

Store vital documents in a waterproof, fireproof, and portable document holder.

Vital Documents

■ Identification

- ☐ Driver's licenses, state IDs.
- ☐ Passports (including expired ones for proof).
- ☐ Social Security cards.
- ☐ Immigration or naturalization papers.

■ Property & Residence

- ☐ Home deed or lease agreement.
- ☐ Mortgage documents.
- ☐ Property tax records.
- ☐ Utility bills (for proof of address).

■ Financial & Legal

- ☐ Bank account and credit card info.
- ☐ Tax returns (last 2–3 years).
- ☐ Wills, powers of attorney.
- ☐ Divorce, custody, or adoption papers.
- ☐ Titles for vehicles.

■ Medical

- ☐ Health insurance cards.
- ☐ List of medications (names, dosages).
- ☐ Allergy and blood type information.
- ☐ Living will or medical directives.
- ☐ Copies of prescriptions.
- ☐ Emergency contact list (printed).

Medications & Health Supplies

- ☐ Prescriptions (in original containers).
- ☐ Over-the-counter pain relievers, allergy meds.
- ☐ Glasses + backup pair / contacts & solution.
- ☐ Inhalers, insulin, EpiPens.
- ☐ Medical devices (CPAP, hearing aids, etc).

Your Disaster Survival Checklist

Stay prepared with this disaster survival checklist—an easy-to-follow checklist of what important documents to save before a disaster.

Life Safety First

- ☐ Prioritize gathering all family members.
- ☐ Use a pre-planned emergency meeting spot.
- ☐ Ensure everyone knows escape routes and emergency contacts.

Pets

- ☐ Leash
- ☐ Collar
- ☐ ID tags
- ☐ Carrier/crate for safe transport.
- ☐ 5-day supply of pet food & water.
- ☐ Waste disposal bags.
- ☐ Vaccination records and any medications.
- ☐ Recent photo of your pet.
- ☐ Microchip information and emergency contact for your vet.

NNJLS provides free legal assistance to under-resourced residents in Bergen, Hudson, & Passaic Counties. If you've been affected by a disaster, like Hurricane Ida, NNJLS can help with FEMA claims, lost documents, and other urgent legal needs.

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