# Financial documents to gather for a natural disaster evacuation



- √ ID: Driver's license and passport.
- √ Birth certificates.
- ✓ Marriage certificate.
- ✓ Social Security numbers (needed for <u>FEMA application</u>).
- √ Military service records.
- √ Pet's ID tags, microchip and vaccination records.
- √ Housing payment, HOA and property tax records.
- √ Copies of utility bills with contact numbers.
- √ Credit/debit card information.
- Checking, savings and retirement and other bank account numbers.
- ✓ Receipts from child support.
- √ Insurance policies.
- Documentation of all belongings (video, photos and itemization).
- √ Paystubs.
- √ Tax statements.
- √ Wills/estate plans.
- √ Health insurance and pharmacy cards.
- √ Records of immunizations and allergies.
- √ Copies of prescriptions.
- √ Records of medical devices or equipment for disabilities.
- ✓ Passwords to all important online accounts such as banks, bill pay, work, subscriptions and memberships.
- And don't forget to pack some entertainment and ability to work with a spare laptop or iPad, charging cords and backup power sources, books, even a deck of cards to help keep yourself occupied while you wait to hear back on when it's safe to return to your property and from the insurance agents on what to do next. It will help take your mind off the stress and the boredom in the evacuation period.

## Important contact numbers to have accessible other than on your phone

- √ Family and close friends.
- √ Employers.
- ✓ Schools.
- √ Landlord or mortgage representatives.
- ✓ Doctors, dentists or other healthcare providers.
- ✓ Insurance agents.
- √ Lawyers.
- √ Financial advisors/planners.
- √ Banking institutions.
- Neighborhood community leaders.
- √ House of worship community leaders.

#### Preparing your financial life

- √ Reduce your hard copy mail: Your home and mailbox may get destroyed in a disaster.
- √ If you receive any income in the form of paper checks in the mail, set up direct deposit.
- If you receive hard copies of banks statements, credit card or any other types of bills, go online and set up online payments access to see your statements online.
- ✓ Download apps for banking and bill payments.
- $\checkmark$  Photograph or take a video of the rooms in your home and any valuable belongings.

#### Create a disaster plan

- √ Check your go bag and important documents every 6-12 months for necessary updates.
- √ Regularly back up important digital data to an external hard drive or cloud storage.
- Establish a communication and evacuation plan with your family members with a route and meeting places.

#### **HAVE QUESTIONS?**

Contact your financial advisor to discuss your unique circumstances. If you don't have one, find an advisor here: advisors.bokfinancial.com/Find-a-Financial-Advisor



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