



# StormReady

## Community - Supporter

### What is StormReady?

StormReady helps arm America's communities with the communication and safety skills needed to save lives and property--before, during and after the event. StormReady helps community leaders and emergency managers strengthen local safety programs. No community is storm proof, but StormReady can help communities save lives.



Credit: Chris Kerr

### StormReady Benefits

- Opportunity to review and improve your hazardous weather plans
- You receive a certificate and formal recognition
- Gain confidence and public recognition
- You can qualify for rate reductions in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP), which includes the Community Rating System (CRS)





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### StormReady Eligibility Requirements

- Establish a 24-hour warning point and emergency operations center
- Have more than one way to receive weather warnings/ forecasts and to alert the public
- Promote the importance of public readiness through community programs
- Develop a formal hazardous weather plan encompassing all components of the operation

**NWS StormReady® Program**  
Working Toward a Weather-Ready Nation

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Being part of a **Weather-Ready Nation** is about preparing for your community's increasing vulnerability to extreme weather and water events. Americans live in the most severe weather-prone country on Earth. You can make sure your community is StormReady®. Some 88 percent of all Presidential declared disasters are weather related, leading to around 500 deaths per year and nearly \$15 billion in damage. The StormReady program helps arm America's communities with the communication and safety skills needed to save lives and property—before, during and after the event. StormReady helps community leaders and emergency managers strengthen local safety programs.

StormReady communities, counties, Indian nations, universities and colleges, military bases, government sites, commercial enterprises and other groups are better prepared to save lives from the onslaught of severe weather through advanced planning, education and awareness. No community is storm proof, but StormReady can help communities save lives.

StormReady uses a grassroots approach to help communities develop plans to handle all types of extreme weather—from tornadoes to winter storms. The program encourages communities to take a new, proactive approach to improving local hazardous weather operations by providing emergency managers with clear-out guidelines on how to improve their hazardous weather operations. Applying is easy. To be officially StormReady, a community must:

### How to Become StormReady

- Contact your local NWS office. Connect with your local Warning Coordination Meteorologist (WCM) to discuss the application and approval process
- Complete the application form. More information can be found at [www.weather.gov/StormReady](http://www.weather.gov/StormReady).
- Arrange a verification visit with your NWS office to review your hazardous weather plan and ensure you meet StormReady Guidelines
- Receive StormReady recognition

