

# Handbook for Emergency Preparedness

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# Aloha,

We thank you for taking the time and necessary steps to familiarize yourself with emergency situations and how best to prepare for them. Individual preparedness is a critical part of how well communities can weather a disaster together. Intense storm events, high tides and flooding are occurring more frequently, and every community is vulnerable.

At Hawaiian Electric, we work hard to provide you with safe and reliable electric service. But in emergency cases, power outages can occur, and we want you to be prepared. We also want you to understand why they occur and how to minimize the inconveniences and dangers they cause.

This booklet was created to prepare you and your family for an emergency, though much of the advice can and should be used at all times. This edition has also been expanded to include information on wildfire safety and prevention as climate change brings warmer, drier conditions and the spread of non-native grasses and shrubs.

Please take the time to read this emergency preparedness guide and review it often. We hope it will help you take action in preparing for an emergency and staying safe.

Mahalo,

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