## Kent County, Maryland



## Proclamation

## KENT COUNTY PREPAREDNESS MONTH "START A CONVERSATION"

## SEPTEMBER 2024

WHEREAS, National Preparedness Month, has occurred annually in September since September 11, 2001, and

is also recognized as Maryland Preparedness Month; and

WHEREAS, "Start a Conversation" serves as a reminder that we must take action to plan and prepare now, and

throughout the year, for the types of emergencies that could affect us where we live, work, and

where we visit; and

WHEREAS, Starting a conversation today can help you and your family to take more actions to prepare, you

build your preparedness at your own pace: Talk about steps you've taken to prepare and

encourage others to ask questions about preparedness actions that might work for everyone; and

WHEREAS, The Kent County Office of Emergency Services encourages the residents, visitors, and businesses

to plan and prepare for all hazards before they happen. This month serves as a timely reminder that emergencies can happen anywhere and anytime, without advance notice. The time to prepare

is before a disaster happens; and

WHEREAS, All residents of Kent County, Maryland are urged to plan ahead for disasters by participating in

neighborhood preparedness activities, registering their contact information in the Everbridge mass notification system, and visiting the County's preparedness campaign on social media

outlets.

NOW, THEREFORE, WE, THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF KENT COUNTY, MARYLAND, do hereby support the Nation and State in proclaiming September 2024 as Kent County Preparedness Month, and call on all government agencies, private organizations, businesses, and the people of Kent County to develop their own emergency preparedness plan, and work together toward creating a stronger, more resilient community.

THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF KENT COUNTY, MARYLAND

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