

What is the registry?

The registry is a database of residents in Chase, Dundy, Frontier, Furnas, Hayes, Hitchcock, Perkins and Red Willow Counties who will need more help or are likely to be disconnected from critically important support after a disaster. It contains names, addresses, and health information regarding persons who are frail, health impaired, disabled, or medically fragile. In the event of a disaster, the database is shared with emergency management officials, public health, and first responders who will aid search and rescue and the provision of emergency care.

Who should register?

If you or your loved one will require special care, attention, or additional resources in the course of rescue, evacuation, and sheltering after a disaster. Register if you or your loved one:

- Rely on homemaking, personal care, or nursing visits to maintain your independence in your home or apartment.
- Require life-sustaining equipment and uninterrupted electrical service.
- Are medically fragile and will require special care and attention.
- Have a physical limitation that substantially impairs mobility, strength, vision, hearing, or comprehension.

From: _____

To: _____

Southwest Nebraska Functional Needs Registry



An online disaster registry for those who need more help or are likely to be disconnected from critically important support after a disaster.

<http://lancaster.ne.gov/emergency/needs/index.htm>

Intent

To aid and strongly encourage persons who are most vulnerable in disasters to prepare in advance for a local emergency, as all residents should.

To aid Southwest Nebraska's emergency response agencies to anticipate and more fully plan for the needs of all residents.

To enable first responders to quickly locate, assist, and connect victims with needed support and care.

Sponsors

- Southwest Nebraska Public Health Department
308-345-4223 / erc@swhealthdept.com
- Chase County Emergency Management
308-882-7520 or 308-882-8432
- Dundy County Emergency Management
308-423-5298
- Frontier County Emergency Management
308-995-2250
- Furnas County Emergency Management
308-268-5088
- Hayes County Emergency Management
308-286-3388 / hcemgymgr@gpcom.net
- Hitchcock County Emergency Management
308-995-2250
- Perkins County Emergency Management
308-352-2101 / emermgmt@perkinscoso.com
- Red Willow County Emergency Management
308-345-1850

In cooperation with:

Lincoln/Lancaster County Emergency Management

Why is the registry important to me?

You may be very self-sufficient and have a strong support system, but when disaster hits, that inde-



pendence can be threatened. The registry is an important tool to help prepare yourself *before* a disaster happens.

Registering allows emergency planners and responders to know what kind of extra help you might need.



How Do I Enroll?

Contact your local Emergency Manager or call Southwest Nebraska Public Health Department at 308.345.4223 to help you get started or you may go online to

<http://lancaster.ne.gov/emergency/needs/index.htm>

Enrolling in this program does not guarantee immediate assistance in a local emergency; it is only part of the local emergency plan. Every resident should plan and prepare to be self-sufficient for three to five days. Your plan should include living arrangements in the event your home is damaged.

What should I include in my personal preparedness kit?

Stock supplies for at least 3 days.

- Water (1 gallon per person per day)
- Non perishable foods
- Can opener and utensils
- First aid supplies
- Hygiene supplies
- Radio (battery operated)
- Flashlight
- Whistle
- Pet supplies
- Candles & matches
- Medications and med supplies
- Emergency contact information (address & phone number)
- Extra clothing
- Blanket per person
- Extra eyeglasses or contacts
- Denture supplies
- Hand Sanitizer
- Oxygen
- Copies of prescriptions
- Lightweight manual wheelchair, walker
- Extra batteries for wheelchair, hearing aid, radio, flashlights, etc.