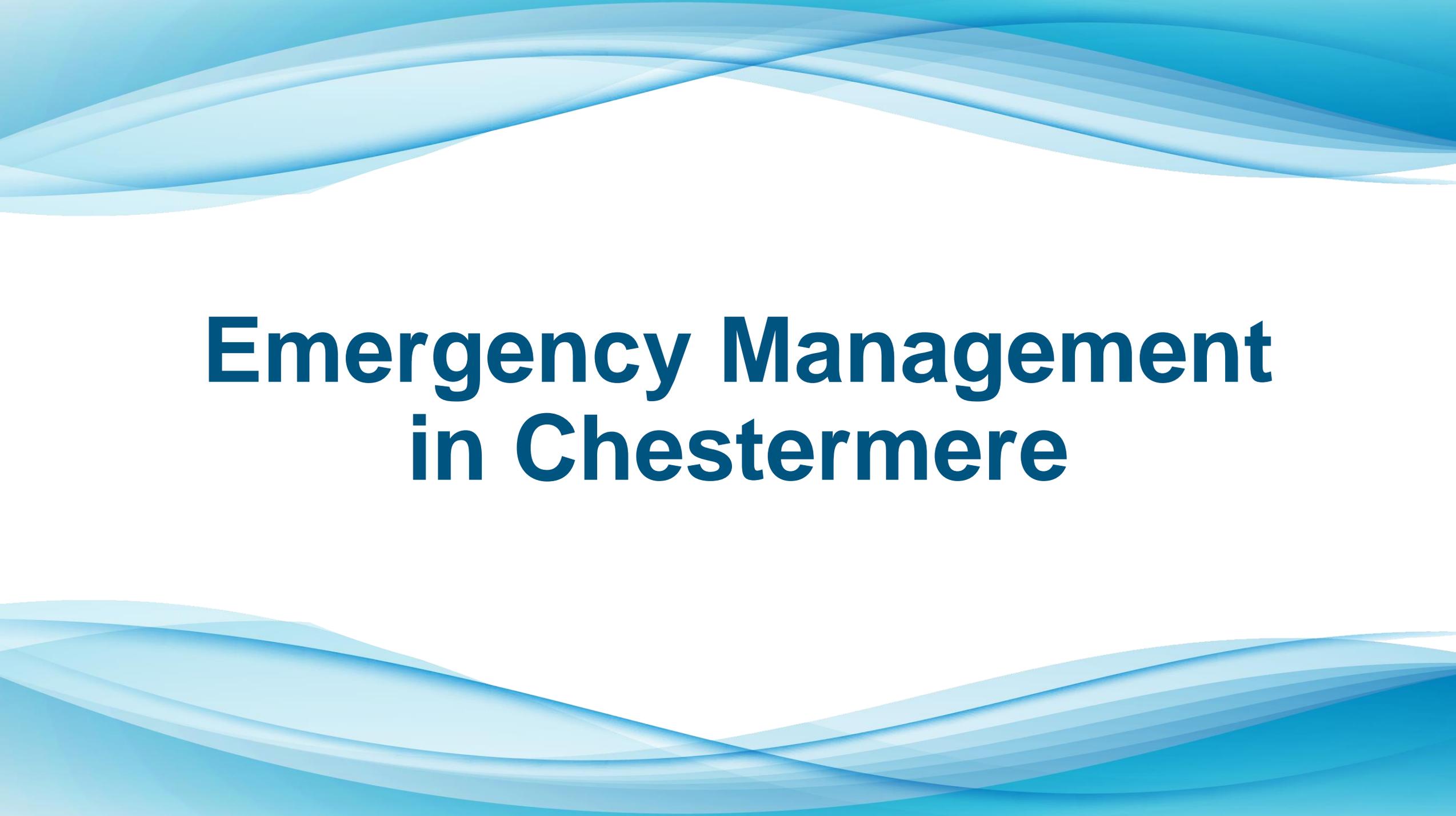


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# **City of Chestermere**

**Emergency Preparedness**

**“building a resilient community”**

The background features a white central area with blue wavy, layered patterns at the top and bottom, resembling water or abstract motion.

# **Emergency Management in Chestermere**

# Overview

- **Chestermere Emergency Management Agency (CHEMA)**
- Municipal Emergency Management Plan(MEMP)
- Emergency Social Services (ESS) Plan
- Emergency Management Act (2000)
- Alberta Emergency Management Agency (AEMA)



# What is an Emergency?

An “emergency” is a serious, unexpected, and often dangerous situation requiring immediate action.

A “disaster” is a sudden event that results in widespread loss, impacts, and serious disruption.

*Knowing what primary hazards exist is key to being prepared.*



# What are our Hazards?

- Fire (wildfire)
- Road (HazMat)
- Residential Structure Fire
- Floods
- Utility Failure
- Water Main Break
- Active Threats
- Weather related:
  - Hail
  - Ice/Snow Storm
  - Wind
  - Tornado



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# Disaster Life Cycle





Emergency Preparedness  
doesn't have to be hard or  
expensive..



# do 1 thing

SMALL STEPS TOWARD BEING PREPARED FOR AN EMERGENCY

Do 1 Thing is a web-based, twelve-month preparedness program that helps families get prepared for an emergency. One-step per month will help you reach your emergency preparedness goals in 1 year!

## To Participate:

1. Go to [do1thing.com](http://do1thing.com) and sign up!
2. Click on "12 Things"
3. Do that one thing!

## Do 1 Thing Themes

<b>Make a Plan</b>  JANUARY	<b>Water</b>  FEBRUARY	<b>Sheltering</b>  MARCH	<b>Food</b>  APRIL
<b>Work, School, and Community</b>  MAY	<b>Unique Family Needs</b>  JUNE	<b>Family Communication Plan</b>  JULY	<b>Get Involved</b>  AUGUST
<b>Be Informed</b>  SEPTEMBER	<b>Power</b>  OCTOBER	<b>Emergency Supplies</b>  NOVEMBER	<b>First Aid</b>  DECEMBER



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## January: Make a Plan



## February: Water

	<b>GOAL:</b> Understand what puts you at risk from disasters and take steps to lower your risk.
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	<b>GOAL:</b> Have enough water on-hand for your family to last 3 days (72 hours).
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### CHOOSE ONE OF THESE THINGS TO DO TO BE READY FOR AN EMERGENCY

	Find out what kind of disasters can happen where you live and plan what to do in a disaster.
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	Protect your house from damage in a disaster.
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	Plan what to do if you have to leave your house in an emergency.
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### CHOOSE ONE OF THESE THINGS TO DO TO BE READY FOR AN EMERGENCY

	Buy 3 days of water at the store.
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	Bottle a 3 day supply of water at home.
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	Learn how to provide a safe supply of drinking water for your household in a disaster.
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**do 1 thing**

SMALL STEPS TOWARD BEING PREPARED FOR AN EMERGENCY

**THIS MONTH:**

**March:**

**Sheltering**



**GOAL:** Know how to respond safely when instructions are given to evacuate or take shelter.

**CHOOSE ONE OF THESE THINGS TO DO TO BE READY FOR AN EMERGENCY**



Find the best place in your home to stay safe from storms. Practice getting there with your family.



Learn how to “shelter in place.”



Know where you will go if you have to evacuate your home.

# Shelter in Place vs Evacuation

## Shelter in Place

- Taking immediate shelter
- Closing/securing windows, doors, chimneys, and turning off any intake systems
- Hazard is outside and staying indoors is safe



## Evacuation

- The action of leaving the location you're at
- Could be small or large
- Hazard is threatening the safety of the location



# Emergency Kit - *What should it include?*

## What are your Essentials?

- Flashlight & batteries
- Non-perishable food
- Water
- Blankets
- Candles & matches
- First aid kit
- Spare glasses
- Medications
- Emergency #'s
- Pet supplies
- Power bank
- Extra batteries
- Legal documents

Personalize your emergency kit to what *YOUR* essential needs are



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# Stay Informed

- ✓ Stay updated
- ✓ Know how to get credible news
  - [chestermere.ca/notifyme](http://chestermere.ca/notifyme)
  - [chestermere.ca/facebook](http://chestermere.ca/facebook)
  - [chestermere.ca/twitter](http://chestermere.ca/twitter)
  - <https://emergencyalert.alberta.ca>

# What's next?



- ✓ April – Food
- ✓ May - Work, School, and Community
- ✓ June - Unique Family Needs
- ✓ July - Family Communication Plan
- ✓ August - Get Involved
- ✓ September – Be Informed
- ✓ October - Power
- ✓ November – Emergency Supplies
- ✓ December – First Aid



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# Resilience starts with you.

*“There is no harm in hoping for the best as long as you are prepared for the worst” -Stephen King*



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