



Prepare now for any type of emergency

There are things you can do right now to mitigate personal injury or loss of property as a result of an emergency:

Build a Kit -Have an emergency kit readily available at home and



work with supplies that will allow you and/or your family to be self-sustaining for at least five days until first responders can arrive.

Make a Plan – Make a plan with your family on how you would exit your residence or workplace under various scenarios. Predetermine a place to meet. Identify an out of area person to contact to inform of your well being. Practice your plan.

Be informed – Sign-up for **AlertLongBeach** to receive alert notices via cell phone, text message, and e-mail on emerging or imminent emergencies. Monitor the TV, radio, print and social media for important information in your area.

Be Prepared – Join the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) or Long Beach Search and Rescue. Take a CPR or first-aid course through the American Red Cross or

work with the Red Cross to "Map your Neighborhood" to identify risk and resources within your neighborhood.



American Red Cross Additional information on Disaster Preparedness can be found at the following department websites:

http://longbeach.gov/disasterpreparedness/ http://www.longbeach.gov/fire/ http://www.longbeach.gov/police/ http://www.longbeach.gov/health/ http://www.polb.com/



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Register for your free emergency alerts today!

City of Long Beach Department of Disaster Preparedness and Emergency Communications



What is AlertLongBeach?

AlertLongBeach is a free emergency notification system designed to keep those that live or work in Long Beach informed of important information before, during and after a major emergency or disaster. Alerts will be sent to subscribers that will let them know what has happened, what first responders are doing and what actions you should take to protect yourself and preserve property.



How does it work?

When an emergency happens, AlertLong-Beach sends out a voice, text and e-mail alert to impacted residents, businesses, schools and hospitals, who have registered in the system.

Although AlertLongBeach contains listed and unlisted landline phone numbers from telephone carrier 9-1-1 databases, most people work away from home and others no longer have a home phone.

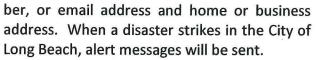
AlertLongBeach provides an opportunity for residents to register their cell phone, email address and text information to ensure they receive emergency alerts.

What type of alert message will be sent?

The primary use of **AlertLongBeach** is to disseminate messages pertaining to the health, safety or welfare of the community that is being affected by a perceived, emerging, or imminent emergency event. Recipients are targeted by geographic location, so alerts will only be sent to those in areas impacted by the emergency such as evacuation, disaster or public safety notices.

What information is needed to register?

Sign-up online at AlertLongBeach on the City's website, www.longbeach.gov. All that is required is a name, cell phone num-



Will the information remain confidential?

Yes, all information will be kept confidential. Contract agreements prohibit information from being shared.



About Emergencies

BEFORE an Emergency

Have a preassembled "emergency go kit" with important supplies and emergency contact information readily available. Predetermine a meeting place for your family and practice your plan. Visit <u>http://longbeach.gov/</u> <u>disasterpreparedness/</u>for more readiness tips.

Evacuation WARNING

An evacuation warning alerts people in an affected area(s) of a potential threat to life and property. People who need additional time,



the elderly, those with young children or pets should prepare to evacuate at this time.

Evacuation ORDER

An evacuation order requires the immediate movement of people out of an affected area due to an imminent threat to life. Choosing to stay could result in loss of life and impede the work of emergency personnel.

SHELTER-in-Place

A shelter-in-place order means the best place to be safe from an airborne or other risk is indoors. Monitor **AlertLongBeach**, tune in to the TV, radio or internet for announcements on when the threat has passed. Do not venture outside of your shelter area until you are instructed that it is safe to do so.

