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(<u>Agency</u>) Encourages Americans to Get Ready During National Preparedness Month

Annual NPM helps Americans take steps toward becoming prepared

(<u>City, State</u>)– (<u>Agency</u>) is proud to be participating in the annual National Preparedness Month (NPM) in September. Sponsored by the Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) *Ready* Campaign, NPM is a nationwide effort encouraging individuals, families, businesses, first responders, and communities to work together and take action to prepare for emergencies.

NPM focuses on encouraging *all* Americans to take active steps toward getting involved and becoming prepared. Preparedness is everyone's responsibility. We have to work together, as a team, to ensure that individuals, families, and communities are ready. Individuals are encouraged to: make a family emergency plan; put together an emergency supply kit; be prepared to help your neighbor; and work as a team to keep everyone safe.

(Agency) is (Event and any details).

(Quote from your agency)

This is the (<u>Number of years that the agency has been involved with NPM</u>) year (<u>Agency</u>) has participated in NPM.

For more information about the *Ready* Campaign and National Preparedness Month, visit ready.gov or call 1-800-BE-READY, TTY 1-800-462-7585.

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