



Hurricane Preparedness

Stay informed about hazards & emergencies that may affect you & your family • Develop an emergency plan. • Collect & assemble disaster supplies kit. • Learn where to seek shelter • Identify the community warning systems & evacuation routes • Practice and maintain your plan

Emergency Preparedness Checklist

- Prepare your evacuation plan, including pets, transportation routes and destinations
- Let out-of-town family/friends know of your plans
- Keep all trees and scrubs well trimmed and clear loose and clogged rain gutters and downspouts
- Stay informed. Listen to a NOAA weather radio or check local forecasts/news regularly
- Cover your home's windows with plywood or hurricane shutters. Tape does not prevent windows from breaking
- Bring in outdoor furniture, decorations, garbage cans, etc.
- Unplug electrical equipment except for freezers & refrigerators; Turn off utilities (if instructed to do so) & propane tanks
- Fill the bathtub or buckets with water to use for cleaning & flushing toilets
- Keep your car gas tank at least 3/4 full at all times
- Prepare and keep your emergency supplies kit (including important documents) in a waterproof, portable container in an easily accessible location
- Check on elderly relative and neighbors

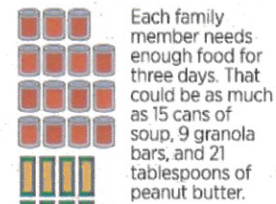
CREATING YOUR EMERGENCY KIT

YOU NEED ENOUGH SUPPLIES TO LAST AT LEAST 72 HOURS

HERE'S WHAT YOU NEED

- non-perishable food
- manual can opener
- water (1 gallon/person/day)
- battery or hand crank radio
- flashlight
- extra batteries
- wrench or pliers
- medication
- first aid kit
- whistle
- dust mask
- local maps
- battery/solar phone charger
- personal toiletry items
- pet food, water & supplies

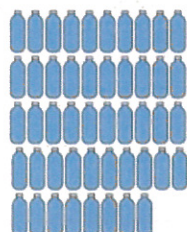
...ENOUGH FOOD



Each family member needs enough food for three days. That could be as much as 15 cans of soup, 9 granola bars, and 21 tablespoons of peanut butter.

HINT
Make sure it's food your family will *actually* eat.

HAVE ENOUGH WATER



TIP
You need a gallon of water per person for three days. For a family of 4 that's 32 16 oz bottles of water.

...AND PLENTY OF BATTERIES

You need a three-day supply. Enough for your cell phone charger, radio and flashlight.

