




DISTRICT 3  County Commissioner
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"Hurricane Season is here. Let's all be prepared."



Given that June 1st to November 30th is hurricane season, now would be an excellent time to focus on safety precautions and preparedness as top priorities. If we encounter such an event, you can refer to the links and important information we have provided for you.

YOUR SUPPLY CHECKLIST

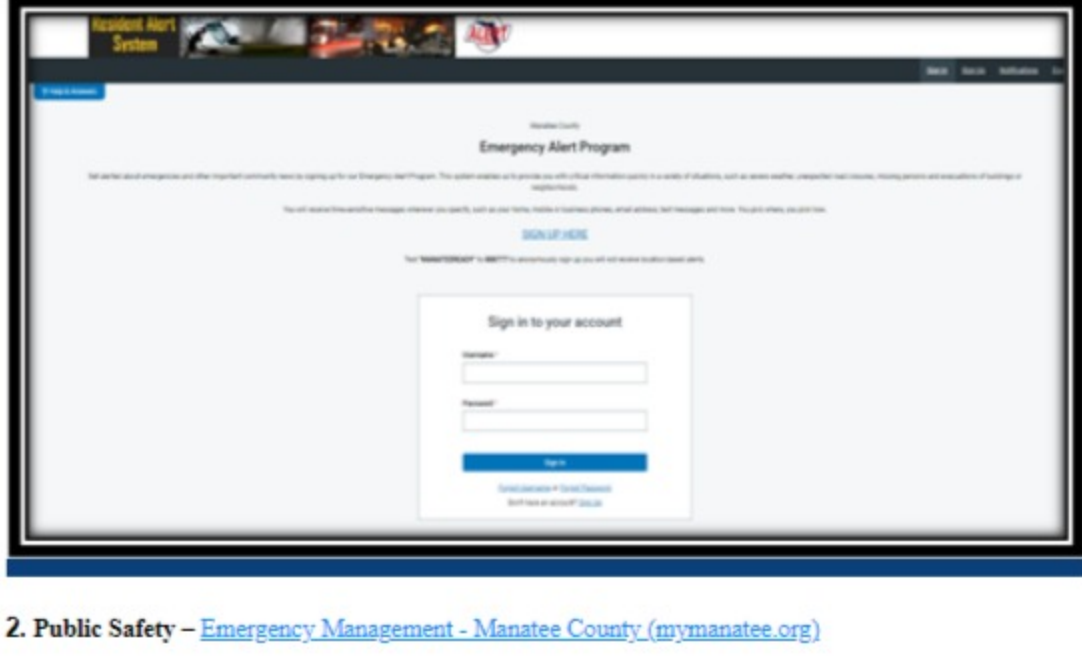


DISASTER SUPPLY KIT CHECKLIST

General	First Aid	Important Documents
<input type="checkbox"/> Two week minimum supply of medication, regularly used medical supplies, and a list of allergies <input type="checkbox"/> A list of the style, serial number, and manufacturer information of required medical devices <input type="checkbox"/> Batteries <input type="checkbox"/> Flashlights <i>Do not use candles</i> <input type="checkbox"/> NOAA Weather Radio <i>Battery operated or hand cranked</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Cash <i>Banks and ATMs may not be available after a storm</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Cell phone chargers <input type="checkbox"/> Books, games, puzzles or other activities for children	<input type="checkbox"/> First Aid Manual <input type="checkbox"/> Sterile adhesive bandages of different sizes <input type="checkbox"/> Sterile gauze pads <input type="checkbox"/> Hypoallergenic adhesive tape <input type="checkbox"/> Triangular bandages <input type="checkbox"/> Scissors <input type="checkbox"/> Tweezers <input type="checkbox"/> Sewing needle <input type="checkbox"/> Moistened towelettes <input type="checkbox"/> Antiseptic <input type="checkbox"/> Disinfectant wipes <input type="checkbox"/> Hand sanitizer <input type="checkbox"/> Thermometer <input type="checkbox"/> Tube of petroleum jelly <input type="checkbox"/> Safety pins <input type="checkbox"/> Soap <input type="checkbox"/> Latex gloves <input type="checkbox"/> Sunscreen <input type="checkbox"/> Aspirin or other pain reliever <input type="checkbox"/> Anti-diarrheal medicine <input type="checkbox"/> Antacid <input type="checkbox"/> Laxative <input type="checkbox"/> Cotton balls <input type="checkbox"/> Q-tips	<input type="checkbox"/> Insurance cards <input type="checkbox"/> Medical records <input type="checkbox"/> Banking information <input type="checkbox"/> Credit card numbers <input type="checkbox"/> Copies of social security cards <input type="checkbox"/> Copies of birth and/or marriage certificates <input type="checkbox"/> Other personal documents <input type="checkbox"/> Set of car, house, and office keys <input type="checkbox"/> Service animal I.D., veterinary records, and proof of ownership <input type="checkbox"/> Information about where you receive medication, the name of the drug, and dosage <input type="checkbox"/> Copy of Will <small>*Items should be kept in a water proof container</small>
<h3 style="background-color: #2c3e50; color: white; margin: 0;">Phone Numbers</h3> <input type="checkbox"/> Maintain a list of important phone numbers including: County emergency management office, evacuation sites, doctors, banks, schools, veterinarian, a number for out of town contacts, friends and family	<h3 style="background-color: #2c3e50; color: white; margin: 0;">Food and Water</h3> <input type="checkbox"/> Food <i>Nonperishable packaged or canned food and beverages, snack foods, juices, baby food, and any special dietary items to last at least 7 days</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Water <i>1 gallon per person per day</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Non-electric can opener <input type="checkbox"/> Paper plates <input type="checkbox"/> Napkins <input type="checkbox"/> Plastic cups <input type="checkbox"/> Utensils	<h3 style="background-color: #2c3e50; color: white; margin: 0;">Vehicle</h3> <input type="checkbox"/> Keep your motor vehicle tanks filled with gasoline
<h3 style="background-color: #2c3e50; color: white; margin: 0;">Clothing</h3> <input type="checkbox"/> Rain gear such as jackets, hats, umbrellas and rain boots <input type="checkbox"/> Sturdy shoes or boots and work gloves		<h3 style="background-color: #2c3e50; color: white; margin: 0;">Pet Care Items</h3> <input type="checkbox"/> Pet food and water to last at least 7 days <input type="checkbox"/> Proper identification <input type="checkbox"/> Medical records/microchip information <input type="checkbox"/> A carrier or cage <input type="checkbox"/> Muzzle and leash <input type="checkbox"/> Water and food bowls <input type="checkbox"/> Medications <input type="checkbox"/> Supplies for your service animal
<h3 style="background-color: #2c3e50; color: white; margin: 0;">Special Needs Items</h3> <input type="checkbox"/> Specialty items for infants, small children, the elderly, and family members with disabilities		<div style="background-color: #2c3e50; color: white; padding: 5px; border-radius: 5px;"> Find more disaster preparedness tips at FloridaDisaster.org </div>

Important Hurricane Links to Bookmark

- Emergency Alert:** [Manatee County -PUBLIC - Sign In \(everbridge.net\)](http://Manatee County -PUBLIC - Sign In (everbridge.net))



- Public Safety –** [Emergency Management - Manatee County \(mymanatee.org\)](http://Emergency Management - Manatee County (mymanatee.org))

Provides valuable information on the following:

- Emergency Management
- Emergency Preparedness
- Emergency Shelters
- Evacuation Levels
- Severe Weather Information Center
- Special Needs Registry
- Automatic Security Gates
- Community Emergency Response Team
- Emergency Orders and Rules
- Hazard Mitigation
- Publications
- Recovery Plan

- Manatee 311:** [Manatee 311 - Manatee County \(mymanatee.org\)](http://Manatee 311 - Manatee County (mymanatee.org))



For hurricane preparedness information: www.mymanatee.org/manateeready.

- Special Needs Registry:** [Manatee County - Special Needs Registry - Sign In \(everbridge.net\)](http://Manatee County - Special Needs Registry - Sign In (everbridge.net))

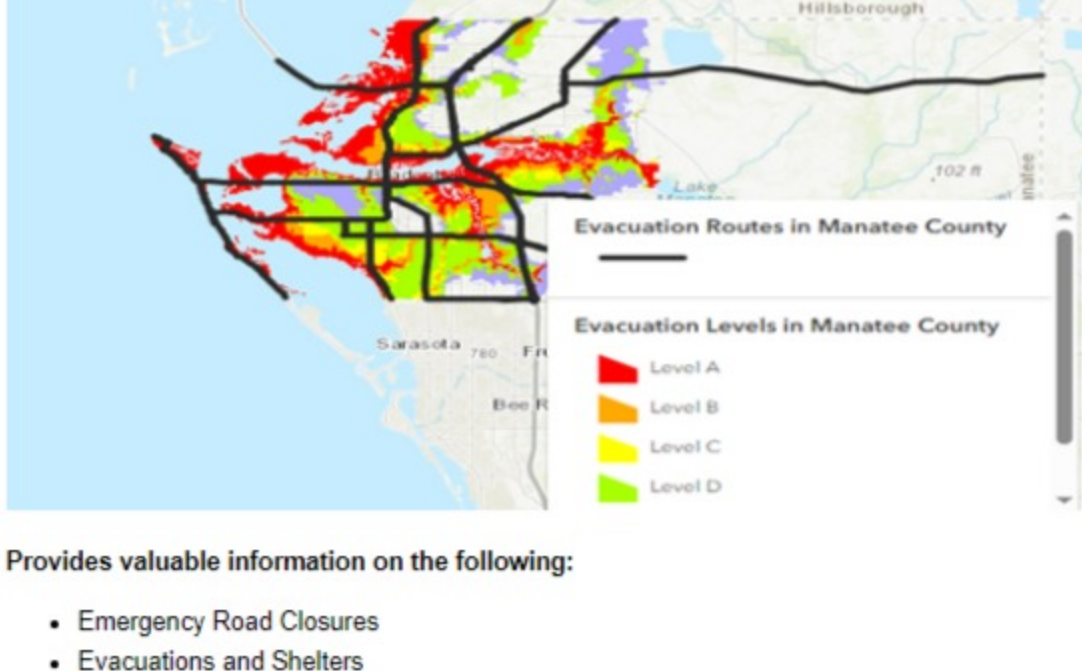


If you will be needing additional assistance during this Hurricane Season, make sure that you access the link above and register. Don't wait!

- Sandbag Locations:** [Sandbags | Extreme Weather Dashboard \(arcgis.com\)](http://Sandbags | Extreme Weather Dashboard (arcgis.com))



- Severe Weather Information Center:** [Weather | Extreme Weather Dashboard \(arcgis.com\)](http://Weather | Extreme Weather Dashboard (arcgis.com))



Provides valuable information on the following:

- Emergency Road Closures
- Evacuations and Shelters
- Resident Information Tool
- Sandbag Locations
- Weather
- Power Outages: FPL and PECO
- Open Gas Stations

Dear Neighbors,

As we anticipate the approaching hurricane season, I urge you to prioritize your safety and that of your loved ones by staying informed and organized. By bookmarking pertinent resources as listed in this newsletter, you enhance your ability to access crucial details swiftly and efficiently when they are most needed.

Let us embrace a collective commitment to safety, preparedness, and vigilance as we navigate the challenges of the upcoming hurricane season. Together, we can bolster our communities' capacity to withstand adversities and emerge stronger in the face of potential natural disasters.

Stay safe, stay informed, and stay resilient.

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