

# Protecting Your Family and Property from Civil Unrest

Mass demonstrations and protests can sometimes shift from peaceful gatherings to civil unrest that results in personal injuries, fatalities and property damage. Whether you decide to shelter in place or relocate to another area, use the following best practices to help protect yourself and your family.

## Considerations for Sheltering in Place or Relocation

- Stay informed by following accurate news sources including alerts issued by local governments, police or civil protection agencies
- Base your decision on whether to shelter in place or relocate on information from credible sources for the area in which you live
- Secure property to prevent crimes of opportunity
  - Lock and secure doors and fences
  - Secure objects that could be set on fire or thrown
- Pull together a “Go Bag”
  - Gather important documents (passport, birth certificates)
  - Cash
  - Clothing for a few days
  - Food & Water
  - Prescription medications
- Define an exit strategy if you choose to relocate
  - Decide on the location of where you will relocate
  - Consider the protesting climate of the area that you have identified to relocate
  - Plan the route and an alternate route
  - Keep gas within vehicles full
- Plan what to do if you have pets (Can you take them with or will someone watch them for you?)
- Prepare for a possible shutdown of services, including grocery stores and gas stations.
- Be aware of road closures or rioting activity on your route

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View more resources for violence & active shooter and more at [hubinternational.com/crisisresources](https://www.hubinternational.com/crisisresources), so you can protect what matters most. For additional support, please reach out to your local HUB office.