### Telephone Use in Emergencies

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#### 911

- Your telephone can be a life-saver
- You can use it to call for help and to receive calls and messages
- When there is an emergency, everyone in or near the emergency area should avoid using their phones for non-emergencies

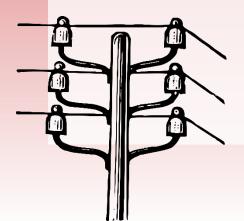






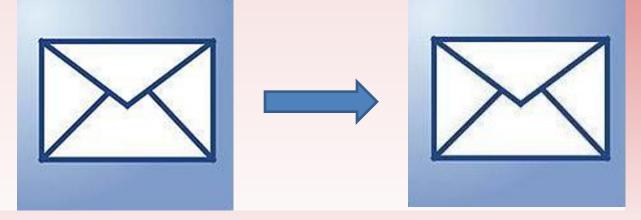
#### Be Prepared for Power Failure

- Purchase a portable radio in case there's a power failure
- Understand that "cordless" style phones that are plugged in into an electrical outlet will not work if there's a power failure
- You may want to purchase a backup battery /



## Find out if your city or county has an emergency system which will contact residents to alert them about an emergency

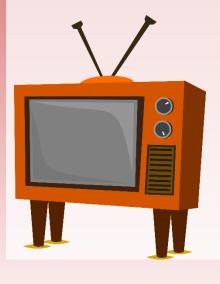
 Many of these systems can send text-based messages to communication devices such as TTY's, cell phones and personal digital assstants (PDAs).



#### **Updates During an Emergency**

Only call 9-1-1 once to state your emergency.
 Please do not call them for updates.

 Use your TV, radio, or talk to your neighbors to receive updates on the emergency



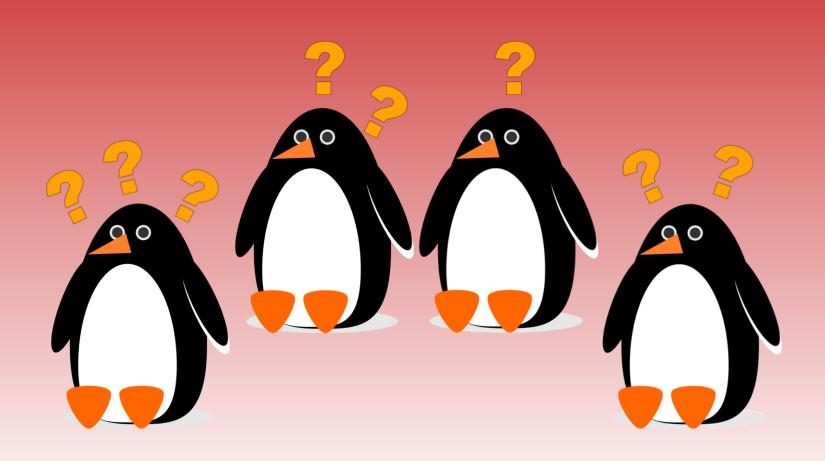




#### Remember!

- When you use your phone to check on loved ones, please keep the call short
- If your call won't go through, try text messaging on your cell phone

#### Questions?



# For any questions contact your local TEAM organization for assistance: (714)481-9600 Thank you!

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