

# Facebook 'Safety Check': let friends know you're OK

<https://www.facebook.com/about/safetycheck/>

Facebook's 'Safety Check' feature gives Facebook users a way to check on family and friends during natural disasters.

During a disaster, Safety Check helps users:

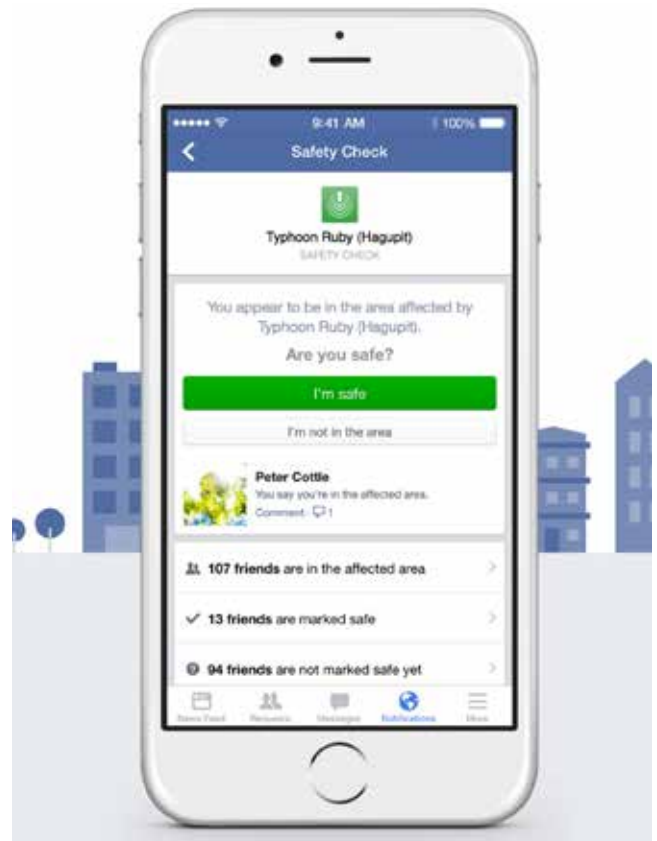
- let friends and family know they are safe
- check on friends and family in an affected area
- share information about a friend or family member's status.

The feature uses the location information provided to Facebook. This includes:

- the city listed in the Facebook profile
- Facebook friends' nearby check-ins
- the city in which a user is connected to the internet.

If there is a major event in an area a user has checked in from, Facebook sends a push notification asking if they are okay. Users can specify that they are safe (which will post a status their friends can see) or say they are not in the affected area.

A simple I'm safe / I'm not in the area message (and optional comments) will be visible to people in the user's friends list.



#### Check Notifications

If it looks like you may be in a major crisis, we'll ask if you're safe.



#### Say That You're Safe

If you're OK, click or tap the 'I'm safe' button to let friends and loved ones know straight away.



#### Check on Others

We'll let you know when friends say that they're safe. You can also check a list of friends who may be affected by the disaster.