

## PREPARE FOR A HURRICANE



Taking steps to protect your home and other property before a storm can help you to reduce losses and recover more quickly. Use the tips below to prepare now.

### SECURE

- Trim **trees** of weak branches that could come off and cause damage
- Clear yard of anything not tied down such as **barbeques**, propane tanks, chairs, tables and tabletop décor and plants
- Cover **windows** with storm shutters or nail plywood to protect you from glass breakage

### ASSURED

- **Fill** your gas tank or **charge** your electric vehicle
- Move automobiles under cover or in the **garage** if authorities recommend sheltering in place
- Talk with neighbors about preparation plans and plans to help each other
- Secure **pets**

### FORTIFY

- **Food** – keep non perishables on hand and make a trip to the grocery store when a storm is heading towards you but still far enough away to do it safely. Shelves empty quickly. Pet food also!
- Have plenty of **bottled water** available
- Stock up on **flashlights** and **extra batteries**
- Purchase a **portable generator** to keep essentials like the refrigerator, some lights and air conditioning running should power go out

### EMERGENCY SUPPLY KIT

- Prescription and non-prescription **medications** to last at least two weeks
- **First aid kit**
- Manual **can opener** for canned food items
- **Trash bags**
- Plastic sheeting and **duct tape** if you are sheltering in place in case window breaks
- Charge **cell phones** and keep chargers together so you can charge in your car if need be
- Extra **car keys**
- **Cash** and **credit cards**

For more information, visit <https://www.ready.gov/hurricanes>

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