

TIPS FOR STAYING SAFE BEFORE, DURING AND AFTER A HURRICANE



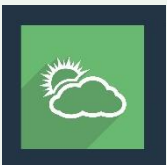
BEFORE THE STORM

- ☉ Prepare your Hurricane Supply Kit, First Aid Kit and 'Go Bag' in case of evacuation.
- ☉ Sign up for local alerts and warnings. Sign up for special needs shelter if needed.
- ☉ Protect your property. Secure your home and anchor all outside objects.
- ☉ Safeguard important documents and include a photo inventory of your possessions for insurance. Make a note of policy numbers and important phone numbers.
- ☉ Prepare a written hurricane preparedness plan and review it with family members.



DURING THE STORM

- ☉ Listen to and follow the advice of local authorities.
- ☉ Stay in a secure area of your home, away from doors and windows. Remain indoors during the brief calm when the eye passes.
- ☉ Keep radio and TV tuned to monitor weather and service bulletins.
- ☉ If electricity goes off use only flashlights, never candles, to light rooms.
- ☉ If evacuating, shut off electricity at the breaker box. Take your prepared kits and other essential items to the nearest shelter.



AFTER THE STORM

- ☉ Follow instructions from your local authorities.
- ☉ When deemed safe, walk or drive cautiously. Debris-filled streets, weakened structures, or displaced wildlife, and even insects can be a problem.
- ☉ Never go near downed power lines. Always assume they are energized and extremely dangerous. Puddled water or debris could be energized, too.
- ☉ Use your emergency water supply or boil water before drinking it until local authorities declare the water supply safe.

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- ✓ *If you no longer have your census mailing but have a computer, go online to my2020census.gov*
- ✓ *If you need to complete the 2020 Census over the phone with a Census Assistance representative, call 1-844-330-2020*
- ✓ *If you need further assistance, please call the City of Fort Pierce Planning Department at 772-467-3737 for assistance.*



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