

Storm Preparedness Tips

Recommendations from the City of Burlingame and the San Mateo County Office of Emergency Services

Is your home storm ready?

- ✓ Consider flood insurance if you are in a high-risk flood area.
- ✓ Prepare an Emergency Kit for disasters, visit www.ready.gov
- ✓ Discuss emergency plans with your family.
- ✓ Keep sandbags handy for waterproofing. Check out the sandbag station at 600 California Drive.
- ✓ Check your roof drains and downspouts to make sure they are clear of debris.
- ✓ Prevent storm drain blockages by clearing leaves from drains.

Do you live next to a creek? Follow these tips to be good creekside steward:

1. Remove all debris and foreign objects (e.g. fallen trees, bottles and cans, fallen fences, etc.).
2. Remove vegetation except low ground cover from the creek banks. Do not clear-cut the creek slopes.
3. Remove any tree limbs which have fallen or hang within 2' of the top of the bank.
4. For additional information, download the "Caring for Our Creeks" manual or contact Public Works at 650-558-7230.



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PUBLIC WORKS CORPORATION YARD
650-558-7670

POLICE DEPARTMENT
(NON-EMERGENCY NUMBER)
650-777-4100

IF YOU SMELL NATURAL GAS, SEE DOWNED POWER LINES, OR SUSPECT ANOTHER EMERGENCY SITUATION, LEAVE THE AREA IMMEDIATELY AND CALL 9-1-1. THEN, CALL PG&E AT 1-800-743-5000.



Adopt a Drain

Calling all environmental stewards! Help keep our creeks and the bay cleaner by adopting a storm drain.

Adopting a drain protects water quality. That's because debris such as leaves, cigarette butts, and litter accumulate on top and inside storm drains throughout the year. When it rains, the water and debris will wash into local creeks which pollute the San Francisco Bay. By adopting a drain, you can help keep our waterways cleaner and prevent localized flooding.

How Can I Participate?



1) Find an available storm drain to adopt by using our Adopt a Drain map at www.burlingame.org/adoptadrain



2) Fill out the registration form on the Adopt a Drain webpage



3) Receive a confirmation email which includes safety guidelines and cleaning tips.



4) Keep your adopted drain clean by sweeping leaves and/or picking up litter on top of the grate. Do not lift or remove the drain grate.

Did You Know?

Storm drains connect to our local creeks and the San Francisco Bay. Pollutants can enter our creeks through storm drains and cause water pollution.



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