

Suggestions for Preparing for a Public Safety Power Shutoff (PSPS)

During a PSPS event, all customers serviced by an affected power line will have their power shut off. A PSPS is a planned event and there will be no emergency sheltering available. It is important to plan today for a PSPS.

What You Can Do To Prepare

- It is recommended to keep five (5) days' worth of water and nonperishable food on hand for each member of your family, including pets. Consider one gallon of water per person per day.
- Have frozen gallons of water on hand to help keep food items and medicine cold.
- Work with your medical equipment supplier to proactively plan ahead for a PSPS.
- Have cash (small bills) and coins on hand in case bank cards or ATM's are not functioning.
- Keep your vehicle fueled with at least ½ a tank of gas.
- Make sure that your emergency contacts are up to date and keep a printed copy with you.
- Keep flashlights and extra batteries in easily accessible places in your home and vehicle.
- Make sure PG&E has your current contact information so you will be notified of a PSPS.
- If you have electricity dependent medical equipment, sign up for PG&E's Medical Baseline program to receive prioritized notification. (See the link below for more details)
- Keep a First Aid kit stocked and readily accessible.
- If you plan to leave your home bring empty prescription bottles with you to get refills.
- Know how to manually open your garage door if the power is shutoff.

Other Resources for Planning Ahead

- PG&E's Medical Baseline Program
 - https://www.pge.com/en_US/residential/save-energy-money/help-paying-your-bill/longer-term-assistance/medical-condition-related/medical-baseline-allowance/medical-baseline-allowance.page
- PG&E PSPS Information Portal
 - https://www.pge.com/en_US/safety/emergency-preparedness/natural-disaster/wildfires/outage-readiness.page
- PSPS Information
 - <http://www.lakecountyca.gov/Residents/Emergencies/PSPS.htm>
 - <https://prepareforpowerdown.com/>