



ACL Emergency Preparedness Listening Tour

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The Administration on Community Living (ACL) is hosting a listening session in Baton Rouge on November 19th to hear from people with disabilities and their family members on how they prepare for and recover from natural disasters. ACL wants to learn how they can better address the needs of people with disabilities and their families in natural disasters and how ACL can support emergency preparedness. People with disabilities and their families are invited to attend and share their experiences with this federal agency. Topics of discussion that ACL is most interested in learning from you include:

1. What do you do to prepare for disasters? Is there anyone that helps you to prepare?
2. What do you find most difficult about preparing for a disaster?
3. If you ever had to evacuate your home due to a disaster, where did you go, who went with you, and how did you get there?
4. If you went to a shelter, what worked well for you at the shelter and what did not? For instance, did you have access to the medical equipment and medications you need? If not, was there someone you felt comfortable talking to at the shelter about your needs or was there someone with you that could share your concerns with shelter staff?
5. If you did not stay at a shelter, what were the problems you encountered during the disaster?
6. Did you have any other immediate needs following the disaster? If so, were there any barriers to you getting the support you needed?
7. What lingering problems do you have as a result of the most recent disaster you survived?
8. As a result of your most recent emergency/disaster experiences, has there been any changes in your preparedness planning? Do you have access to the information and resources you need to better prepare?
9. Is there a person, process or system that needs to be changed to better assist in your emergency planning and preparedness?

The session will be held on **November 19th from 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.** at the American Red Cross Building, 4655 Sherwood Commons Blvd. in Baton Rouge.

Click [here](#) to view the ACL Save-the-Date flyer for this event.

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