Reproductive Health Preparedness in Climate Emergencies

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When disasters strike, sexual & reproductive health needs are overlooked. Sexual Health Emergency Preparedness Kits bridge the gap, providing products to communities impacted by extreme weather. Create a kit on X during X. Learn more- https://linktr.ee/CenterSHEP

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Health message -

During disasters like hurricanes, an increase in sexual risk-taking behaviors, and a lack of healthcare can lead to an increase in sexually transmitted infections and unintended pregnancies. To address and bridge the critical intersection of reproductive justice, gender equity, and climate resilience, learn how to make a sexual health emergency preparedness (SHEP) kit for yourself. The goal of SHEP is to fill the sexual and reproductive health needs gap while educating people on how to integrate reproductive health into their own emergency preparedness plans. Create a kit on X during X. Learn more- https://linktr.ee/CenterSHEP

Environmental message -

Climate-fueled extreme weather continues to batter communities around the country. In addition to heartbreaking loss of life and property, these disasters can cause sexual and reproductive health disruptions — yet items like condoms, emergency contraception, and pregnancy tests are often left off emergency checklists. To fix that problem and raise



awareness, we invite you to make your own sexual health emergency preparedness (SHEP) kit. Create a kit on X during X. Learn more- https://linktr.ee/CenterSHEP

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Environmental disasters, like extreme weather events, can limit access to abortions and contraception, making reproductive autonomy more difficult. During disasters like hurricanes, an increase of sexual risk-taking behaviors, and a lack of healthcare can lead to an increase in sexually transmitted infections and unintended pregnancies.

Hurricane Katrina caused disruption in family planning services for people in New Orleans even five to six months after the storm. After Hurricane Maria in Puerto Rico, only one 1 of 6 free abortion clinics remained open, which resulted in limited access to pregnancy tests and abortions.

To address and bridge the critical intersection of reproductive justice, gender equity, and climate resilience, we are creating Sexual Health Emergency Preparedness (SHEP) Kits. The primary goal of SHEP is to fill the sexual and reproductive health needs gap while educating people on how to integrate reproductive health into their own emergency preparedness plans.

SHEP was first piloted in Florida in 2024 by the Center for Biological Diversity. In the first year, hundreds of kits were distributed, including 250 around Hurricanes Milton and Helene. While each kit can be personalized, typical SHEP kit items include oral contraception, internal and external condoms, pregnancy tests and lube. Create a kit on X during X. Learn more- https://linktr.ee/CenterSHEP





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