



 **Ready Georgia**

### Mobile App Description

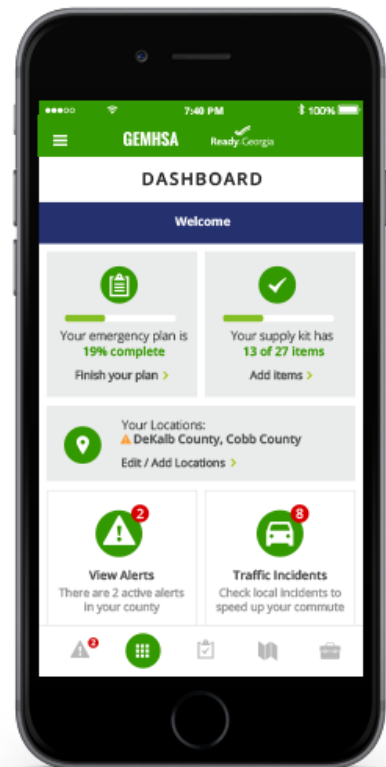
The award-winning *Ready Georgia* mobile app, created by the [Georgia Emergency Management and Homeland Security Agency \(GEMHSA\)](#) and Georgia Department of Public Health (DPH), is an interactive tool that makes it easier than ever to be ready for emergencies. The *Ready Georgia* app is available for [iPhone](#) and [Android](#) platforms. For more information, visit [ready.ga.gov](http://ready.ga.gov).

### Features include:

- Ready Profile emergency planning tool
- Weather and emergency alert notifications
- Live traffic map and list of active traffic incidents
- Map of nearby open Red Cross shelters
- Hurricane evacuation routes map
- Visual and text Ready kit checklists
- Information on what to do before, during and after different types of emergencies
- “I Am Safe” one-touch notification to emergency contacts

### What’s New in this Version:

- Overall redesign of user interface to enhance usability throughout the app
- Ability to monitor weather alerts for up to three Georgia counties
- “I Am Safe” functionality which allows users to text emergency contacts to let them know they are safe following an emergency
- An interactive visual supply checklist that allows users to check off both essential and suggested items for their Ready kit
- Ability to import emergency contact information from phone address book
- Progress tracker for the user’s customized emergency plan
- Mapped locations and website links for each county’s local emergency management agency



### Development Team & Timeline:

The *Ready Georgia* app was originally developed in 2011 in conjunction with the [Georgia Department of Public Health \(DPH\)](#). The app underwent its first major update in 2014 when GEMHSA, the National Weather Service, Georgia Dept. of Transportation, Georgia Tech and The Weather Channel partnered to significantly expand its capabilities. In 2015, the [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention \(CDC\)](#) evaluated the app and provided grant funding for enhancements. The result is a completely upgraded app released in September 2016.

