

# EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

## 2019 SURVEY CONSULTATION RESULTS



*Report based on aggregate data collected through the Rupert Talks  
online platform*

# EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report is a result of collaboration between the City's Emergency Response and Communications staff. The aim of the survey was to get a better understanding of how prepared Prince Rupert residents are in case of an emergency, and how we can better cater our emergency information sharing to improve community knowledge.

Respondent answers to questions about whether you have an emergency response plan, working smoke alarms, and other information is listed anonymously in the following report, and will be provided to Council and emergency personnel help to inform future policy development and outreach at the City and throughout the community.



This Report is based on aggregated data and responses collected through the City of Prince Rupert's Rupert Talks program during March—July of 2019.

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# SURVEY SUMMARY

## EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS SURVEY

### Response Highlights

**42 Responses**

**60%**

of respondents do not have an emergency preparedness kit in their homes.

**57%**

of respondents do not have a meeting place in case you are separated in an emergency

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of 30 respondents knew that the local emergency centre is the Civic Centre. 12 people skipped the question.

**Flashlights, first aid kits, and garbage bags**

were the most common items that can be found in resident's emergency kits (for those who have them).

**83%**

of respondents have a smoke detector on every floor.

**36%**

of respondents do not have a carbon monoxide detector in their homes.

**86%**

respondents have signed up for the City's Emergency Alert System—sign up today at [www.princerupert.ca/emergency](http://www.princerupert.ca/emergency).

**88%**

of respondents have one or more planned exits from their home in case of an emergency.

**Local maps, dust masks, and whistles**

are the least common items that can be found in resident's emergency kits.

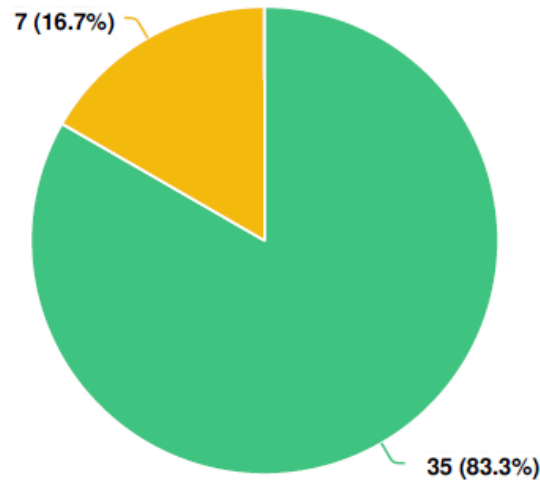
**73%**

of respondents own a fire extinguisher.

See following pages for full survey results

# Full Survey Results

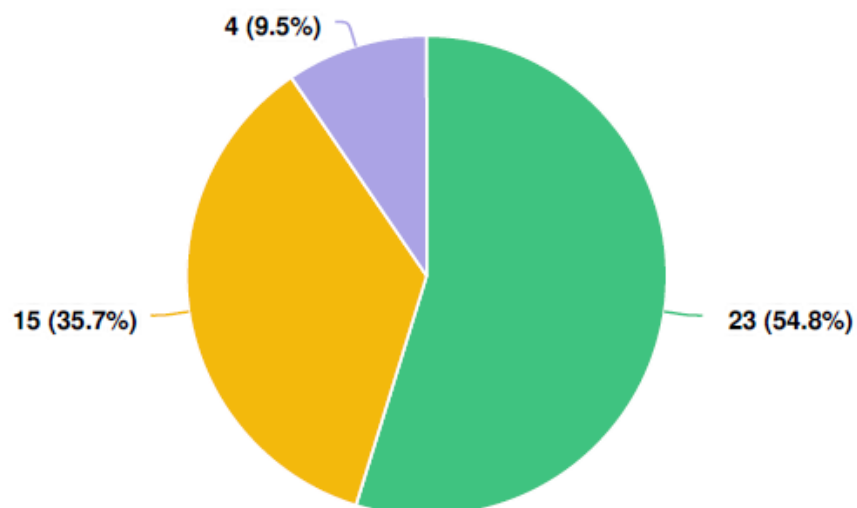
## 1. Do you have a working smoke detector in your home?



### Question options

● Yes - I have one on every floor    ● Yes - but I don't have one on every floor  
(42 responses, 0 skipped)

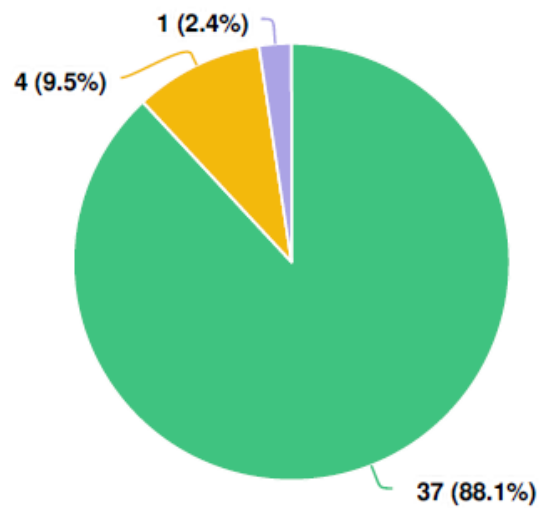
## 2. Do you have a carbon monoxide detector in your home?



### Question options

● Yes    ● No    ● I don't know  
(42 responses, 0 skipped)

### 3. Do you have one or more planned exits from your home in case of a fire?

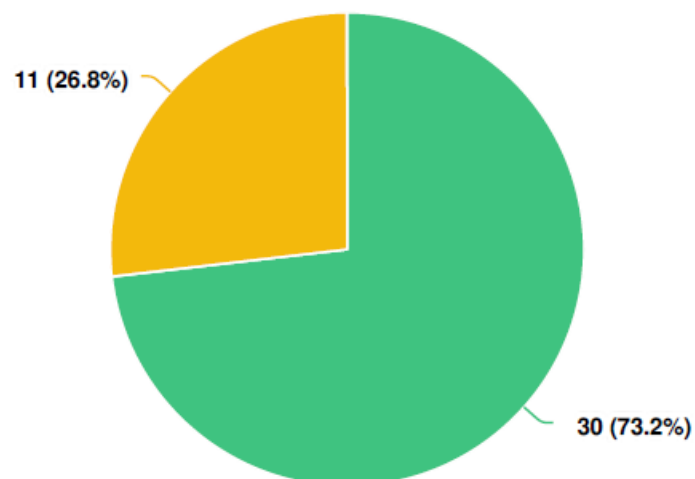


#### Question options

☒ Yes ☐ Yes - but there is only one exit from my home ☐ No

(42 responses, 0 skipped)

### 4. Do you have a fire extinguisher?

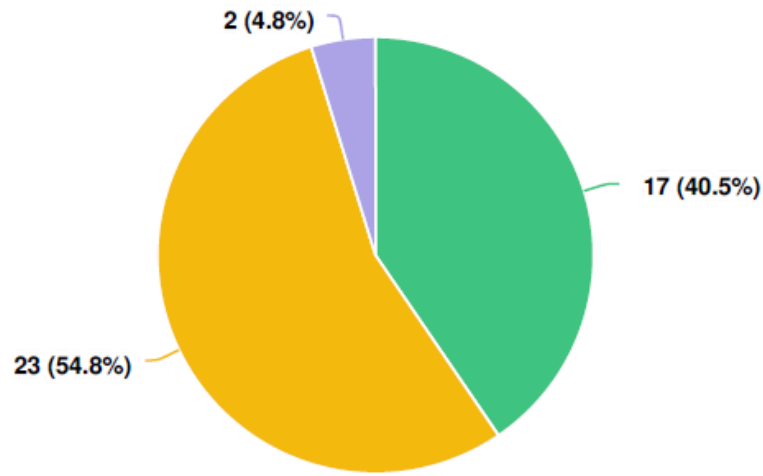


#### Question options

☒ Yes ☐ No

Optional question (41 responses, 1 skipped)

## 5. Do you have a fire safety plan, including exit routes, muster points (meeting places), fire extinguisher locations, etc?

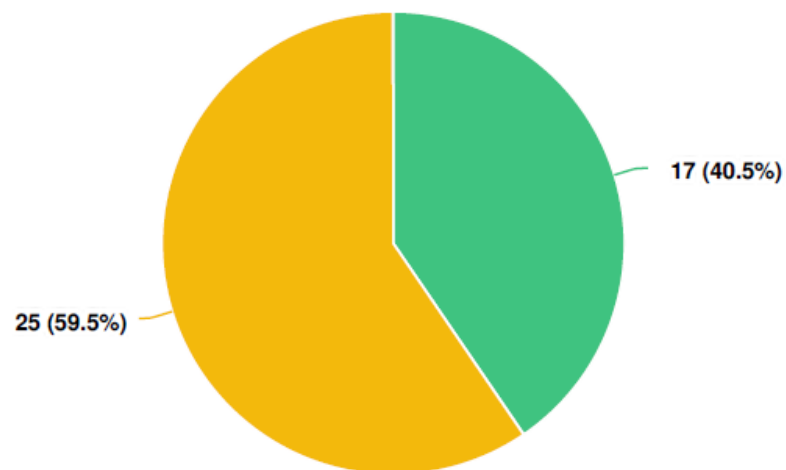


### Question options

Yes No I don't know

Optional question (42 responses, 0 skipped)

## 6. Do you have an emergency preparedness kit?

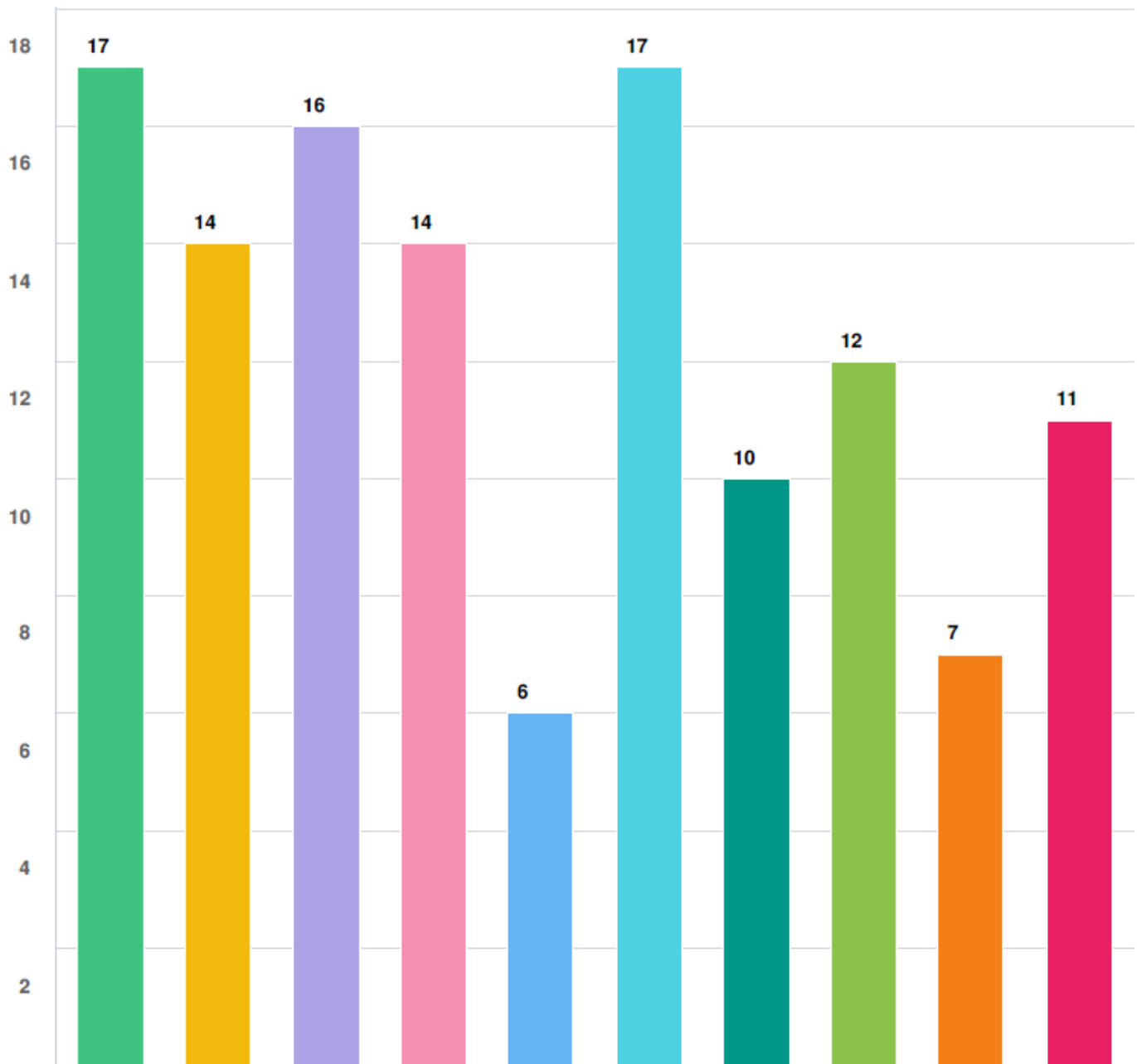


### Question options

Yes No

(42 responses, 0 skipped)

## 7. Check the items you have in your emergency kit (for those who answered that they have one).

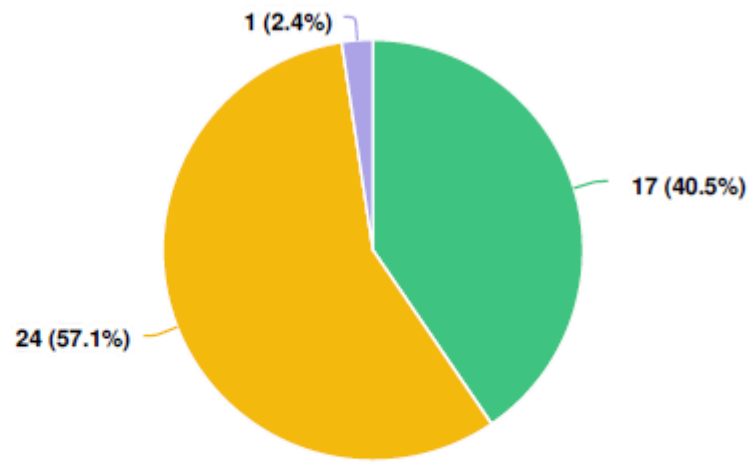


### Question options

- Battery-powered or hand crank flashlight with extra batteries
- Water, four litres per person per day for at least three days, for drinking and sanitation
- Garbage bags, moist towelettes and plastic ties for personal sanitation
- At least a three-day supply of nonperishable food. Manual can opener for cans
- Local maps (identify a family meeting place) and some cash in small bills
- First Aid kit and medications
- Whistle to signal for help
- Cell phone with chargers, inverter or solar charger
- Dust mask to help filter contaminated air
- Seasonal clothing and footwear

(17 responses, 25 skipped)

8. Have you selected a meeting place for your family in case you are separated in an emergency? (Suggested to choose an area on high ground—ie. not the waterfront)

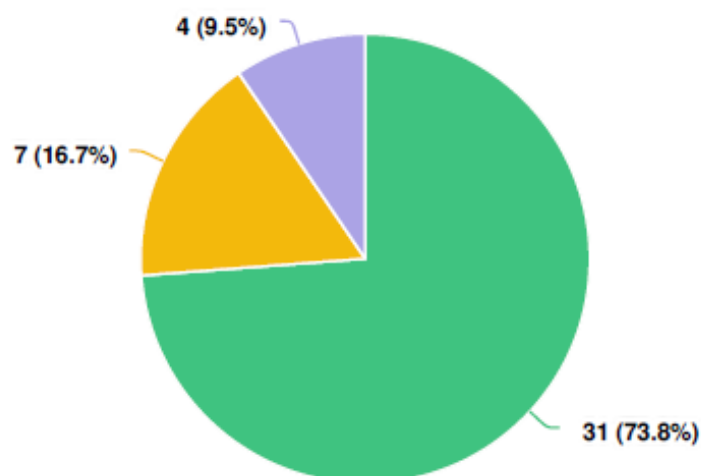


**Question options**

Yes No I don't know

(42 responses, 0 skipped)

9. Do you feel you have a good understanding of where to go in case of a tsunami evacuation notice? (ie. where high ground is located in the community?)

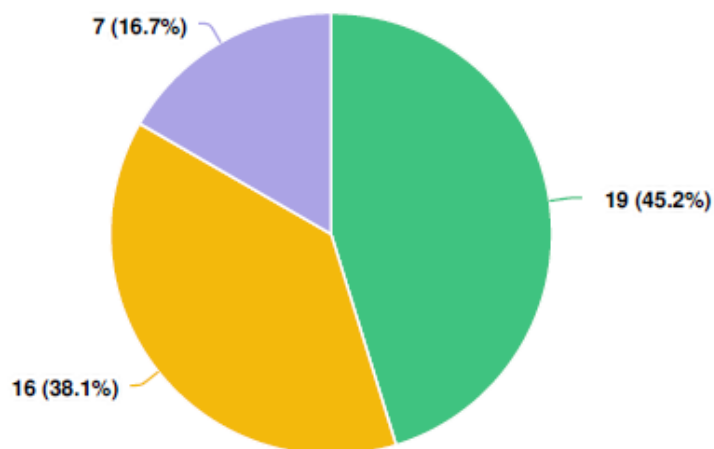


**Question options**

Yes No I don't know

(42 responses, 0 skipped)

## 10. Did you receive the City's tsunami preparedness brochure? (Mailed out in Spring of 2018)

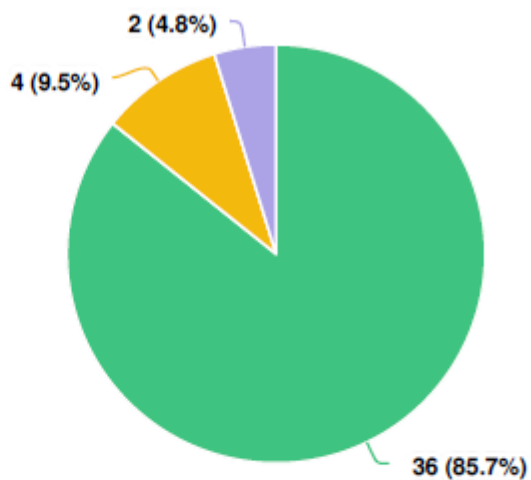


### Question options

Yes No I don't know

Optional question (42 responses, 0 skipped)

## 11. Have you signed up for the City's Emergency Alert System?



### Question options

Yes No I haven't heard of it

Optional question (42 responses, 0 skipped)

# Thank you to everyone who participated in the Emergency Preparedness survey.

*Information was collected, as per Section 26(c) of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act for the purpose of better informing the City's Emergency Response planning and community outreach.*

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