



A Recipe for Disaster Launch of Emergency Preparedness Week

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VICTORIA, BC — Many people think an emergency will never happen to them, but emergencies can happen anytime, anywhere. Victoria gets its share of weather events such as windstorms and snow, which can disrupt power or make transportation difficult. We're also due for a major earthquake and need to be prepared for at least three days with no assistance.

Learn what goes into being prepared for an emergency and put faces to those who will lead and inform Victoria during a disaster. Join us for a potluck of sorts and see what you will be eating **if** you're prepared when a community disaster strikes.

Media is invited to *A Recipe for Disaster*, the City of Victoria's launch of Emergency Preparedness Week, May 3 – 9, 2009.

What: A Recipe for Disaster – Launch of Emergency Preparedness Week
When: Monday, May 4, 2009 at 11 a.m.
Where: City Hall Antechamber

The Victoria Emergency Management Agency (VEMA) is Victoria's resource for helping our community prepare for an emergency. Responsible for training City staff and coordinating an emergency response in the event of a disaster, VEMA also educates and empowers Victoria citizens on how to be "emergency prepared."

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