

VC ALERT



Ventura Residents can receive emergency messages through VC Alert, a high speed emergency notification system that may be used to deliver critical messages such as evacuation notices directly to you. Our system includes some landline and cellular phone numbers. However, residents and businesses are encouraged to register online to ensure that real-time emergency messages are received.

Register at VCAlert.org



SANDBAGS

When heavy rain is expected, the City of Ventura provides residents with sand and sandbags. **Please bring your own shovel to any of the temporary locations.**

- City of Ventura, Sanjon Maintenance Yard:
336 Sanjon Road (Public parking lot.)
- Ventura City Fire Station #1:
717 N.Ventura Avenue
- Ventura City Fire Station #6:
10797 Darling Road (near Wells Road, across from Saticoy Golf Course)

STAY INFORMED



Ready Ventura County Emergency Preparedness Website

Please visit the **Ready Ventura County** website for important preparedness information including Flood Preparation for your family and home, Weather Notifications, Evacuation Terminology, Helpful Links, and Resources

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Disaster & Emergency Preparedness



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WATER DISASTER PREPAREDNESS

- **Store Water**
- **Build an Emergency Kit**
- **Make a Plan**
- **Stay Informed**

Water is an essential resource for survival and a necessary part of an emergency supplies kit. Following a disaster, clean drinking water may not be available. Prepare yourself by building a supply of water that will meet your family's needs during an emergency.

How much water to store?

- Store enough tap water or bottled water to last three to seven days
- 1 to 2 gallons per person per day
- Store tap water in clean, airtight food grade plastic containers and keep in a dark, cool place
- Label containers with the date it was stored and replenish water every 6 months

Emergency Kit should Include:

- Heat source such as a camping stove
- A clean pot
- Measuring spoons/clean medicine dropper
- Sealed bottle of regular, unscented liquid bleach with no additives (Replace every 6 months)
- Camping/Hiking water filters



EMERGENCY DISINFECTION OF DRINKING WATER

BOIL:

Bring water to a rolling boil for at least one minute. Let water cool naturally and store it in clean containers with covers.

BLEACH:

If you can't boil water, use regular, unscented chlorine bleach products that are suitable for disinfection and sanitation as indicated on the label.

Use the table below as a guide for disinfection requirements:

Volume of Water	Amount of Bleach to Add*
1 quart/liter	2 drops
1 gallon	6 drops
2 gallons	12 drops (1/8 teaspoon)
4 gallons	1/4 teaspoon
8 gallons	1/2 teaspoon

*Bleach contains 8.25% sodium hypochlorite



MAKE A PLAN

- Protect the water sources already in your home from contamination by locating and closing service valve
- Never ration drinking water unless ordered to do so by authorities
- Other forms of pure emergency water sources include:
 - Liquid from canned goods
 - Melted ice cubes
 - Water from hot water tanks (turn off gas/electricity prior to draining)
 - Rain water (collect and purify)
 - Toilet tank water (avoid chemically treated blue water)



Visit the FEMA website
www.ready.gov

Only Use Water that has been properly Disinfected for Drinking, Cooking, Making any Prepared Drink, Washing Dishes, and for Brushing Teeth