

2026 MISSION READY

PREPARING OUR FAMILIES FOR ANYTHING



NEW YEAR, NEW PREPAREDNESS GOALS

The start of a new year is an ideal time to pause, reset, and strengthen your personal and family readiness. When families are prepared, Servicemembers can remain focused on the mission—directly supporting unit effectiveness and overall operational readiness.

Preparedness doesn't have to be overwhelming. Small, intentional updates now can prevent unnecessary stress later. This month's focus is on three essential readiness goals that help ensure your information is accurate, accessible, and ready when it matters most.

First, take time to create or update your personal and family emergency plan. Make sure contact information is current, roles are clearly defined, and everyone in the household understands what to do in different emergency situations.

Create/update your Personal/Family **Emergency Plan**
(include contacts, evacuation routes, meeting points)

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Next, review and update your administrative records. Confirm ID cards are valid, insurance information is current, and DEERS enrollment accurately reflects your family's status. These updates are critical to avoiding delays in care, pay, or support services.

Update ID cards, insurance, and DEERS enrollment

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Finally, complete the Rapid Response Administrative Record—our annual update of important personal and family information. This record ensures leadership can quickly and effectively support you and your family during emergencies or deployments. This record also allows you to assess your level of readiness, request resources, and access services.

Complete the **Rapid Response** Administrative Record

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In addition, The Adjutant General (TAG) has set a caring and achievable preparedness goal for all members: maintaining at least one week of food and water for emergencies. To make this goal manageable for every family, TAG has introduced a 52-week plan that breaks preparedness into small, weekly tasks. This approach allows you to gradually build your emergency supply over time—without the burden of a large upfront cost.

Starting the year with strong preparedness habits builds confidence, resilience, and peace of mind for you and your loved ones. Every small step you take today helps ensure your family—and our force—is ready for whatever tomorrow brings.



PURCHASE 2-3 GALLON JUGS OF COMERCALLY BOTTLED WATER EACH WEEK THIS MONTH.