



City of Bowie

15901 Excalibur Road
Bowie, Maryland 20716

March 6, 2012

Dear Community Leader:

We are approaching the season for tornadoes, hurricanes, and other forms of extreme weather and if recent events in the Midwest are any indication of what's to come, it could be another record breaking year in the U.S. in terms of storm damage.

The City of Bowie takes emergency preparedness very seriously. Our staff constantly plans and practices for how the government will respond when disaster strikes. But effective planning for emergencies isn't just government's responsibility; we also depend on individuals and families to do their part.

If a disaster were to occur in Bowie today, would you have the information and supplies you need to help get you and your family through it safely? If you don't know the answer to that question or could use some guidance in being better prepared, we'd like to help.

Staff members, who are trained in emergency preparedness planning and response, have created a short presentation on personal preparedness that they can give to your homeowners association, club, neighborhood watch group, scout troop or other organization. It can be tailored to the age, interests, special needs or abilities of a particular audience.

Remember disasters can happen anytime, anywhere, and often without warning. They can affect a single home, a single block or entire neighborhood. Help us to help you by learning more about emergency preparedness and about making your personal emergency plan.

I encourage you to contact Alan Creveling, Emergency Management Resources Coordinator (acreveling@cityofbowie.org or 301-809-3079) or Una Cooper, Communications Coordinator (ucooper@cityofbowie.org or 301-809-3032) about setting up a program for your organization.

Sincerely,

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