

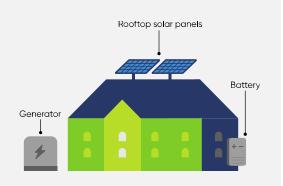
# Supporting the community to be power ready in an emergency

# An advanced backup energy system has been installed in Mortlake.

Moyne Shire Council is committed to supporting our communities in preparation for, during, and after emergencies.

The storms of 2021 demonstrated the importance of many services made possible with electricity and how crucial a resilient energy back-up is to keep them available during and after emergencies.

The Victorian Government funded the program for AusNet, Powercor, United Energy and Moyne Shire Council, to install in Mortlake an energy system to increase access to electricity for the community during prolonged power outages.



This energy resilience system supports other emergency preparedness measures Council has in place, including:

- Council Emergency Management Planning
- Partnerships with emergency services

For more information about emergency planning in Moyne Shire, visit:

#### www.moyne.vic.gov.au/Emergencies

Following the two extreme Victorian storms in 2021, the Victorian Government allocated \$7.5 million for 'Energy Resilience Solutions'. This funding has supported a review of impacted locations across key towns in 13 different Victorian municipalities, and the findings from the review have resulted in a selection of key buildings to receive solar power systems, batteries and generators. Systems are scheduled to be finalised during the summer of 2023/2024. Funded by:



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Supported by:

AusNet





## Available services in an emergency

Location	Backup power *	Device charging	Internet access	A/C	Universal access	Showers	Toilets
Mortlake Recreation Reserve							

\* Important note: the inclusion of a back-up energy supply does not mean that the facility is safe during or after an emergency. Please follow the advice of emergency services.

### Are you power prepared?

While Powercor and United Energy strives to keep the power system operating, be aware that extreme weather can damage powerlines and cause power outages.

Some things you can do to be ready if an emergency event impacts the electricity network:

- Keep your mobile phone fully charged. Have a battery pack ready to use.
- Keep a battery-operated radio and torch on hand (as well as spare batteries).
- Stock up on non-perishable food and bottled water especially if you use an electric water pump.
- Make sure you have access to an emergency kit.
- Check that you can manually open your electric garage door or gate if you need to leave during a
  power outage.
- To receive SMS updates from Powercor and United Energy during an outage, please make sure your electricity retailer has your current mobile number. Planning for an emergency

During an emergency event, you may lose access to communications, electricity or gas supply, and your ability to travel – even if your property is not directly affected by the emergency.

Make sure your plans consider a potential loss of electricity or gas.

If you do not yet have a fire safety, flood, storm or emergency plan, and if you are a registered powerdependent customer with a power outage plan, then now is the time to make (or update) one.

Learn more on power outages and resilience from:

Powercor.com.au/power-outages-and-emergencies

#### Unitedenergy.com.au/outages-emergencies

Energy.vic.gov.au/renewable-energy/microgrids

