Planning Ahead
Designing Tomorrow with Communities Today.

PLANNING AHEAD RESOURCE HUB

Household Flood Plan

If flood water started rising tomorrow, this plan tells your household where higher ground is, how to get there, where your papers are, and who will check on you.

Household name: _____ **Address:** _____ **Date completed:** _____

1 Choose a trusted source for weather and flood alerts

- ☐ Register for Alert Durham (dconc.gov, search "Alert Durham")
- ☐ Turn on emergency alerts on every phone

Our weather source: _____

2 Check your home's flood risk

- ☐ We looked up our address on the flood map linked on the Flooding page at aplanahead.com

Our home is (circle one): in a mapped flood zone / near a creek or low area / not near a known flood area

Places on our street or route that flood: _____

3 Look into flood insurance

Most homeowners and renters policies do not cover flood damage.

Policy	Company or agent	Policy number	Phone
Flood insurance			
Home or renters insurance			

4 Know your route to higher ground

	Where
Higher ground we will go to	
Main route	
Backup route (if roads flood)	

5 Plan for medicines and health needs

Person	Medicine or device	What we need	Backup plan

6 Protect important papers

- ☐ IDs, insurance policies, leases or deeds, and medical information are in a waterproof bag we can grab fast
- ☐ Copies are saved somewhere we can reach from a phone

7 Keep supplies for several days

- ☐ Water (1 gallon per person per day)
- ☐ Food that does not need cooking
- ☐ Flashlights, batteries, and a radio
- ☐ First aid supplies, boots, and gloves
- ☐ Phone chargers and a backup battery

8 Save key phone numbers

Emergency: 911 · **Report flooded city streets to Durham One Call:** 919-560-1200 · **NC 211:** 2-1-1 or 1-888-892-1162 · **Duke Energy outages:** 800-769-3766

Who	Name	Phone
Out-of-area contact		
Neighbor		

9 Identify people you'll check on

Name	Phone	What they may need

10 Plan for your pets

Pet	Food and medicine	Carrier or leash	Vet phone

Remember: Turn around, don't drown. Never walk, swim, or drive through flood water.

We practiced this plan on: _____

Next review: _____

Because you matter.

Planning Ahead is a Durham-based nonprofit helping communities across North Carolina prepare for climate emergencies. Want help building your plan? Attend a Planning Ahead workshop, or request a workshop for your community.

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