



Canadian Red Cross / Croix-Rouge canadienne

Accessibility in an Emergency





Red Cross Mission

To improve the lives of vulnerable people by
mobilizing the power of humanity in
Canada and around the world





Fundamental Principles

Humanity

Impartiality

Neutrality

Independence

Voluntary Service

Unity

Universality

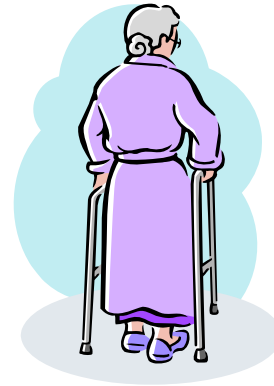




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People are People



No matter what the emergency situation and no matter who is effected by the disaster Red Cross is there to respond with assistance as best they can.

Remember the Mission of the Canadian Red Cross



Be Prepared

- Discuss with your family, friends and neighbours how you need to be prepared for an emergency and how they can assist in your preparation.
- Have a specific emergency contact list to your needs.
- Use a buddy system during an emergency.
- Know basic first aid.
- List, identify and label all your medications, support workers, equipment, translation services, equipment repair services and other medical needs.
- Work with appropriate agencies to improve communication and alerts during a disaster.



What We Can Do For You

- Assist you in being prepared by delivering Personal Preparedness Information Presentations to your specific support groups. We have already given one presentation to the Canadian Hearing Society.
- Work with you on specific issues you would encounter in a reception/lodging centre such as translation services, building an emergency contact list for individuals. Assist in developing a reasonable solution to issues.



What You Can Do For Us

- Assist in training our volunteer responders to improve your situation in a disaster.
- Participate in Disaster Exercises so that we took practical training.
 - We are holding an exercise on April 24, 2010
 - Please join us as evacuees
- Become a volunteer in the Disaster Management Program



When Help is Needed

- I would like to work together with this committee and citizens of York Region to enhance accessibility in Reception and Lodging Centres.

Thank you for your support and assistance.
I look forward to working with your committee.