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## **September is National Preparedness Month**

(Woodland, CA) – September is National Preparedness Month, and during the month, the Yolo County Office of Emergency Services is encouraging residents to take steps to prepare themselves and loved ones for an emergency.

"Preparedness is particularly important during the wildfire and winter storm seasons," said Yolo County Office of Emergency Services Coordinator Dana Carey. "California is prone to many disasters, so all residents should have a disaster plan."

Preparedness measures include:

- Making a plan
- Preparing your home
- Building an emergency kit
- Creating a go-bag

Preparedness tips and resources can be found on the Yolo County Office of Emergency Services website: <a href="https://www.yolocounty.org/government/office-of-emergency-services/emergency-preparedness-resources">www.yolocounty.org/government/office-of-emergency-services/emergency-preparedness-resources</a>. Additional information on National Preparedness Month can be found at <a href="https://www.ready.gov/september">www.ready.gov/september</a>.

To kick off National Preparedness Month, the California Office of Emergency Services will host the 12th Annual California Day of Preparedness event in historic Old Sacramento this Saturday, August 26, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Visitors will learn about emergency preparedness as well as experience a variety of disaster readiness demonstrations including a mobile earthquake simulator, water rescues and search and rescue dogs in action. There will be music and food as well. Link here to view the Facebook event page: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/events/1882618128644274/">www.facebook.com/events/1882618128644274/</a>.