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COME LEARN HOW TO BE BETTER PREPARED FOR A DISASTER AT WEATHERREADY FEST  
Fun and educational event at the Discovery Cube OC in Santa Ana on Saturday, September 16, 2017

Billion-dollar weather disasters are a regular occurrence today. The devastating impacts of extreme events like tornado outbreaks, widespread floods, destructive hurricanes, crippling droughts, deadly wildfires and earthquakes can be reduced by teaching people useful preparedness and resilience techniques.

The National Weather Association Foundation's *WeatherReady* Fest will take place at the Discovery Cube OC in Santa Ana this Saturday, September 16, 2017 from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. Family-friendly games, fun learning activities, weather vehicles from KNBC-LA and enlightening speakers will highlight this big, one-day weather festival.

More information is available on the festival website at [www.weatherreadyfest.com](http://www.weatherreadyfest.com). Admission to the *WeatherReady* Fest is included in the regular admission ticket price to the Cube that day.

Kids will love playing fun weather games while they collect stamps on their very own *WeatherReady* Passport for the chance to win exciting door prizes. They will have a blast learning how to be a Young Meteorologist in a special program in the Discovery Theater. Weather Channel Meteorologist Nick Walker will lead a stage show on the Sun Stage singing songs about weather preparedness for kids. Owlle Skywarn will lead a Young Meteorologist Rally teaching kids about flash floods.

Charles Dudley Warner is quoted as saying, "Everybody complains about the weather, but nobody does anything about it." But here you will find all kinds of people who are doing something: experts who study hurricanes, tornadoes, lightning, and more—to help keep people safe.

Festival Chair and NWA Vice President Bill Murray said, "The perfect forecast has no value if the audience can't act on it. *WeatherReady* Fest is designed to make exploring hazards and preparedness fun and interesting."

#### **About the National Weather Association Foundation**

The Foundation's purpose is to collect and disburse funds that will: support college and university students in meteorology and related fields; assist K-12 educators in developing and offering weather-related educational programs; and support other organizations engaged in offering education on weather related topics. To learn more, visit [www.nwas.org](http://www.nwas.org).