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Be Emergency Ready: Emergency Preparedness Week May 5–11, 2019

Emergency Preparedness Week (May 5-11, 2019) reminds Canadians to be prepared to cope on their own for at least the first 72 hours of an emergency. This helps rescue workers attend to those in urgent need.

"Already in 2019, Caledon residents in Bolton and Caledon Village have experienced the real impact of an emergency incident," said Fire Chief Darryl Bailey. "Emergencies can happen at any time and to anyone. By taking these three simple steps, residents can be better prepared to face a range of emergency events."

Step 1 - Make a Plan | Create a Communication and Evacuation Plan

In an emergency, your family may not be together, or you may be asked to evacuate your home. Thinking about what you would do in different situations and preparing a plan with every member of your family is the first step to being prepared.

Step 2 – Make a Kit | Build an Emergency Survival Kit

Your emergency survival kit should have everything you and your family would need to be safe and take care of yourselves for at least three days immediately following an emergency.

Step 3 – Be Informed | Know What's Happening to Plan Ahead

To learn more about the hazards you may face and how to be prepared, visit: <u>caledon.ca\fire</u>, <u>emergencymanagementontario.ca</u> or <u>getprepared.gc.ca</u>. During an emergency you should stay tuned to local news channels. Be sure to have a portable, battery-operated or crank radio in your survival kit in case of power outages.

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