

# COORDINATOR TIPS

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## SOURCES:

*Are You Ready:* Citizens Guide- FEMA  
Hazard Fact Sheets: All Hazards Caucus  
National Weather Service

## Flooding



*A flood is an increased amount of water; streets, basins, rivers, lakes, ponds, creeks, and even basements can flood. Floods are the most frequent disaster in the US and occur quite frequently. A Flash flood is a short lived increase in water, such as a stream overflowing and than receding.*

### Facts

- 2 Feet of water can move a large vehicle
- 66% of flood related deaths occur in vehicles
- Floods are not limited to one area, entire regions are effected
- It is important to avoid building in flood plains

### WHAT TO DO

- Tune into and listen to NOAA Weather radio
- Know where near your house flooding is likely
- Be ready to relocate or take shelter if need be
- Shut off electrical appliances

### For more information:

<http://www.fema.gov/about/programs/nfip/index.shtm>

<http://www.floodsmart.gov/floodsmart/pages/faqs.jsp>

<http://www.fema.gov/areyouready/flood.shtm>

<http://www.hazardscaucus.org/FloodFactsheet0909.pdf>