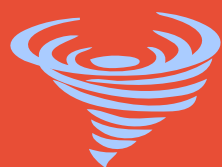


NEIGHBORS HELPING NEIGHBORS



Responding to Extreme Weather Events

One of the most visible impacts of **climate change** is **more intense and frequent extreme weather events**

WHY CONNECT WITH NEIGHBORS?

46% percent of individuals expect to rely a great deal on people in their neighborhood for assistance within the first 72 hours after a disaster.

53% of people receive information for emergency preparedness through conversations with neighbors, friends, or family.



NEIGHBORS CAN HELP BEFORE, DURING, AND AFTER

Know beforehand which members of the community may need help during an emergency.

Create a community network to share news about emergencies in your area.

After a disaster, make sure your neighbors are safe.

HOW TO CONNECT YOUR COMMUNITY

Develop a community emergency network through email and/or text.



Determine how large your network should be to efficiently handle emergency situations (a block, street or collection of blocks, etc.).



Plan in-person or remote meetings to discuss plans for extreme weather emergencies.



Pick neighborhood leaders to guide emergent weather task forces.



CREATE A PHONE TREE

Using the phone tree system can spread a brief message quickly and efficiently to a large number of people.

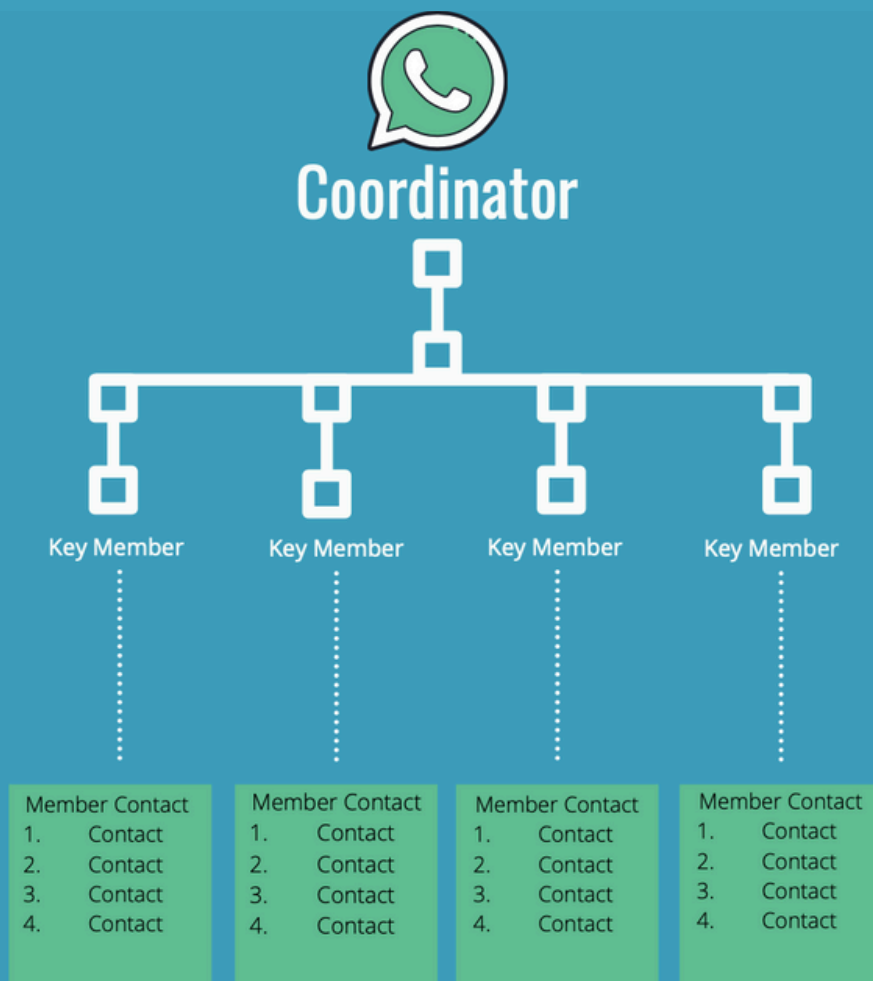


Make an organization chart for your phone tree (see below).

A coordinator will call key group members who each have a set list of neighbors to inform.

Make sure key group members are reliable to call others.

Have multiple ways to call community members.



For more information visit: www.climatecrew.org

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