Emergency Readiness Survey 2021

What disability do you most identify with?

- Deaf: 5%
- Mental Health Disability: 11%
- Chronic Health Condition: 25%
- Intellectual or Developmental: 25%
- Physical or Mobility: 30%

Which age group describes you?

- Under 60: 56%
- 60 or Over: 44%

Does your disability require you to use electricity-powered medical equipment or assistive technology on a daily basis?

- Yes: 55%
- No: 45%

What electricity-powered medical devices or technology do you require on a daily basis?

- C-Pap or Bi-Pap Machine: 40%
- Other Equipment: 38%
- Communication Device: 20%
- Power Wheelchair or Scooter: 19%
- Nebulizer: 17%

Is your disability affected by the temperature of your environment?

- Yes: 50%
- No: 50%

Does your disability require you to take medication that needs refrigeration?

- Yes: 24%
- No: 76%

Does your disability require you to have access to refrigerated foods?

- Yes: 38%
- No: 62%

Do you require the use of an elevator to access and leave your home?

- Yes: 91%
- No: 9%
Do you use any of the following types of transportation options?
- Driven by Others - 60%
- Drive Self - 47%
- Bus - 20%
- Uber/ Lyft - 18%
- Paratransit - 13%

Which best describes your current personal emergency preparedness level?
- Somewhat Prepared - 51%
- Not Prepared - 26%
- Prepared - 19%
- Not Sure - 5%

If you experienced a disaster or emergency, including an electricity company shutoff that lasted anywhere between 4 hours to 3 days, what resources would you immediately need that you do not currently have access to?
- A place to go if temporary housing is needed - 48%
- A portable backup battery - 44%
- A generator with gas or propane - 44%
- Go-Bag - 42%
- Emergency preparedness supplies to stay safely at home - 40%

*(that you can operate independently if backup power is needed)

Who is your electricity provider?
- Pacific Gas and Electric (PG&E) - 63%
- Southern California Edison (SCE) - 22%
- San Diego Gas and Electric (SDG&E) - 2%
- Other - 11%
- Not Sure - 3%

Are you enrolled in your utility company’s medical baseline or critical care program?
- No - 44%
- Yes - 41%
- Not Sure - 15%

Are you enrolled in your electricity company’s electricity outage alert notification system?
- Yes - 55%
- Not Sure - 25%
- No - 16%
- Don’t know how to enroll - 3%
- Other - 1%

Are you aware of the resources that your electricity company provides to people with disabilities and older adults to assist during electricity outages?
- No - 20%
- Yes - 29%
- Not Sure - 52%