

SANITATION in a DISASTER



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Have you ever wondered what to do after a disaster with human waste?

Human waste is one of the deadliest substances on earth. Where sanitation is poor, death and disease are rampant. Our current systems for disposing of waste can be affected by many situations. If we lose water, we lose sewer. If we lose power for an extended time, we also lose sewer. In an earthquake or landslide, sewer lines can rupture. In each of these scenarios, our instincts might be to use a camp potty, an RV or even dig a pit latrine. These solutions are very dangerous if we don't know how to properly set up and dispose of the waste. They will bring animals, vermin and insects into our environment that spread disease. Exposure to human waste will make your family very sick.

This class will educate you on all aspects of sanitation. You'll learn how to set up a sanitary temporary bathroom as well as how to prevent hydrogen sulfide from entering your home. We'll also discuss the significance of pesticides and cleansers.

This class is relevant to families, first responders, neighborhoods and communities. Sanitation in a Disaster promises to be eye-opening to even the most seasoned of emergency preparedness individuals.

Sanitation Training: May 15, 2019

Location: Council Chambers at Layton City Center 437 North Wasatch Drive

Time: 6:30-8:00 PM



Come and learn the essentials to prepare For sanitation after a disaster