



# VC Resilient Coastal Adaptation Project Useful Information for Coastal Residents

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## Be Prepared:

A flood event or tsunami can happen within minutes. The risk of a hazardous flood event is increasing due to the increased frequency and severity of both coastal storms and sea level rise. The best way to protect your home and belongings from flood damage is to purchase flood insurance. Standard homeowners' insurance does not cover flooding. Ventura County participates in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP), which allows you to purchase federally backed flood insurance for all structures, whether or not you are located within the floodplain. The County works diligently to maintain a high standard of flood prevention, resulting in an annual 10-25% insurance premium discount for residents in the unincorporated areas. Call your insurance agent today to purchase flood insurance or visit [FloodSmart.gov](http://FloodSmart.gov). Also visit [VCFloodInfo.com](http://VCFloodInfo.com) to learn about your property's flood risk.

## How to Stay Safe and Reduce Flood Damage

- Tune in to these radio stations for announcements by the National Weather Service:
- Develop a family emergency plan and build an emergency supply kit.
- Get to know your neighbors. Be prepared to check on elderly or disabled neighbors if there is time during an evacuation event and lend assistance as needed.
- Sign up for the VC Alert Emergency Notification System at [ReadyVenturaCounty.org](http://ReadyVenturaCounty.org)
- Consider flood-proofing your home. Visit [FloodSmart.gov](http://FloodSmart.gov) for information on how to protect your home, reduce potential damage, and save on insurance rates.
- Store your valuables and insurance papers upstairs in a waterproof container.
- Place temporary sandbags in strategic places around your property.
- Clear debris from gutters and downspouts, especially prior to storms.
- Plan and practice a flood/tsunami evacuation route. Visit [ReadyVenturaCounty.org](http://ReadyVenturaCounty.org) to get to know your tsunami evacuation routes and assembly points (also see map below).

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