When it does... are your recovery plans a little fuzzy around the edges?

**FOCUS:** Disaster Awareness Workshops

**Life Happens**

Why is this important?
Because collections are held in the public trust for future generations.

We polled Iowa Collection Stewards about their Disaster Preparedness....

**Survey Said:**

- 24% do not have a collection inventory
- 50% do not have an Emergency Response Plan
- 55% of those who DO have an Emergency Plan could not access it in the event of an emergency
- 56% are not aware of disaster recovery resources in Iowa

Whatever can go wrong
Will go wrong...

And at the worst possible time!

-Murphy’s law

Murphy was an optimist

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Fire, Water, Storm

Museum and library collections are held in public trust. Good stewardship means that each institution should do their best to provide safe and appropriate collections storage, and develop an emergency plan to protect the collection in the event of water, wind, pests, and other hazards.


Fire, water, storms and pests present a danger to your collection. Learn how to respond to daily and emergency hazards to safeguard your collection.

Bats fly in. Mice burrow in. Insects crawl in.

How do you begin to plan for the wide range of disasters that might or might not strike? Who might be involved in the planning? Are there tools available to help with planning? Can an all-volunteer organization participate?

You are invited to take a first step toward emergency response preparedness.

The Iowa Conservation & Preservation Consortium, State Historical Society of Iowa, Iowa Museum Association, and State Library of Iowa are working together to bring disaster awareness workshops to locations across Iowa in 2011.

Topics to be included:
- What could happen?
- How to prepare for any emergency
- What supplies are needed?
- Who might be involved in planning?
- What could happen?
- What resources are available in Iowa?
- What are the first steps toward recovery?
- How to identify priorities
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