

Be Prepared for Power Outages and Other Emergencies in Blue Lake

The most likely local emergencies to prepare for are earthquakes, flooding, windstorms and severe weather, wildfires or large structure fires, long power outages, landslides or massive flooding from dam failure.

Frequently Asked Questions

What can I do to prepare for an emergency?



1. Get or make a kit: Basic supplies for at least 3 days – a week is better: water (a gallon per person per day), canned and packaged food, first aid supplies, flashlights, medications, pet food and water.
2. Make a plan: Make a family plan and practice so everyone will know where and how to get back together in an emergency even without power or phone connections.
3. Be informed: Know which emergencies are most likely to happen here and how to prepare.

Can I get alerts on immediate emergencies affecting Blue Lake from the Humboldt County Sheriff – Office of Emergency Services?



Yes. To register for updated information on emergencies in our area, go to: humboldt.gov/alert or call 1 707 268-2500 M-F 8 am to 4 pm

Evacuation Notice Zones: Blue Lake (City) – HUM-E049 Blue Lake Rancheria – HUM-E048

Power outage information from PG&E: Visit pge.com and click on “outages and safety” or call 1 800 743-5002 for information and/or to sign up to be notified of power outages by PG&E.

Will the City of Blue Lake’s water and sewer system work when there is no electrical power?



Yes. The city has 900,000 gallons of water in two tanks - enough for 4-5 days of normal use. Please be careful with water and sewer use when the power is out to prevent over-using the emergency generator.

In emergencies – where can I find updated information for Blue Lake?



Information from the city will be posted on the city's official Facebook page - [cityofbluelakeca](https://www.facebook.com/cityofbluelakeca) - and on the bulletin boards outside Blue Lake City Hall at 111 Greenwood Ave.

Scan an AM/FM radio for local (not Internet) stations for county-wide updates – KMUD @ 88.1 FM, KHUM @ 104.3 and 104.7 FM, and KINS @ 106.3 FM have been good information sources in past emergencies.

Where can I charge electronic devices during a long power outage?



Sites in the past have included the Blue Lake Community Resource Center, the Blue Lake Volunteer Fire Department, and the Blue Lake Rancheria (see other side). Check social media and the city bulletin boards for the most current charging sites and hours that they are open.

Where can I get help with food during an emergency?



Call or go to the Blue Lake Community Resource Center (see other side).

Where can I get more information on being prepared for emergencies?



Visit the US government's website ready.gov or Blue Lake City Hall.

Where can a disabled person get help with medical equipment and other special needs during an emergency?



Plan ahead, ask family and/or neighbors to check on you in emergencies. You can also call the Tri-County Independent Living agency to plan for help powering medical devices and with other life-sustaining emergency needs at 1 707 445-8404.

Where can I get more information during a pandemic or other public health emergency?



Go to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) website at cdc.gov, the Humboldt Health Alert website at humboldt.gov/org/2018/humboldt-health-alert, or call Humboldt County's Public Health Department at 1 707 445-6200