



# City of Mercer Island, Washington

## *Proclamation*

**WHEREAS**, emergencies, both natural and manmade, can occur on Mercer Island and throughout the Puget Sound at any time.

Mercer Island joins communities across the country in fostering a culture of preparedness. This September, for National Preparedness Month, the City encourages all Islanders to:

- **Assess your Unique Needs** which includes needs that are specific to you and your family like medical, access, mobility, and transportation needs.
- **Understand the Hazards** specific to Mercer Island and the Puget Sound.
- **Create a Plan** that includes a household communications plan, alternative shelter options, evacuation routes, and accommodations for special or unique needs.
- **Sign up for Emergency Alerts** to receive urgent messages and updates from the City of Mercer Island and King County.
- **Gather Supplies** that will last for 7-14 days after a disaster.
- **Practice your Plan** with your family.

To help the community prepare for emergencies of all kinds, the City provides training and volunteer opportunities including Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training, Map Your Neighborhood, emergency preparedness presentations, and more.

Islanders can learn more about emergency preparedness training opportunities at [www.mercerisland.gov/emergencyprep](http://www.mercerisland.gov/emergencyprep).

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Salim Nice, Mayor of the City of Mercer Island, do hereby proclaim September 2025 as

## **NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS MONTH**

and encourage all Mercer Island residents and businesses to commit to being prepared for 7- to 14-days following a disaster.

**APPROVED**, this 2nd day of September 2025

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Salim Nice, Mayor

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