



SECURITY BULLETIN

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS: STRENGTHENING OUR HOUSEHOLDS AND CONGREGATION

REAL EVENTS. REAL RISKS. REAL PREPAREDNESS.

OCTOBER 27, 2026

GREETINGS FAMILY,

Governments and emergency management agencies around the world are increasingly urging their citizens to prepare for potential disruptions to critical infrastructure. Recent military preparedness initiatives, cyberattacks, severe weather events, and ongoing international conflicts demonstrate why we must take these warnings seriously. **These are not hypothetical scenarios. They are documented events from this year.**

*"Preparation today
builds resilience
tomorrow."*

RECENT EVENTS HIGHLIGHTING INFRASTRUCTURE VULNERABILITIES IN 2026



**U.S. PENTAGON
FORTRESS AMERICA**
SEPT 30, 2026
(REPORTS OCT 25–26, 2026)

The Department of Defense is assessing approximately 500 military installations to sustain essential operations **for at least 90 days** without relying on civilian infrastructure (electricity, water, fuel, or communications).

This demonstrates the seriousness with which our government is approaching the possibility of prolonged disruptions.



**FRANCE
SUPERMARKET
CYBERATTACK**
OCT 11–12, 2026

A coordinated cyberattack targeted refrigeration control systems at hundreds of supermarkets, causing temperatures to rise and destroying large quantities of refrigerated and frozen foods. Several major retailers were affected, resulting in significant losses and supply chain disruptions.

Shows how cyberattacks can quickly disrupt food supplies even when electricity remains available.



**CLAYTON COUNTY,
GEORGIA
WATER DISRUPTION**
JULY 27, 2026

A disruption to the public water system caused reduced water pressure and a precautionary boil-water advisory. Authorities investigated possible unauthorized cyber activity, although a cyberattack has not been conclusively established as the cause.

Demonstrates the vulnerability of drinking water systems and the importance of household water supplies.



**UNITED KINGDOM
POWER FACILITY
CYBERATTACK**
JULY 2026

A cyberattack affected a small electricity-generating facility, demonstrating the vulnerability of energy infrastructure to cyber threats. The incident did not cause a widespread national power outage.

Shows that critical infrastructure can be targeted, even in highly developed nations.



**GARY, INDIANA
PROLONGED
POWER OUTAGE**
AUG 11–25, 2026

Severe storms damaged electrical infrastructure, leaving some residents without electricity for nearly two weeks. Families experienced food spoilage, disrupted communications, and significant hardships.

Demonstrates how quickly severe weather can cause extended outages in urban areas.



**MISSISSIPPI &
LOUISIANA
WINTER STORM**
JAN 2026

A major winter storm caused extensive damage to electrical infrastructure, leaving some communities without electricity for more than two weeks.

Shows that extended infrastructure disruptions can occur across multiple states and regions.



ONGOING GLOBAL CONFLICTS INCREASE THE RISKS

The continuing conflict between Russia and Ukraine, instability involving Iran, Israel, and the United States, and tensions affecting the Middle East and international shipping routes create additional risks to global energy supplies, transportation, food distribution, and economic stability. Events abroad can have serious consequences for our communities here at home.



HOUSEHOLD PREPAREDNESS PRIORITIES

MINIMUM 14 DAYS | PREFERRED GOAL 30 DAYS

Every household is strongly encouraged to maintain an emergency supply that allows you to function independently of public utilities and commercial services. Refer to the previously issued Personal Infrastructure and Emergency Preparedness Guide for more details and specific equipment recommendations.



FOOD

Shelf-stable foods requiring little or no refrigeration, with sufficient quantities for every household member.



WATER

At least one gallon per person per day for drinking and basic sanitation, with additional provisions where possible.



SANITATION AND HYGIENE

Toilet paper, cleaning supplies, personal hygiene products, and alternative sanitation arrangements.



MEDICAL SUPPLIES

First-aid materials, essential medications, and other necessary medical supplies.



ALTERNATIVE INFRASTRUCTURE

Backup electrical power, safe heating and cooling methods, alternative cooking equipment, emergency lighting, and independent communications capabilities.



ELECTION PREPAREDNESS

With important elections approaching, particularly in Michigan, Georgia, and Texas, we encourage members to vote early when possible, remain aware of local conditions, and be prepared to limit unnecessary travel should disruptions occur. Maintaining the ability to remain safely at home for at least 24–48 hours is a reasonable precaution.



A COLLECTIVE RESPONSIBILITY

Our first responsibility is to strengthen our own households. As our preparedness capabilities increase, we must also work toward developing the capacity to assist fellow members, neighbors, and others who may be vulnerable during an emergency. Our collective resilience will depend upon the preparedness of our individual households and our willingness to work together.



THE TIME TO PREPARE IS NOW

This bulletin is not intended to create fear or anxiety. It is intended to communicate a genuine sense of urgency. We cannot predict when or where the next major disruption will occur. However, the events of this year demonstrate that extended emergencies are possible and that preparation can make a significant difference.

Do not wait. Start with what you can afford, build your supplies progressively, and make preparedness an ongoing household priority.

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*"A Prepared People
Builds a Stronger Tomorrow."*

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