

## National Emergency Contact Registry Urging flood victims to register in Washington State

*Next of Kin Registry Offers Resources to Improve Communication with Loved Ones*

**Jan. 9, 2009** - [PRLog](#) -- Washington D.C., – The Next of Kin Registry (NOKR) America’s central repository for Emergency Contact information is highly encouraging families and those with special needs to register their loved ones and friends who may be exposed to this potentially dangerous flooding. The NOKR started in Bellingham Washington in early 2004 and has now become the national standard for registering your emergency contact information. NOKR is listed on the Washington state website as a Police Program and also on the Washington State Patrol site. NOKR has become a usefully resource since 2004, here is a short list of disasters in which NOKR was implemented.

2004 Asian Tsunami

2005 Hurricane Disasters

2006 Indonesia Earthquake

2007 Virginia Tech College Shooting

2007 I-35 Bridge Collapse in Minneapolis, Minnesota

2008 Sichuan China Earthquake

2008 Iowa Flooding Disaster

2008 California Wildfire's

“We send our prayers out to those displaced and struck by this excessive flooding we will do everything we can to assist communication efforts,” says Mark Cerney, NOKR President and Founder. “We urge Americans nationwide to register themselves and their loved ones via the free service to enable an efficient location and contact of family and friends. The goal is to avoid a devastating aftermath and to resume normalcy as quickly as possible.”

NOKR also is encouraging victims of the current flooding disaster to register that you are safe with NOKR’s service partner, the American Red Cross Disaster Safe Site at: <https://disastersafe.redcross.org>.

About NOKR

The Next Of Kin Registry (NOKR) was established as a FREE tool for daily emergencies and national disasters. NOKR is your emergency contact system to help if you or your family member is missing, injured or deceased.

NOKR is a humanitarian non-profit 501(c)(3) dedicated to bridging rapid emergency contact information. NOKR was established in January 2004, for daily emergency situations. NOKR is now listed on more than 92% of all State websites, the American Red Cross, Homeland Security Disasterhelp.gov, USA.gov and other federal agencies, as a critical resource for daily emergencies. For more information please contact Mark Cerney at (202) 730-9764 or visit NOKR's website at [www.nokr.org](http://www.nokr.org)

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