



## **Broward County Government** Newsletter

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# Community Care Plan, "the health plan with a heart"

#### Are you Ready?

You can't stop a tropical storm or hurricane, but you can take steps now to protect yourself and your family. The Atlantic hurricane season is June 1st through November 30th each year.

#### **Prepare Your Home Before the Storm:**

- Install permanent wooden or metal storm shutters or board up windows with 5/8'' marine plywood.
- Install metal straps or hurricane clips to securely fasten your roof to the frame structure.
- Trim trees and clear rain gutters and downspouts.

### As the Storm Approaches:

- Remember that a Hurricane Watch means the onset of hurricane conditions are possible within 36 hours, and a Hurricane Warning means the onset of hurricane conditions are likely within 24 hours.
- Have cash, a full tank of gas in a vehicle, and your disaster supplies kit ready to go.
- Listen to the radio or television and NOAA Weather Radio-all hazards for current information and be prepared to act guickly.
- Turn refrigerator and freezer to maximum cold and keep closed.
- Fill the bathtub and other large containers with water for bathing, flushing toilets, and cleaning, but do not drink this water.
- Secure or bring inside such outdoor items as patio furniture, kids' slides, and power mowers.
- Turn off propane tanks. Shut off other utilities if emergency officials advise you to do so.

#### **Immediately After the Storm:**

- Use extreme caution going out of doors. Be alert for downed power lines, broken glass, and damage to building foundations, streets and bridges.
- Watch for closed roads.

Content sources: <u>www.fema.gov/</u> <u>www.ready.gov/kit</u> <u>www.cdc.gov</u>

Always consult your physician before making changes to your lifestyle or healthcare routine. This information is available for free in other languages. Please call Member Services at 1-866-224-5701 Monday – Friday 8:00am – 7:00 pm EST. For hearing impaired assistance call: TTY/TDD 1-855-655-5303. Si usted necesita esta informatión en Español llame al 1-866-224-5701 TTY/TDD 1-855-655-5303 de Lunes a Viernes desde las 8:00am a 7:00pm EST. Si ou vie resevwa enfomesevon sa en Krevol rele nimewo telefon sa 1-866-224-5701 TTY/TDD 1-855-655-5303 Lendi jiska Vandredi de 8:00am a 7:00pm EST.





- Water: One (1) gallon per person per day for at least three (3) days (drinking & sanitation)
- Food: Three (3) day supply of non-perishable food
- **Emergency plan and** evacuation route
- **Disposable cleaning cloths** (baby wipes)
- **Battery-powered** radio with extra **batteries**
- **Prescription medicines and** supplies
- First Aid kit and manual
- Baby food and/or prepared formula
- Sleeping bags or extra blankets
- Important emergency local phone numbers
- **Cell phone with chargers**
- Local shelter information

If you are or think you may be pregnant, please call Community Care Plan to learn what steps you need to take in the event of a hurricane: 1-866-899-4828





