

Neighborhood Mutual Aid Supply Checklist

Strong communities are resilient communities. A neighborhood mutual aid supply plan allows neighbors to pool resources, assist the vulnerable, and respond quickly to crises. This checklist outlines key items and shared resources for neighborhood-level preparedness.

Communication Tools

- Group phone/text chain or walkie-talkie plan
- Clipboard with resident contact info and skills
- Whistles or signaling devices
- Neighborhood map with marked homes and resources
- Battery-powered or hand-crank radio (for updates)

Shared Medical Supplies

- Extra first aid kits and trauma gear
- Common OTC medications (pain relief, allergy, digestive)
- Thermometers and gloves
- Backup prescription meds (if allowable by law)

Food & Water Coordination

- Inventory of neighbors with food stocks
- Bulk water storage containers
- Water filters and purification tablets
- Designated community cooking area or tools

Power & Lighting

- Extension cords for sharing generator power
- Solar-powered lights or lanterns
- Spare batteries and charging stations
- Shared generator or fuel storage (safe/legal only)

Tools & Repairs

- Basic tool sets (hammers, wrenches, screwdrivers)
- Duct tape, zip ties, rope, and tarps
- Ladders and heavy gloves
- Wheelbarrow or wagon for transporting supplies

Security & Support

- Community watch schedule or check-in rotation
- No trespassing and security signage
- Shared defense plans (as legally allowed)
- Buddy system for vulnerable or solo residents

Tips & Hints:

Start with a neighborhood meeting to identify key needs, roles, and volunteers.

Maintain a rotating inventory list and test your plan during drills or weather events.

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