

2021 Fall: Into Safety!



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Power Out?

Sudden power outages can be frustrating and troublesome. Here are some tips to minimize loss and keep all members of your household as comfortable as possible. <https://www.ready.gov/power-outages>



Volunteer Spotlight

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- *Tell us a little about yourself. How long have you been volunteering with Tulalip Tribes EM?*
 - ◊ About 14 years, about a year after I moved here. I've seen it through a lot of changes.
- *How did you get started volunteering?*
 - ◊ I started with ESCA (now part of SnoDEM) when I lived in Edmonds. They showed me how effective volunteering for emergency management can be.
- *What motivates you to give back to the community with Tulalip Tribes EM?*
 - ◊ We all have a duty as community members to share our talents and knowledge with others in benefit of the community. I was lucky to be raised by parents that had a strong sense of service to others and saw them volunteering for many causes. I've always been interested in communications and TEM allows me to share those gifts.
- *What is your favorite thing about volunteering with Tulalip Tribes EM?*
 - ◊ Working with the knowledgeable and professional staff at TEM. The second-best thing is all the training TEM provides.
- *What would you say to someone who's thinking of volunteering?*
 - ◊ Come join in, we'll train you. It's a great way to meet other good people. No one discusses politics, it's all about the mission and how we can better support it. It's a wonderful way to step out of the day-to-day grind and work on something that will help our local community.



Electrical Equipment

- Turn off and unplug all unnecessary electrical equipment, including sensitive electronics.
- Turn off or disconnect any appliances (like stoves), equipment or electronics you were using when the power went out. When power comes back on, surges or spikes can damage equipment.
- Leave one light turned on so you'll know when the power comes back on.

Staying Safe After a Power Outage

- If electrical power lines are down, don't touch them. Keep your family and pets away. Report downed lines to your utility company.

Staying Safe Indoors

- Use flashlights in the dark, not candles.
- Eliminate unnecessary travel, especially by car. Traffic lights will be out and roads will be congested.
- If you are using a generator be sure you understand the risks of carbon monoxide poisoning and how to use generators safely. <https://www.energy.gov/ceser/emergency-preparedness/community-guidelines-energy-emergencies/using-backup-generators>



Be Seen On Halloween!

Have No Fear! Halloween is Here

Halloween is one of the most anticipated nights of the year for kids. Keep kids safe by making sure they trick or treat with an adult if under the age of 12, and that kiddos have flashlights or glow sticks to be more visible to motorists. Be safe and be seen!

What **You Can** Do – COVID19

Consider alternate activities to 'trick or treating' — you could attend a local Halloween event (i.e. check out local farms) that has social distancing practices in place and be sure to mask up!

A **Chilling** Fact

Kids are more than twice as likely to be hit by a car and killed on Halloween than on any other day of the year.



Where to Find **Visibility Stuff**

These items can be found at mass retailers, party stores, sporting good stores and online.

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Drive Safely as It Gets Darker!

Fall Back: November 7th



Daylight Savings Time ends every year on the first Sunday in November. This means it starts to get darker earlier. Preparedness Tip: When you change your clocks backward by one hour, it's also a great time to check the batteries in your smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors.