

Village of Ellenville
Winter Storm Preparedness

You may need to survive on your own after an emergency. This means having your own food, water and other supplies in sufficient quantity to last for at least three days. Local officials and relief workers will be on the scene after a disaster, but they cannot reach everyone immediately. You can get help in hours, or it might take days. In addition, basic services such as electricity, gas, water, sewage treatment, and telephones may be cut off for days, or even a week or longer.

In the event emergency services are needed call 911

Or

Village Police Department – 647-4422

You can assist making the Village safer during and after the storm by:

- Avoid parking on the street wherever possible
- Keep sidewalks and paths free of ice and snow
- Never throw, blow or plow snow into the street
- Clear Fire Hydrants

Necessary Storm Preparation & Tips

- Subscribe to NY Alert (www.NYALERT.gov) to get the latest watches and warnings direct from the National Weather Service
- Have a family disaster plan
- Be especially conscious to look out for elderly, disabled and children
- Have a plan for your pets (pets are not allowed in general population shelters)
- Be prepared for extended power outages. Have a supply of batteries, a battery operated radio, and flashlights (avoid the use of candles whenever possible due to the fire hazard)
- Have enough potable water for each person (one gallon per person, per day). Have a quantity of nonperishable food (and a manual can opener.)
- Have first aid kit and extra medications on hand
- Have a small quantity of cash on hand in case ATM machines are without power. Heed all official warnings including orders to evacuate
- Never drive through flooded roadways – Turn Around, Don't Drown! Consider all down wires to be energized
- Never run a generator or charcoal cooking appliances indoors (great danger of carbon monoxide poisoning)
- Get a Kit, Make a Plan, Be Prepared

Recommended Items to Include in a Basic Emergency Supply Kit:

- Water, one gallon of water per person per day for at least three days, for drinking and sanitation
- Food, at least a three day supply on non-perishable food
- Battery powered or hand crank radio and a NOAA Weather Radio with tone alert and extra batteries for both
- Flashlight and extra batteries
- First aid kit
- Whistle for signal for help
- Dust mask, to help filter contaminated air and plastic sheeting and duct tape to shelter-in-place
- Moist towelettes, garbage bags and plastic ties for personal situation
- Wrench or pliers to turn off utilities
- Can opener for food (if kit contains canned food)
- Local maps
- Cell phone with chargers, inverter or solar charger

Additional Items to Consider Adding to an Emergency Supply Kit:

- Prescription medications and glasses
- Infant formula and diapers
- Pet food and extra water for your pet
- Cash or traveler's checks and change
- Important family documents such as copies of insurance policies, identification and bank account records in a waterproof, portable container
- Emergency reference material such as a first aid book
- Sleeping bag or warm blanket for each person
- Complete change of clothing including a long sleeved shirt, long pants and sturdy shoes
- Fire extinguisher
- Matches in a waterproof container
- Feminine supplies and personal hygiene items
- Mess kits, paper cups, plates and plastic utensils, paper towels
- Paper and pencil
- Books, games, puzzles or other activities for children

If you must evacuate:

- In case of evacuation, plan now where you will go and have the plan in place where your family members will meet to evacuate
- Know multiple routes to your destination
- Secure your home as best you can
- Top off your car's gas tank before the storm
- Have a print out of all important phone numbers
- Have your "go" bag ready with all essentials. Clothing, first aid kit, medications, etc. Have at least three day's worth, if not more, of medications and supplies- especially for infants and the elderly.
- Have three days' worth of water, one gallon per person and for your pets
- Have canned food and energy/vitamin bars
- Have flashlights and extra batteries
- Have a portable radio, monitor the advisories and be prepared for anything
- Have cash on hand, as ATMs and banks may not be accessible
- Have protective clothing, rain gear, blankets or sleeping bags.