At a Minimum:

Ready to respond - day or night

When disaster strikes, it may be difficult to think as rationally and as quickly as you would like. The more procedures you have in place, and the easier they are to remember and implement, the more effective and efficient will be your response.

We recommend that you keep these basic response supplies under the bed. That way, day or night, you'll know where to go to get the essentials.

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At A Minimum:

Keep a pair of sturdy shoes to protect your feet by each loved one's bed at all times

Critical under-the-bed items

- sturdy shoes - to protect your feet from broken glass
- work gloves, preferably leather - to protect your hands from broken glass
- hard hat - to protect you from falling objects like chimney bricks, and downed trees and branches
- flashlight & light sticks - essential for a nighttime response
- an OK / Help card, found either in the MYN (Map Your Neighborhood) handout available from your local office of Emergency Management, or one that you prepare yourself
- a few bandaids - to hang the OK / Help card in the window or on the front door