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- 1. DISASTERS RESULTS
- 2. THE ROLE OF SUSTANABILITY
- 3. PREPAREDNESS = RESILLIENCY
 4. NATURAL & MAN-MADE DISASTERS
 5. INSURANCE & MORTGAGE
- BECOME A COMMUNITY LEADER

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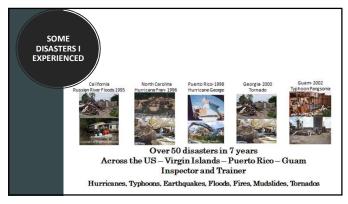
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- Ox International Bestselling Author & Speaker
 Credentials in business, leadership, executive consulting and coaching.
- Founder of Crisis Knowledge Management & Preparedness Foundation
 Founder of a national home inspection business
- Founder of 3 insurance and consulting companies
- Founder of national online education platform

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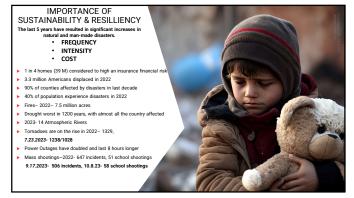










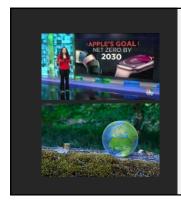












TOP INDUSTRIES CONTRIBUTING TO CLIMATE CHANGE

Innovating Ways to Empower Decarbonization & Carbon Offsetting

6 TOP INDUSTRIES CREATING GHG

- Fossil fuels
 Agriculture
 Fashion
 Food retail/Hospitality
- Transport
 Construction

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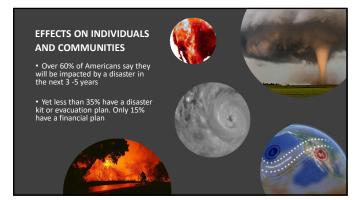


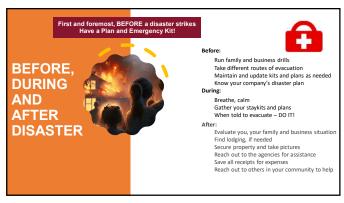






















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Steps to Prepare Your Business & Team Have a workplace emergency plan Create a crisis team Create 2 crisis centers Brainstorm strategies to mitigate risks Review insurance coverage Establish a crisis communication plan Have a business continuity plan Protect your company's data Identify critical tools and relationships Train yourself and others in first aid Have a responsibilities plan Have a plan for how to pay staff and contractors.

- Practice drills







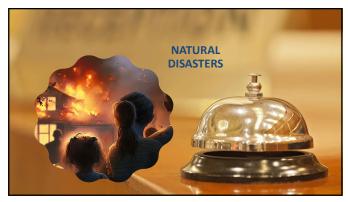












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 ▶ Potential Natural Risks ▶ Wildfires ▶ Winter Storms/Blizzards ▶ Summer Storms/Hail & Wind ▶ Floods ▶ Extreme Heat ▶ Drought ▶ Tornados ▶ Hurricanes/Tropical Storms 	 Potential Man-made Risks House Fires Crime Utility Disruptions Biological & chemical Incidents Cyber Attacks Building Collapses & Explosions Mass Shootings Pandemics/Epidemics 	an control ways
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FLOOD PREPAREDNESS

Floods can happen slowly, or they can occur as flash floods with little to no warning



- When Authorities say evacuate EVACUATE!
- Check your insurance policy for flood insurance
- Secure hazardous items
- Move as much as possible to a higher place
- Move anything important off closet floors
 Take your pets, and make sure they are safe with food and water
- Monitor your radio for warnings and advice
- Empty freezers/refrigerators leave doors open
- Turn off utilities
- Put sandbags in toilet and drain holes
- DO NOT DRIVE IN UNKNOWN WATER

FLOOD - TOO LATE TO LEAVE

- First and foremost STAY CALM
 Monitor local radio
 Get to higher ground EXCEPT the attic
 Turn off electricity and gas, do not use until equipment is checked

- equipment is checked
 Move things to higher ground
 Keep animals safe and ready for rescue
 Keep away from flood water and drains
 Do not eat any flooded food
 Boil water until local water department
 declares water to be safe for use



It is important to be prepared as flooding can be extremely emotional and dangerous

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SUMMER STORM PREPAREDNESS





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DROUGHT

- Never pour water down a drain if there is another use for it
- Repair dripping faucets or faulty plumbing
- · Insulate your pipes
- Install faucet aerators
- Install low flow shower heads
- · Install instant hot water heaters
- Install water softeners only when minerals damage pipes and turn off water when on vacation
- Choose energy and water efficient appliances
- Install low volume toilets (or place a jug of water in the tank to displace water
- Limit garbage disposal use, start a compost pile
- Plant drought tolerant plants, trees and bushes
- Install micro drip systems and soaker hoses
- · Avoid water toys that require a constant stream of water
- Only use recirculating water features
- Replace lawns with nature landscaping
 Cover pools and spas and use water-saving filters

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TORNADO PREPAREDNESS

- · Know your area's risk
- · Know the signs of a tornado
- Pay attention to weather reports
- · Go to a safe room, basement or lowest interior room
- Consider building a FEMA-approved safe room if one is not near by

- Go to safe and secure place
- Take cover by shielding your head and neck
- Listen to emergency alerts
- Do not try to outrun a tornado in a vehicle or take cover under
- If outdoors, cover your head and neck with arms and coat

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HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS

- Know your risk NOAA predictions start in April
- Sign up for alerts bookmark local emergency and TV websites
 If you are near water and are at risk for flash flooding, watch for warnings
 Check emergency kit, review plans and documents, and evacuation route
- Consider building a FEMA-approved safe room
 As the hurricane nears, start implementing

- · Listen for emergency instructions
- When told to evacuate, do it, and let people know your whereabouts
 Make sure to have a full tank of gas or fully-charged EV
 Keep phones and power banks fully charged

- Prepare property: board windows, move things to keep them as safe as possible
- If staying put, close-up everything and stay away from windows
- Turn your refrigerator/freezer to the coldest setting and only open when
- In case of power outage, place a thermometer inside refrigerator to monitor food temperature





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HOUSE FIRE

358,500 House Fires each year ► 50% start in kitchen ► 7% start in bedroom ► 6% start in chimney ► 4% start in living room ► 3% start in laundry room

Protecting homes & people from fires

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 Teach children what smoke and carbon monoxide detectors sound like and what to do when they hear one

 Everyone needs to know two ways to escape from every room in the house

 Have two places to meet

 Be certain everyone knows the emergency communication plan

 Conduct drills a minimum of twice a year

 Teach children how to dial 911

 Teach everyone to STOP, DROP and ROLL if their clothes catch fire

THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN PANDEMICS, EPIDEMICS, ENDEMICS AND OUTBREAKS



- Pandemic Disease that affects multiple countries and continents
- Epidemic Disease that affects a large population
- Endemic Disease that affects a particular people or country
- Outbreak A larger number of cases than expected or a new case in a new area

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ACTIVE SHOOTER & MASS SHOOTINGS

Active Shooter - One or more individuals actively engaged in killing or attempting to kill people in a populated area

Mass shootings- An incident that there are 4 or more shot or killed not counting

- If you see something, report it to authorities
- Sign up for active shooter training/life-saving skills
- Be aware of your environment know the two nearest exits and where to hide
- Leave your belongings when evacuating
- If possible, help others escape; however, evacuate regardless of whether others follow
- Warn others from entering the area
- If escape is not possible, hide, stay quiet and stay out of shooter's line of sight
- $\,$ Don't hide in groups, lock doors, close blinds and turn off lights
- Silence all electronic devices and make sure they won't vibrate
- When safe, call 911 and describe the shooter, location and weapons

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INSTRUCTIONS FOR HAZARDOUS MATERIAL EMERGENCIES

- ▶ Have duct tape, plastic sheeting in your emergency supply kit
- ▶Store items and products away from children
- ▶ Any difficulty breathing, irritations, headaches dizziness, cramps call the National Poison Hotline immediately
- Follow the operator's instructions completely
- ▶ Protect pets if inside take them outside if outside bring them in ▶ Turn off HVAC system if fumes are present
- ▶Stay upwind at least ½ mile and avoid breathing toxic fumes
- ► Identify above ground shelter room- go there if there is an indoor incident

 ► When there is an incident, the authorities will give you specific instructions
- ▶Any contaminated clothing put in a plastic bag and seal it do not try to wash
- ▶ Flush with soap and water any part of the body that has been in contact with the substance

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CYBERSECURITY

It is estimated that 2023 will face around 33 billion account breaches, and 8 M cyber attacks have been recorded to date, and on average, there is a hacker attack every 39 seconds

According to the Hiscox Cyber Readiness Report 47% of all businesses suffered a cyber attack of some kind in 2022

The average cost to a small business range from \$120,000 to \$1.24 million per incident

Minimize Risks:

- Keep software up-to-date and run antivirus software
- Create strong passwords and change them frequently
- Setup multi-factor authentication
- Backup files
- Utilize firewalls
- Watch for suspicious activity
- Use secure internet connections

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CYBER ATTACKS

Immediately following a cyber attack

- Contact banks, credit cards and other accounts
 Change passwords for all online accounts
- Scan and clean device(s)
- Notify others, as needed
- Make sure all software is up-to-date
- If a problem, disconnect device(s) from internet

In addition (if business)

- Assemble team to determine the size and scope of any data breach
- Take all systems offline
- Replace any infected computers
- Update credentials
- Communicate with customers or clients



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CYBER ATTACKS

- File a report with Office of the Inspector General
- File complaint with the FBI Internet Crime Complaint Center
 File a report with local police department
- Report identity theft to the Federal Trade Commission
- Depending on type of theft, contact any other agency
- Report online crime or fraud to your local United States Secret Service Electronic Crimes Task Force or the Internet Crime Complaint Center



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- Natural Gas · Bomb Threats
- Suspicious Letters & Packages

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NATURAL GAS

In July 2022, research by WBTV in Charlotte, NC uncovered disturbing statistics. They reported that:

According to PHMSA, the Federal Pipeline Hazardous Materials Safety Administration Report over the previous 12 years:

• Utilities are required to report certain incidents including those:

• Deaths

- Hospitalization
- Damage of over \$122,000
- · 2784 significant gas leaks since 2010 362 of them were explosions
- Injured nearly 700 people
- Killed 122
- · Excavations and outside forces responsible for more than 50%
- Estimated 600,000 leaks total
- Federal law doesn't require immediate disclosure of leaks to consumers

FULL STORY- https://bit.ly/WBTVGasLeaks



NATURAL GAS

- Preventing Gas Explosions

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 Locate gas lines before digging Call 811
 Install a natural gas detector and regularly test to make sure they are working properly
 Maintain all gas appliances and check them regularly
 If the smell of gas is detected:
 Get out immediately
 Don't use cellphone inside
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- Don't turn on anything electrical
- Don't light a match Have a working fire extinguisher

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BOMB THREATS

- Wary in size
 Vary in size
 Be transported in vehicles and humans
 Be detonated remotely
 Be suicide bombers

notifying building management

Immediately call 911 before

- Steps you can take to protect your business

 Take training to learn more

 Make sure everyone has up-to-date information

 Determine what types of medical needs may be needed

 Make sure there is a complete first aid kit
- What to do if there is an explosion

- When things stop falling get out as quickly as possible Be careful when walking on weaken floors and stairways If there is smoke stay as low to the ground as possible
- Do not use elevators
- Watch for fires When out of the building stay away from windows
- If trapped use whatever you can to let people know you are there
- Avoid inhaling any of the toxic dust if possible

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SUSPICIOUS LETTERS & **PACKAGES**

Take caution if letter or package: Is from someone unfamiliar

- Has no return address
- Includes restrictive endorsements
- Has a strange odor or protruding wires
- Has excessive postage Is of an unusual weight or lopsided
- Is oddly shaped

Is not addressed to a specific person

Things to do:

- Put letter or package in a sealed plastic bag
- Do NOT smell the mail
 Leave room and close the door
- Wash your hands with soap
- Make a list of everyone that was in the room
 Contact law enforcement and public health authorities

NUCLEAR POWER PLANT INCIDENTS

Since 1955: 56 Incidents

2000-2018: 13 Incidents

Worst U.S. disaster: March 28, 1979 Three Mile Island Accides March 28,1979 – Cost \$2.4 Billion

Nuclear power plants produce about 20% of the nation's electricity Nearly 3 million people live within 10 miles of a nuclear power plant Before a nuclear power plant emergency:

- Build an emergency kit
- Make a family emergency plan
- Obtain public emergency materials from power company that operates your local nuclear power plant
- Sign up for emergency alerts



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NUCLEAR POWER **PLANTS**

On average, U.S. citizens are exposed to 300 millirem of radiation per year from natural background sources

Those living within 50 miles of a nuclear power plant are exposed, on average, to an additional radiation dose of 0.01 millirem per year $\,$

In the event of an incident, local authorities will provide instructions on protective measures

During a Nuclear Power Plant Emergency

- Carefully follow instructions issued by the Emergency Alert System
- Stay out of incident zone to minimize exposure
- If evacuating by car, keep windows/vents closed
 If told to stay indoors, turn off HVAC system and other air intakes
- Shield yourself go to a basement or near heavy, dense materials

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POWER OUTAGES

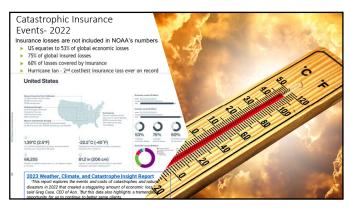
- Take inventory of items that rely on electricity
 Know power needs of medical devices
- Plan for battery, charger, surge protector needs
 Install carbon monoxide detectors
- Have supplies and nonperishable food/water
 Have a thermometer for refrigeration and throw out food if it gets above 40° F
- Include in business continuity plan Invest in a backup generator

Surviving During

- Keep refrigerators and freezers closed Do not use a gas stove to heat home
- Disconnect appliances & electronics
- Have a battery backup for computers
- Have hotspots available
- Factor power outages into your business continuity plan

- When in doubt, throw it out
 If power is out over 24 hours, discard
- refrigerated medication(s)
- Check equipment and appliances
- · Turn off generator in a safe manner
- Determine losses and recovery costs



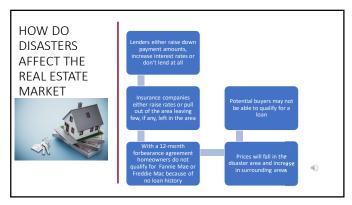


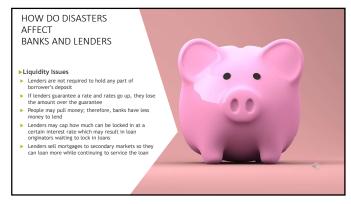


SOLUTIONS & MI Insurance Plays a Role in Disaster Reducing Greenhouse C FEMA "Homeowners Guide to Gran	Resilience and cases
Homeowners may receive funding assistance through: Increased Cost of Compliance payments Insurance payments U.S. Small Business Administration disaster loans State, territory, federally-recognized tribe, and/or local government Donated resources What are the benefits of the HMGP? Incorporating hazard mitigation measures into your home offers multiple benefits, including: Reduces risk from further damage Increases the strength of your home to withstand severe weather May lower insurance premiums May increase property value Home is more sustainable	Example: Total Project Cost \$200,0006 PROBAL COST SHARE SSISSION (15) percent) WOM-FEDBAL COST SHARE COST SHA













GOVERNMENTAL SERVICES

Federal Emergency Management Agency

- ▶ Ready.gov
- National Flood Insurance Program
- Community Emergency Response Team
 U.S. National Response Team
- National Domestic Preparedness Consortium

Other Agencies

- ► Local Emergency Agencies
- ▶ Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
- ► Small Business Administration
- ▶ FBI
- Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms

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FAITH BASED ORGANIZATIONS







- The Salvation Army
- Volunteers of America®
- Samaritan's Purse
- NECHAMA Jewish Response to Disaster
 - Children's Disaster Services
 - Friends Disaster Service
 - Catholic Charities USA®



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