

30 Days 30 Ways

Family Emergency Preparedness

Winterize Your Home

Fall is here and cooler weather is on the way. Now is the time to winterize your home! Our usually mild NW winters can cause many of us to fail to take action. The truth is our winter storms can range from a moderate snow over a few hours to a blizzard with blinding, wind-driven snow that lasts for several days. Many winter storms are accompanied by dangerously low temperatures and sometimes by strong winds, icing, sleet and freezing rain.

One of the primary concerns is the winter weather's ability to knock out heat, power and communications services to your home or office, sometimes for days at a time. Heavy snowfall and extreme cold can immobilize an entire region.

The National Weather Service refers to winter storms as the “Deceptive Killers” because most deaths are indirectly related to the storm. Instead, people die in traffic accidents on icy roads and of hypothermia from prolonged exposure to cold. It is important to be prepared for winter weather before it strikes.



For great tips on winterizing your home and car go to: www.ready.gov/winter-weather

**** According to the Hazard Analysis for our area –
Winter Storms rank in the top 3 of serious threats!***