HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS CHECKLIST

The right time to prepare for a hurricane is now. This helpful checklist will get you started. Make sure to include your entire family in the preparation and discuss your emergency plan with them. Post this checklist in an easily accessible location so it's always close by. Remember to keep in mind your family's unique needs as you complete the checklist.

BEFORE A HURRICANE	TOOLS & SAFETY ITEMS	DURING A HURRICANE
Stock your emergency kit and "go bag" with:	☐ Flashlight ☐ Multi-purpose tool	When a tropical storm or hurricane watch is issued, it's important to stay informed.
EMERGENCY COMMUNICATION	☐ Matches or lighter in waterproof	Tune in to channels:
 Important contact information for family, school, work, doctors, etc., including phone numbers and email addresses 	container Whistle	Check for alerts on apps: FEMA App
☐ Cellular phone, extra battery, and chargers for electrical equipment	FOOD/SUPPLIES	In case of evacuation, grab your "go bag" and leave immediately.
☐ AM/FM radio/NOAA Weather Radio (extra batteries)	☐ At least a three-day supply of water and non-perishable food	Use evacuation route:
	☐ Infant formula and diapers	The closest shelter is:
MEDICAL NEEDS	☐ Pet food, supplies, and extra water	Meet family at:
☐ Medications for at least one week and copies of prescriptions		Make sure to take these important numbers with you:
☐ Extra eyeglasses/contact lenses	HYGIENE & SANITATION	Family member's name:
☐ Medical equipment/assistive technology and backup batteries	☐ Soap/disinfectant/sanitizer☐ Paper towels/moist towelettes	Phone #:Email:
☐ First aid kit	☐ Toilet paper	Local contact's name:
	□ Bleach	Phone #:
	☐ Toothbrush and toothpaste	Phone #:Email:
CRITICAL DOCUMENTS ☐ Photo ID (e.g., driver's license, passport)		Out-of-state contact's name:
☐ Cash and credit cards	PROTECTIVE GEAR & CLOTHING	Phone #:Email:
Personal records (e.g., birth certificates, marriage certificates)	☐ Extra warm clothes ☐ Sturdy shoes	Primary physician's name:
☐ Medical records	☐ Blankets or sleeping bags	Phone #: Email:
☐ Financial information (e.g., bank account or credit card information)		Hospital's phone #:
☐ Property records (e.g., insurance policies, deed, or lease)	COMFORT & PRICELESS ITEMS	Insurance company's phone #:
☐ Waterproof, portable container for important documents	 Items like: books, puzzles, favorite stuffed toy, photo albums, valuables 	FEMA's helpline: 1-800-621-FEMA
		TTY: 1-800-462-7585
		VRS: 1-800-621-3362 Red Cross's helpline: 1-800-733-2727