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### Top Six Tips for Librarians

1. Establish partnerships with multiple organizations and government agencies, maintaining solid, long-term relationships to facilitate emergency response and recovery.
2. Apply multiple channels (including social media platforms) and technology for information distribution and services.
3. Prepare reliable, easy-to-understand resources in multiple languages to provide information services on site and remotely.
4. Develop user-friendly training materials on how to use online information related to disasters and health.
5. Better educate librarians for community engagement with the required knowledge and skills to recognize the importance of public libraries as community catalysts that can vitally aid in disaster preparedness, response, and recovery.
6. Team up health sciences librarians and public librarians to deliver real-time health information services via multiple channels; can also partner with social workers and mental health professionals for both community and staff.

### Disaster and Emergency Plans and Kits

- [dPlan: The Online Disaster-Planning Tool](http://www.dplan.org)  
(<http://www.dplan.org>)
- [Make a Plan: Ready.gov](https://www.ready.gov/plan)  
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- [Red Cross: How to Prepare for Emergencies](https://www.redcross.org/get-help/how-to-prepare-for-emergencies.html)  
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- [RHHub: Rural Emergency Preparedness and Response Toolkit](https://www.ruralhealthinfo.org/toolkits/emergency-preparedness)  
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- [NJ State Library Disaster Planning and Community Resiliency Guidebook](https://www.njstatelib.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/01/The-Librarian-Guidebook-July-21-Final.pdf)  
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- [COSTEP Emergency Management Framework](https://www.nedcc.org/assets/media/documents/COSTEP_framework_1.pdf)  
([https://www.nedcc.org/assets/media/documents/COSTEP\\_framework\\_1.pdf](https://www.nedcc.org/assets/media/documents/COSTEP_framework_1.pdf))
- [CCAHA National Resource Guide for Disaster Preparedness](https://guides.statelibrary.sc.gov/disaster-preparedness)
- [SC State Library Emergency Preparedness Toolkit](https://guides.statelibrary.sc.gov/disaster-preparedness)  
(<https://guides.statelibrary.sc.gov/disaster-preparedness>)
- [South Central Regional Library Council: Disaster Plan Templates](https://scrlc.libguides.com/c.php?g=327923&p=2201996)  
(<https://scrlc.libguides.com/c.php?g=327923&p=2201996>)
- [The Healing Library Kits](https://www.thehealinglibraryus.com/)(<https://www.thehealinglibraryus.com/>)
- [International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions \(IFLA\): Disaster Planning: Prevention, Preparedness, Response, Recovery](https://archive.ifla.org/VI/6/dswmedia/en/pdf/txt_sini.pdf) ([https://archive.ifla.org/VI/6/dswmedia/en/pdf/txt\\_sini.pdf](https://archive.ifla.org/VI/6/dswmedia/en/pdf/txt_sini.pdf))

## **Libraries Catalyze Communities in Times of Crisis: A Participatory Workshop**

### **Other Resources**

- [National Library of Medicine: Emergency & Disaster Resources](https://www.nlm.gov/guides/emergency-and-disaster-resources)  
(<https://www.nlm.gov/guides/emergency-and-disaster-resources>)
- [New Jersey State Library: Disaster Preparedness for Organizations](https://www.njstatelib.org/services_for_libraries/resources/disaster_planning/)  
([https://www.njstatelib.org/services\\_for\\_libraries/resources/disaster\\_planning/](https://www.njstatelib.org/services_for_libraries/resources/disaster_planning/))
- [Library of Congress: Emergency Management](https://www.loc.gov/preservation/emergprep) (<https://www.loc.gov/preservation/emergprep>)
- [Public Library Association: Emergency Preparedness](https://www.ala.org/pla/resources/tools/directors-managers-administrators/emergency-preparedness)  
(<https://www.ala.org/pla/resources/tools/directors-managers-administrators/emergency-preparedness>)
- [NorthNet Library System: Recovering Together Project](https://libraryrecovery.org/) (<https://libraryrecovery.org/>)
- [How to Apply for Disaster/FEMA Assistance](https://www.disasterassistance.gov/) (<https://www.disasterassistance.gov/>)

### **Trainings**

- [WebJunction: Disaster Planning and Community Resiliency at Your Library](https://www.webjunction.org/events/webjunction/disaster-planning-community-resiliency.html)  
(<https://www.webjunction.org/events/webjunction/disaster-planning-community-resiliency.html>)
- [WebJunction: Climate Action Planning \(Part 2\): Disaster Preparedness and Community Resilience](https://www.webjunction.org/events/webjunction/climate-action-planning-2.html)  
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- [WebJunction: Civil Legal Issues of Natural Disasters: Libraries Can Help](https://www.webjunction.org/events/webjunction/civil-legal-issues-of-natural-disasters.html)  
(<https://www.webjunction.org/events/webjunction/civil-legal-issues-of-natural-disasters.html>)
- [FEMA Emergency Management Institute Trainings](https://www.fema.gov/node/emergency-management-institute-trainings)  
(<https://www.fema.gov/node/emergency-management-institute-trainings>)
- [NNLM: Class Recordings – Disasters](https://www.nlm.gov/training/recordings?combine=disasters) (<https://www.nlm.gov/training/recordings?combine=disasters>)

### **Mental Health Resources**

- [National Alliance on Mental Health: Mental Health Education Resources](https://www.nami.org/Support-Education/Mental-Health-Education)  
(<https://www.nami.org/Support-Education/Mental-Health-Education>)
- [Society for Human Resource Management: Mental Health Resources](https://www.shrm.org/resourcesandtools/pages/mental-health.aspx)  
(<https://www.shrm.org/resourcesandtools/pages/mental-health.aspx>)
- [SAMHSA: Disaster Preparedness, Response, and Recovery](https://www.samhsa.gov/disaster-preparedness)  
(<https://www.samhsa.gov/disaster-preparedness>)

### **LibGuides**

- [American Library Association: Library Disaster Preparedness & Response LibGuide](https://libguides.ala.org/disaster)  
(<https://libguides.ala.org/disaster>)
- [Illinois Library: Preparedness for Libraries LibGuide](https://guides.library.illinois.edu/c.php?g=1061154) (<https://guides.library.illinois.edu/c.php?g=1061154>)
- [South Carolina State Library: Disaster and Emergency Preparedness for Libraries](http://guides.statelibrary.sc.gov/disaster-preparedness)  
(<http://guides.statelibrary.sc.gov/disaster-preparedness>)
- [South Central Regional Library Council: Disaster Planning and Recovery for Libraries](https://sclrc.libguides.com/Disaster-Planning)  
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