

# Preparation Is Power:

## PG&E Public Safety Power Shutoff (PSPS)

### What is PSPS?

Public Safety Power Shutoffs (PSPS) occur in response to severe weather conditions. During a PSPS power is turned off by PG&E to help prevent wildfires and keep communities safe—these are planned events.

June marks the beginning of wildfire season and can run through late October or November or November in Northern California.

A power shutoff may:

- Cause food spoilage and contamination of water
- Prevent the use of medical devices
- Disrupt operations and delivery of services at Alameda County Social Services Agency's (SSA) offices.

### PG&E's Role:



**Forecasts** for severe weather conditions before power shut off.



**Notifications** informing customers of potential power shut off to prevent prevent wildfires.



**Updates** of power restoration.

### SSA's Role:

The SSA Office of Disaster Preparedness and Emergency Management (DPEM) (DPEM) monitors planned PG&E outages and coordinates needed mass care and shelter services with partners. Examples include supporting with emergency food and water distribution sites and family resource centers.

#### SSA

- Ensures older adults and individuals with disabilities are safe and have access to needed resources/medical devices during a power shutoff.
- Alerts managers immediately when outages occur in our facilities. Management will provide guidance if staff need to remain on standby or temporarily report to another site.

### Learn More At:



[Office of Disaster Preparedness and Emergency Management \(DPEM\), Quick Links](#)



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### Questions:

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