

What is Ready Summit?

Ready Summit is a voluntary registry that allows individuals with functional needs, who may require assistance during an emergency or disaster, an opportunity to register with the Ready Summit program database. During an emergency or disaster (such as a power outage, tornado, flood or infectious disease outbreak), the database will provide emergency responders, in the affected area, with important information about citizens with functional needs. This is important so that emergency responders know about the individuals who may need assistance and can develop a more effective response.

Ready Summit in no way ensures that the individual enrolling in the program will receive immediate or preferential treatment in an emergency.

This program simply provides the emergency response community with information to assist in developing an effective response plan, whether for sheltering-in-place or evacuation.

Ready Summit should be considered by individuals who have no family or friend support structure in their community and are not part of a group facility or care facility such as a hospital, nursing home or congregate living facility.

Ready Summit does not replace the responsibility of individuals to have their own emergency plan. Being prepared is important for everyone.

Frequently Asked Questions

What are functional needs?

The term “functional needs” covers a broad spectrum of conditions, which are generally grouped into five categories:

- **Maintaining Independence.** This category includes individuals who rely on assistance in order to be independent in daily activities. This support may include supplies (diapers, catheters, ostomy materials, etc.), durable medical equipment (wheelchairs, walkers, scooters, etc.), and attendants or caregivers.
- **Communication.** This category includes individuals who may have difficulty understanding how to get assistance because of hearing, vision, speech, cognitive, or intellectual limitations, and/or limited English language skills.
- **Transportation.** This category includes individuals who cannot drive or who do not have a vehicle and may not be able to evacuate without assistance, such as specialized vehicles or mass transportation.
- **Supervision.** This category includes individuals who rely on caregivers in daily life.
- **Medical care.** This category includes individuals who are not self-sufficient or who do not have adequate caregiver support, who may need help managing their medical conditions.

How do I know if I'm eligible?

A list of medical conditions is provided on the website, but may not include all conditions that would make someone eligible. If you have any questions about eligibility, please contact Ali Capoun at the number listed in this brochure.

How do I register?

Individuals can submit applications to the program by completing the Registration form on the Ready Summit website www.readysummit.org.

Is my information safe? Will the database be sold?

All information provided during your registration process is completely confidential and all measures of internet security are in place to assure the safety of sending and maintaining your information. Your information will never be sold.

How is information kept up-to-date?

It is critical that participants' information stay current and include address, contact information and health status. Participants may update their information by contacting an administrator listed on the website, www.readysummit.org, or simply re-registering online and the most current information will be saved.

What is the cost for the program?

Nothing. This is a free service for residents of Summit County.

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What will you do during an emergency or disaster?

Do you have a plan?

Who will you call?

Are you prepared to be on your own for 3 days?

These are important questions that every resident of Summit County should have answers for, but unfortunately many do not. Although personal preparedness begins with the individual, Summit County understands that there are residents with severe health or medical conditions or other functional needs who will require special help in an emergency. That's why Summit County has developed **Ready Summit**, a registry for residents of Summit County with functional needs.

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Ready Summit is:

- ✔ Completely voluntary
- ✔ Secure and confidential
- ✔ Free to register

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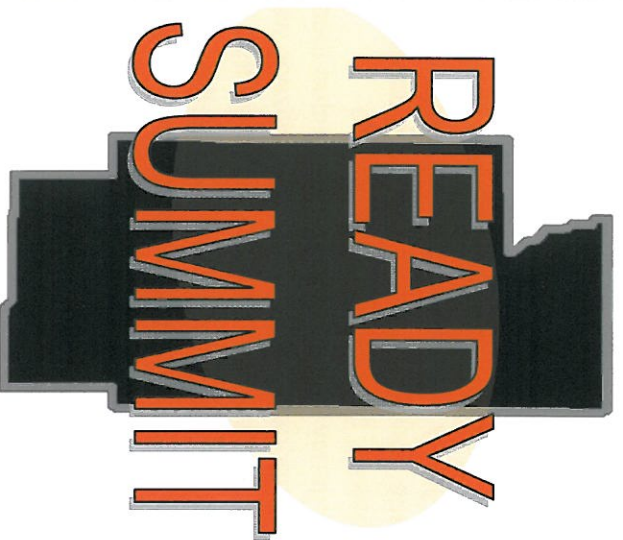
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