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Boone Encourages Citizens to Resolve to Be Ready in 2012

BURLINGTON, KENTUCKY (December 27, 2011) – The New Year is a perfect time to *Resolve to be Ready* and Boone County Emergency Management is proud to be promoting emergency preparedness for 2012.

To help the community become better prepared, Boone County Emergency Management is promoting the Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) *Resolve to be Ready* Campaign - a nationwide effort to increase awareness and encourage individuals, families, businesses and communities to take action and prepare for emergencies in the New Year.

The *Resolve to be Ready* Campaign encourages citizens to make an emergency preparedness resolution to take three important steps:

- **Make an emergency plan** – Be Informed: Know the hazards and risks in your area and how you would react; know how you would communicate with and find your loved ones if a disaster hit.
- **Build an emergency supply kit** – both at home and in the car – that includes water, food and first aid supplies to help you survive if you lose power or get stranded in your car.
- **Get Involved** – Find out how you can promote preparedness in your community.

Emergencies can range from inconvenience to devastation, but you can resolve not to be a victim of an emergency or disaster and take steps to minimize the impact on you, your family and your businesses.

More information is available at the Ready.gov website which includes free information, checklists and guidelines about how to develop a family emergency plan, build an emergency kit, and get involved. You can also call 1-800-BEReady (TTY 1-800-462-7585).

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