

Weathering the Storm: Improving Emergency Resource Accessibility



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Rationale

- Climate change increases the risk and severity of tornadoes
- Vulnerable populations are at a higher risk due to lack of stable shelters or emergency planning
- The goal is to provide accessible emergency communication to Camrose's vulnerable populations and encourage preparedness, allowing citizens to better adapt to extreme weather events
- Project was developed using Camrose's CVRA with guidance from community groups that focus on assisting and communicating with Camrose's citizens



Emergency Kit

- Currently, there are limited emergency preparation guides in Camrose: video to be posted on city website
- Video lists emergency kit essentials, including lesser known items such as personal documents
- Viewing accessibility measures include:
 - Images
 - Large fonts
 - Grade 6 reading level
 - Closed captions



During an emergency situation,

Shelter Map

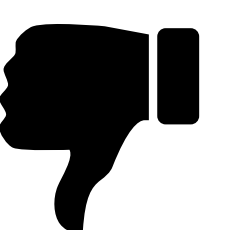
- Camrose's vulnerable populations rely on paper copies or word of mouth for communications
- Spreading information through interagency groups, such as Neighbor Aid, is most effective
- Information will be conveyed through a Google Map showing ideal shelter locations

What makes a good shelter?

- Basement or ground level
- No high roof/tall ceiling
- Avoid windows/lots of glass
- Wheelchair accessible



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