SAFE BUILDINGS

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Safe Buildings, also referred to as Reception Centres are facilities / locations set up by local Emergency Support Services, in cooperation with the local authority to provide temporary support and safe gathering places for residents who are displaced / required to evacuate their homes as a result of being impacted by a disaster. They provide short-term services for individuals and families affected by disasters, for example information about the disaster, basic needs, and help plan their recovery and next steps following a disaster.

Stay informed during an emergency by monitoring local radio, television and social media.

Sign up to receive Alberta Emergency Alerts to keep you informed of potential risks to your health, safety or community.
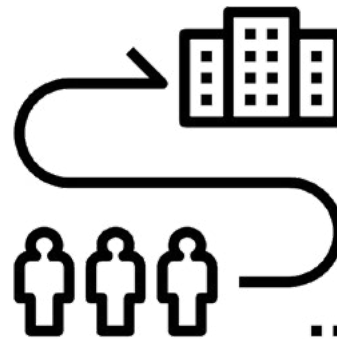
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Depending on the type and severity of the disaster, the Emergency Support Response Team (ESRT) may activate Reception Centres for citizens displaced from their homes.

If a Reception Centre is established in your area or community, and you live in the affected area, it is important to personally register - even if you do not require assistance and choose to stay with family or friends. Emergency responders use the registration process to ensure all affected residents are accounted for and safe. During a disaster or emergency, the City of Edmonton is a great place to stay up-to-date by checking out their Facebook or Twitter accounts, the City website, or by phoning 311.

Click here for the City of Edmonton's Emergency Guide

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RED DEER

Due to the unpredictable nature of emergency events, the City of Red Deer does not publicly pre-designate Evacuation Locations or Reception Centres.

They have a number of facilities throughout the City identified as potential locations for evacuees during emergencies. They work with these locations to train and prepare for possible emergency events.

In the event of an emergency, Emergency Social Services (ESS), including Welcome and Reception Centres, can be activated at the call of the Department of Emergency Management or designate. Emergency Management has a 24/7 on-call number: 403-318-6549.
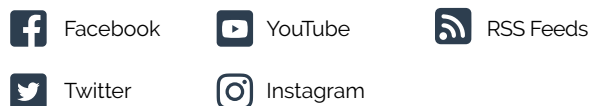
If you are directed to evacuate, follow the direction of municipal and emergency officials. They will provide you with important information including the location of any activated Reception Centres.

Notify Red Deer is the easiest way to get alerts from The City during emergencies. Notify Red Deer will send you information quickly in situations that are important to the safety of you and your family such as, flooding, evacuation, or shelter in place.
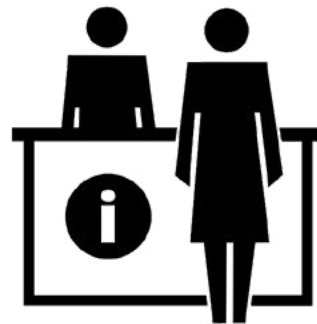
Click here to sign up

Follow the City of Red Deer on social media for updates:

f Facebook   ▶ YouTube   🔊 RSS Feeds

🐦 Twitter   📷 Instagram

Click here for the City of Red Deer's
Emergency Preparedness Booklet

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EVACUATION TIPS:

1. Be patient and remain calm
2. Tune into your local radio station or news channel to find out when and where Safe Buildings have opened
3. Take note of disaster response routes designated for use by emergency personnel - the public will not be allowed to travel on these during a disaster
4. Research travel options to Safe Buildings - shortest distance to safety
5. Incorporate closest pre-determined Safe Buildings into your Family Emergency / Evacuation Plan. Identify primary evacuation routes from multiple locations (i.e., offices, home, schools)

ACT NOW!

- Know the risks in your city
- Make a Family Emergency Plan
- Get an Emergency Preparedness Kit
- Learn about your Municipality's Emergency Management Plans to protect yourselves and your families in the event of a disaster
- Stay informed - download smartphone apps (i,e., Quakefeed App, Be Ready App)
- Ensure property insurance coverage is up to date
- Secure heavy items and hanging objects
- Practice "Drop, Cover, and Hold on!"