You spend a lot of hours at your place of employment. But are you prepared for when something goes wrong? If there was a disaster, would you have the resources available to survive and get home, where the bulk of your emergency preparedness should already be created? Business owners: If your employees were trapped at your building for an extended period of time, do they have the resources available to get home to their families?

It is important for employers to utilize a disaster plan or program, and for employees to tailor that plan to their individual needs through the contents of readiness kits. This emergency plan template (link “emergency plan template” to emrgact.pdf) is a solid starting point in developing your organization's own plan.

And, of course, once the plans have been written, and the resources created, communication with all aspects of the business/organization and practicing drills regularly could be the difference in loss of life during an emergency situation.

Resources

* [Business Pandemic Influenza Planning Checklist](https://www.cdc.gov/flu/pandemic-resources/pdf/businesschecklist.pdf)
* [FEMA Emergency Management Guide for Business and Industry](https://www.fema.gov/pdf/business/guide/bizindst.pdf)
* [How to Plan for Workplace Emergencies and Evacuations](https://www.osha.gov/sites/default/files/publications/osha3088.pdf)
* [Preparedness Planning for your Business](https://www.ready.gov/business)