On May Day, you can Do 1 thing to protect your collections or building from a disaster.

May Day is May 1st and every year staff and volunteers at cultural heritage organizations are encouraged to do one thing that can be completed in a day, but will have a profound impact on your institution’s ability to protect and preserve your collections and building in a disaster.

Whether you have a disaster plan or not, Conservation ConneCTion wants to help museums, libraries, historical societies and archives consolidate the essential information they need in the event of an emergency. We are providing online access to a customized template for the Pocket Response Plan (PReP) on our website. With the help of COSTEP-CT (Coordinated Statewide Emergency Preparedness for Connecticut) we have customized the template to include contact information for state and national disaster response resources and state contracts that will provide discounts for disaster response companies to qualified non-profits. You can fill in this template by clicking on the link on our website – www.ctconservationconnection.org.

Of course, knowing where your Pocket Response Plan is when a disaster occurs is also important. That is why we are sending you PReP envelopes. These lightweight, durable and water-resistant Tyvek envelopes are designed to hold your Pocket Response Plan and fit easily into a wallet. We’re providing three PReP envelopes for the individuals who are responsible for disaster response and recovery at your organization.

The most important things is to do something to protect your cultural resources on May Day. We hope you’ll complete a Pocket Response Plan.