

What do we do if the shit hits the fan? A discussion held May 14, 2022.

We divided up into 3 groups based on where people lived. It may not be possible to get people together in case of a disaster because of the distances involved. But people can use bicycles to get around. Also storing gasoline can be helpful. There is a preservative you can use so the gasoline will last for a year. One member has 12 gasoline cans and rotates their use.

Here are some of the ideas presented:

1. Have 3 months of cash on hand.
2. Have items you can use for barter.
3. Have 4-6 weeks of food.
 - (a) Can food.
 - (b) Ferment.
 - (c) Dehydrate.
 - (d) Have a backup water supply
 - (e) Grow your own food.
4. Have a gun for protection.
 - (a) Also, a dog can be helpful.
5. Select a day, time, and location ahead of time of where people can go to meet during a disaster.
 - (a) Have a bug out place.
 - (b) Form committees based on where people live.
6. Communication.
 - (a) Ham Radio.
 - (b) Satellite Phone.
7. Backup source of electricity.
 - (a) If you are concerned about a freezer full of food, a solar generator can be valuable during rolling blackouts. Even if there is no sun, these generators can be plugged into a regular electrical outlet and charged up when the electrical grid is up, and they can then supply power when the grid is down. It is a good idea to use a surge protector when plugging the generator into an outlet.
8. Have a wood burning stove if at all possible.
9. Also check out George Ure's website: <https://urbansurvival.com/>

If I missed something, let me know and I will update the list.

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