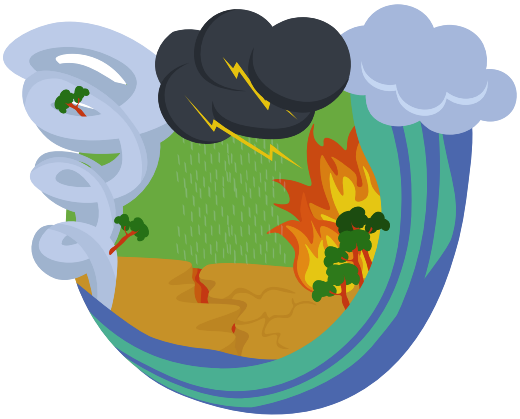
Types of Disasters That Happen in PA

It is important to know about the types of disasters that could happen around you. Sometimes disasters can cause a threat to your safety. One way to keep yourself safe is to be prepared for disasters. This resource will help you understand what types of threats can happen and where to get more information about how to be prepared.

Natural Catastrophes:

- Fire
- Winter weather
- Thunder and lightning
- Extreme heat
- Tropical storm
- Tornado
- Influenza and pandemic
- Severe wind
- Earthquake
- Landslide
- Drought
- Power outage
- Flood
- Dam and water threats



Human-Caused Events:

- Hazardous material incident (Hazmat)
- Active shooter
- Nuclear threat
- Terrorism

Learn more!

This collection of social stories explains how to be prepared for threats that can happen during disasters and what to do if you experience one:
https://aidinpa.org/resource/natural-catastrophe-social-stories/

This page from Ready PA provides information about types of disasters, how to be prepared, and what to do if you are faced with one of these emergencies:
https://www.pa.gov/agencies/ready/stay-informed

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