Emergency Preparedness Demonstration (EPD)

1. **Step One: Site Selection**
   a. Recently experienced a disaster
   b. Large numbers of at risk people
   c. Key people willing to help
   d. Supportive community-based organizations
   e. Supportive local Office of Emergency Management

2. **Step Two: Community Connections**
   a. Clarify the purposes, roles, and responsibilities
   b. Discuss availability of resources
   c. Set community meeting schedule
   d. Identify neutral meeting locations
   e. Decide who should be invited to participate

3. **Step Three: Community Orientation**
   a. Introduce the community to the project
   b. Recruit volunteers for a community team to:
      i. Conduct the Community Assessment
      ii. Map vulnerable areas of the community
      iii. Develop the plan
      iv. Implement the plan

4. **Step Four: Community Assessment**
   a. Assess existing plans
   b. Survey community needs
   c. Conduct focus groups
   d. Complete a vulnerability assessment - Mapping important features:
      i. Hazards
      ii. Areas of greatest risk
      iii. People and property that are at risk
      iv. People with special needs
      v. Major employers and critical facilities (hospitals, schools, shelters)
      vi. Environmental threats
   e. Community feedback

5. **Step Five: Plan Development**
   a. Vision statement
   b. Goals and objectives
   c. Community review
   d. Final plan
   e. Accountability
   f. Sustainability

6. **Step Six: Plan Implementation**
   a. Fund raising
   b. Technical assistance