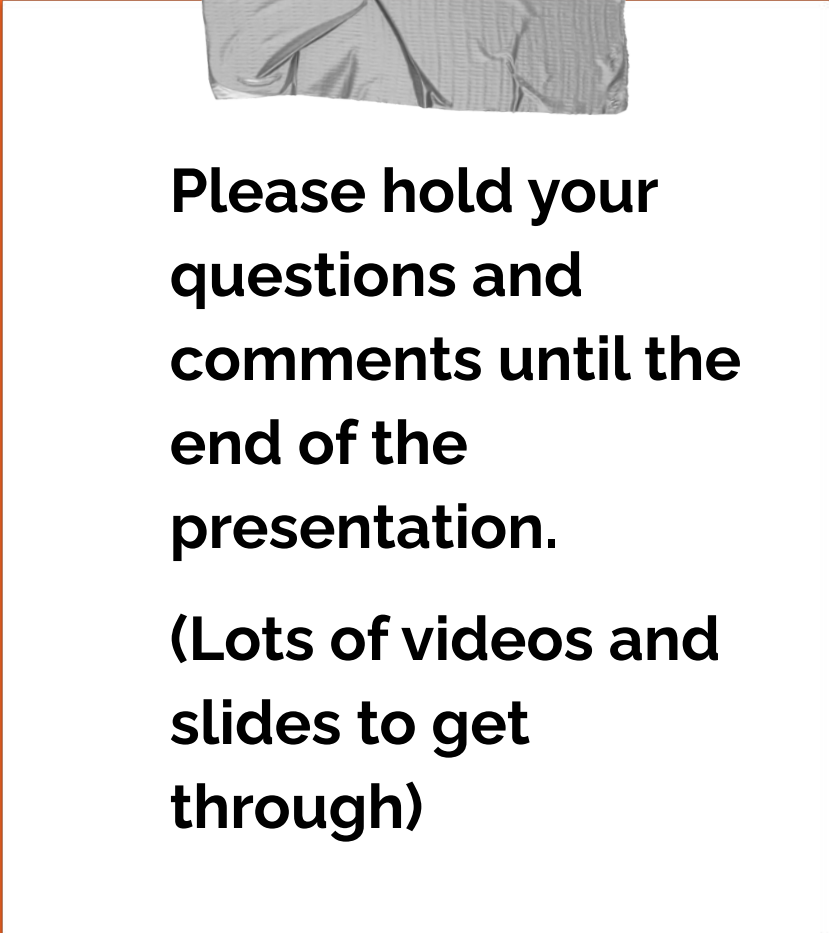

Hurricane Preparedness

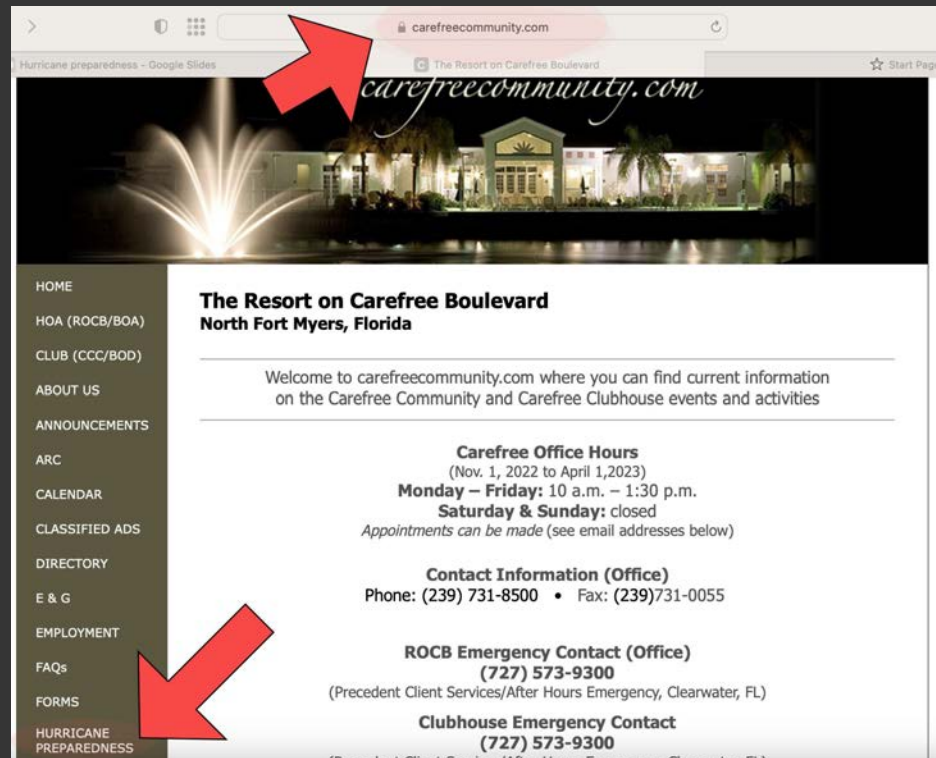
Blow by blow guide for Carefree residents



**Please hold your
questions and
comments until the
end of the
presentation.**

**(Lots of videos and
slides to get
through)**

– The recording of this presentation will be posted on the Carefree website. A pdf of all the slides will also be posted.



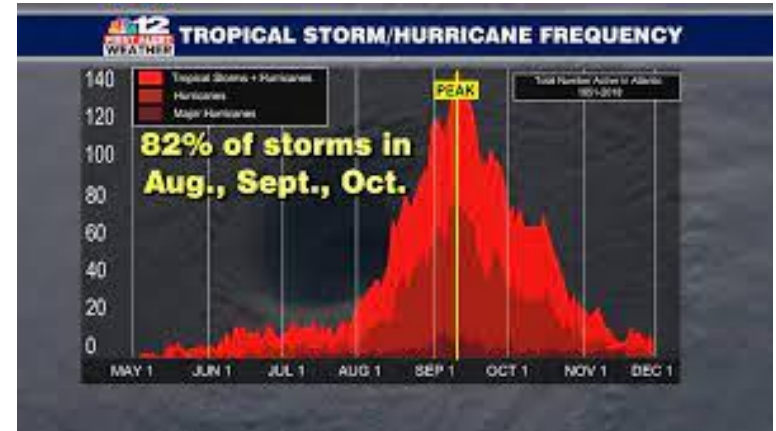
<https://www.carefreecommunity.com/hurricane-preparedness.html>

Season timeline

Hurricane season lasts from June 1 through November 30.

NOAA's outlook for the 2023 hurricane season:

- 40% chance of a near-normal season
- 30% chance of an above-normal season
- 30% chance of a below-normal season.





3 stages

- Before the storm
- During the storm
- After the storm

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Before the storm (i.e. NOW)

➤➤ Decide on your plan

➤➤ Get supplies



Before the storm:

**Sign up for AlertLee
now!**

<https://alertlee.com/>



Note

If you have trouble signing up, please feel free to text Cynthia
719-238-4928
for help



Fill out the Summer Resident Emergency Information sheet

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Yes No If yes, please check areas you can be of assistance. debris cleanup

food prep street leader communications shutters removal/storing of items

9. Are you willing to take a leadership role in carrying out Emergency Management Plan protocols?

Yes No

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Sign up for CallingPost Alerts

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Texting Phone # for Calling Post (One per household): _____

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____ food prep ____ street leader ____ communications ____ shutters ____ removal/storing of items

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Need a copy of the form?

<https://www.carefreecommunity.com/hurricane-preparedness.html>

Or you can pick one up from the office.

CallingPost list

When you fill out the Summer Resident Emergency Information form and say “Yes” to Calling Post notices, you will be added to the CallingPost list for June 1 - September 30. A new list will be generated in the fall, and you will automatically be added to it.

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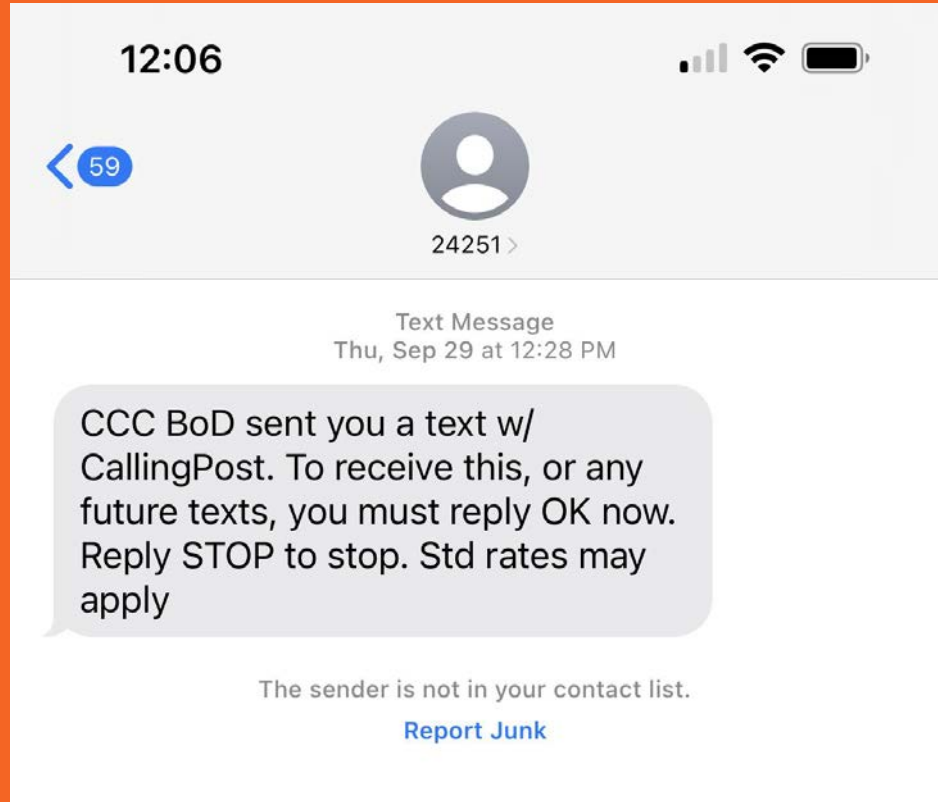
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After you fill out the Carefree Summer Resident form and request CallingPost texts, you'll need to opt in with CallingPost.

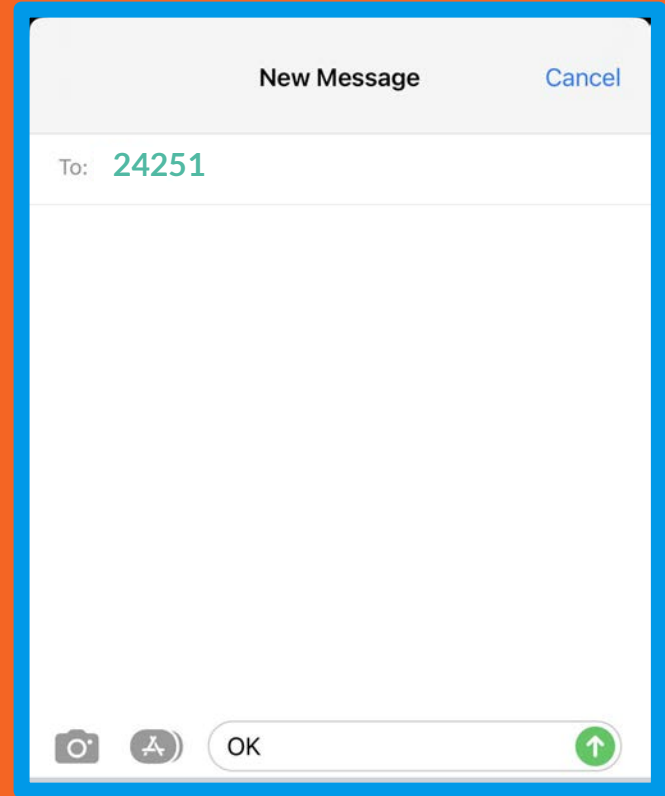
There are 3 ways to opt in.

Method 1 for opting in to CallingPost



Method 2 for opting in to Calling Post messages

Text "OK" to 24251



Method 3
for opting in
to Calling
Post
messages

**Dial 877-304-5857 from
the phone you receive
texts on**



**CallingPost is now
text only
(no phone calls).**

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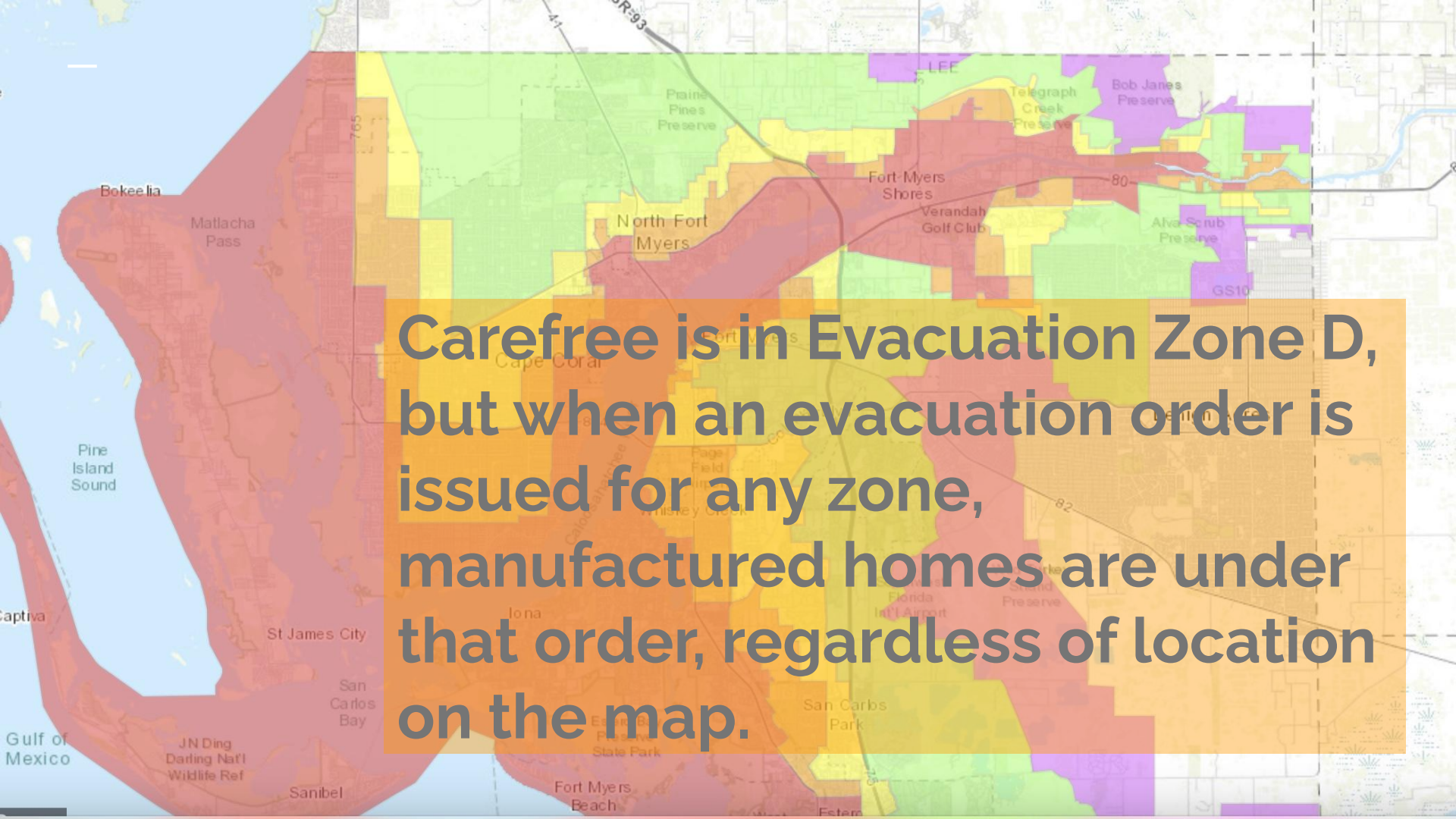
Before the storm:

➤ Keep your gas tank full

➤ Have some cash on hand

Planning: You have options

- Evacuate in 1 of 3 ways
- Ride out the storm in your home.
The BoA and BoD recommend that you do NOT choose this option.



Carefree is in Evacuation Zone D, but when an evacuation order is issued for any zone, manufactured homes are under that order, regardless of location on the map.

Option 1: Evacuate by going to a local hotel or other accommodation

Make your reservations early

Questions to ask about a hotel you're considering:

- What evacuation zone are you in?
- Do you have a generator?
- What does that generator power when the electricity goes out?
- What is your policy on dogs, cats, and other pets? (no state mandate to admit them)
- What is your cancellation policy?

Remember: no power = no a/c in room



Things to take with you to a hotel

Flashlight

Water

Food

Portable device charger



No Woman Left Behind

Provides money for evacuating to a hotel for those who would be unable to evacuate without financial assistance.

If you would like to help support No Woman Left Behind, you can drop off a check made out to the effort's treasurer and bank account keeper, Mary Gay Hutcherson, M-23.

Let Mary Gay know as soon as possible that you will need assistance.

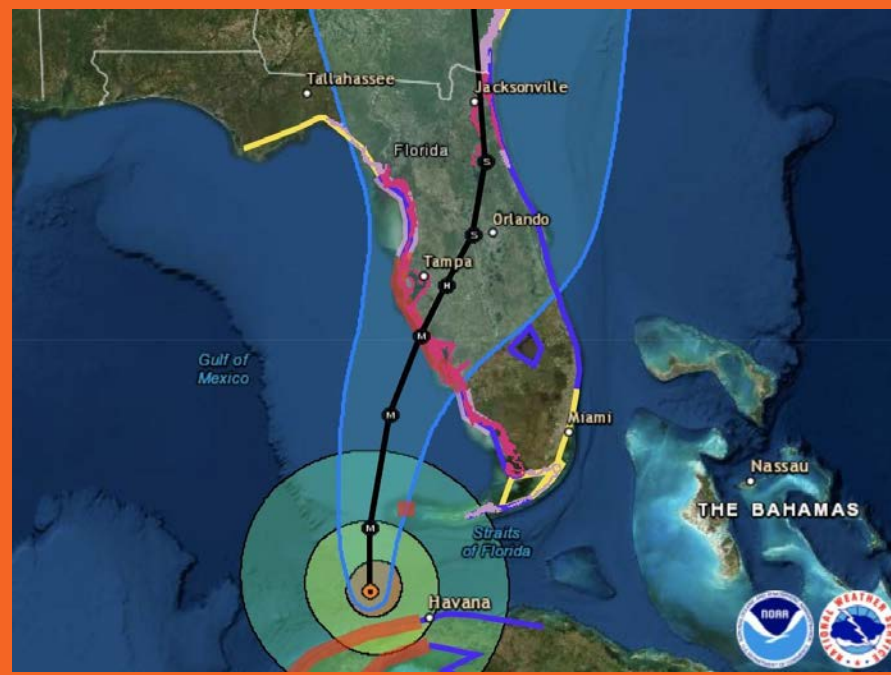
Option 2: Evacuate by going to an accommodation in another part of Florida

Remember to leave as early as you can because the roads will become super congested.

Keep your gas tank FULL. Gas stations run out of gas, and trucks can't get in to replenish supplies right away. Pumps don't work when the power goes out.

Consider taking a gas can with some gas in it

Put water and snacks in the car because you might get stuck.



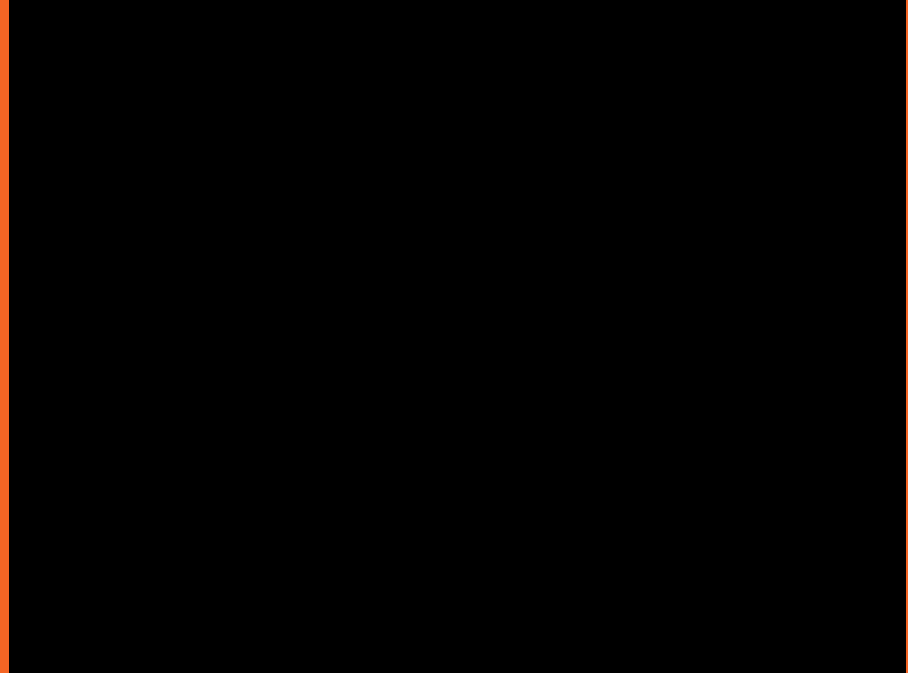
Southwest Florida has been identified as THE hardest place in the country to evacuate due to our large population and limited road system.

Option 3: Evacuate by going to a public shelter in Fort Myers

Policies at shelters change, so it's important to find out what the shelter's policy is regarding pets, etc.

<https://www.leegov.com/publicsafety/emergencymanagement/shelters>

Get the list of what they recommend for taking to the shelter and get your go-bags prepared.



Option 4: Staying put

Ride out the storm in your home in Carefree.

The BoA and BoD do NOT recommend this option.



Essential supplies

Water

Blue Can 50 Year Shelf Life Water



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2 VIDEOS



Brand: Blue Can

4.7 ★★★★★ 861 ratings

Amazon's Choice for "emergency water supply"

Price: **\$49.99** (\$0.17 / Fl Oz)

Thank you for being a Prime Member. Pay ~~\$49.99~~ **\$0.00** for this order. Get a **\$125 Amazon Gift Card** upon approval for the **Amazon Business Prime Card** with an eligible Prime membership. Terms apply.

Size: **12 Fl Oz (Pack of 24)** ^

12 Fl Oz
(Pack of 24)

\$49.99
(\$0.17 / Fl Oz)

32 Fl Oz
(Pack of 9)

\$49.99
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Essential supplies

Water

- Store at least 1 gallon of water per day for each person and each pet.
- Store at least a 3-day supply of water for each person and each pet.
- Try to store a 2-week supply if possible.
- Fill up your bathtub and other containers for washing, etc.



Essential supplies

Water

LifeStraw Go Series – BPA-Free Water Filter Bottle for Travel and Everyday Use Removes Bacteria, Parasites and Microplastics, Improves Taste, 1L Aegean Sea



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Visit the LifeStraw Store

4.9 ★★★★★ 10 ratings

-10% ~~\$49.92~~

List Price: \$49.95 @

✓prime One-Day

FREE Returns

Thank you for being a Prime Member. Pay \$44.92 ~~\$0.00~~ for this order. Get a \$125 Amazon Gift Card upon approval for the Amazon Business Prime Card with an eligible Prime membership. Terms apply.

May be available at a lower price from other sellers, potentially without free Prime shipping.

- LifeStraw Go Series is the ULTIMATE SIDEKICK. The BPA-Free bottle filters out nasties so you can fill up from airport bathrooms, a tap in Mexico, or a gas station while road-tripping
- IMPROVES TASTE: the Carbon filter reduces chlorine, odors + organic chemical matter
- FILTERS OUT CONTAMINANTS: the Membrane microfilter protects against 99.999999% Bacteria (including E.coli + Salmonella), 99.999% Parasites

Essential supplies

Food

[← Back to results](#)

Augason Farms 72-Hour 1-Person Emergency Food Supply Kit 4 lbs 1 oz



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Visit the Augason Farms Store

4.6 2,363 ratings

Amazon's Choice for "72 hour emergency food supply"

-38% \$24.97

List Price: \$39.99

prime One-Day

Thank you for being a Prime Member. Pay \$24.97 **\$0.00** for this order. Get a **\$125 Amazon Gift Card** upon approval for the **Amazon Business Prime Card** with an eligible Prime membership. Terms apply.

Size: **1 Pack**

1 Pack

\$24.97

2 Pack

\$75.00



Essential supplies

Medications





Essential supplies

Medications

If you get your prescriptions via USPS or other delivery method, extra planning may be necessary.

Essential supplies

Auto NOAA Emergency Weather Radio, Solar Hand Crank Radio, Portable Battery Operated Emergency Radio with AM FM Shortwave, USB Charger, LED Flashlight, Clock, SOS Alert for Home Outdoors Camping Survival



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Visit the Eoxsmile Store
4.4 ★★★★★ 4,299 ratings
| 87 answered questions

Deal

-15% **\$33.99**

Was: \$39.99

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Color: **Yellow Black with LCD Dis...**





Essential supplies

Staying cool

COOL RAG Extreme Cooling Towel for Heat Relief - PVA Cooling Towel for Workout, Gym, Running and for Other Outdoor Sports - Cooling Rag for Neck - Cool Towel for Quick Cooling (Pack of 1) (1/Tube (Blue))



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Brand: South Sport
4.3 ★★★★★ 1,070 ratings

\$14⁹⁹

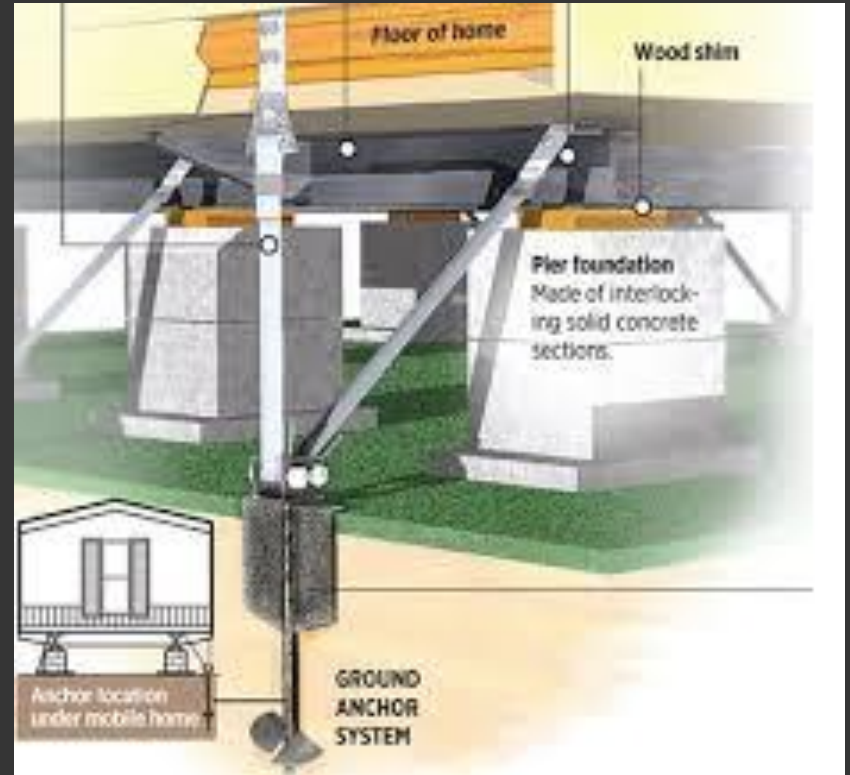
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You can elect
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securing your
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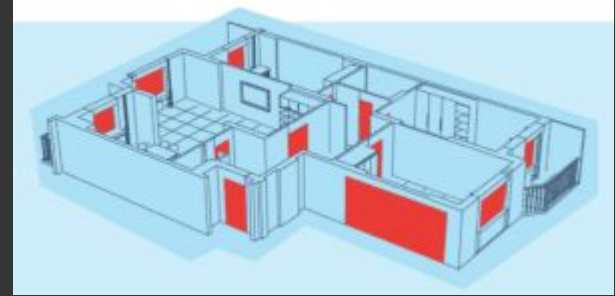


From the Institute for Business & Home Safety:

Shut the Doors on Wind

CLOSE ALL INTERIOR DOORS TO COMPARTMENTALIZE PRESSURES

Closing interior doors can give your roof a fighting chance in a severe wind storm. If a window or door is broken by flying debris or has blown open, your house will rapidly fill with air (imagine a balloon inflating inside your house) and cause a dangerous increase in peak forces pushing on the roof. In our testing of a 1,400-square-foot single-story home at the IBHS Research Center, we found that simply closing the internal doors reduced by up to 30% the amount of extra load the roof had to withstand in this situation.





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During the storm





Storm timeline:

A hurricane watch is issued when hurricane conditions are a possibility within 48 hours.

A hurricane warning is issued when a hurricane is expected in an area within 36 hours.

The Carefree clubhouse is closed and locked when a hurricane warning is issued.

WATCH VS WARNING

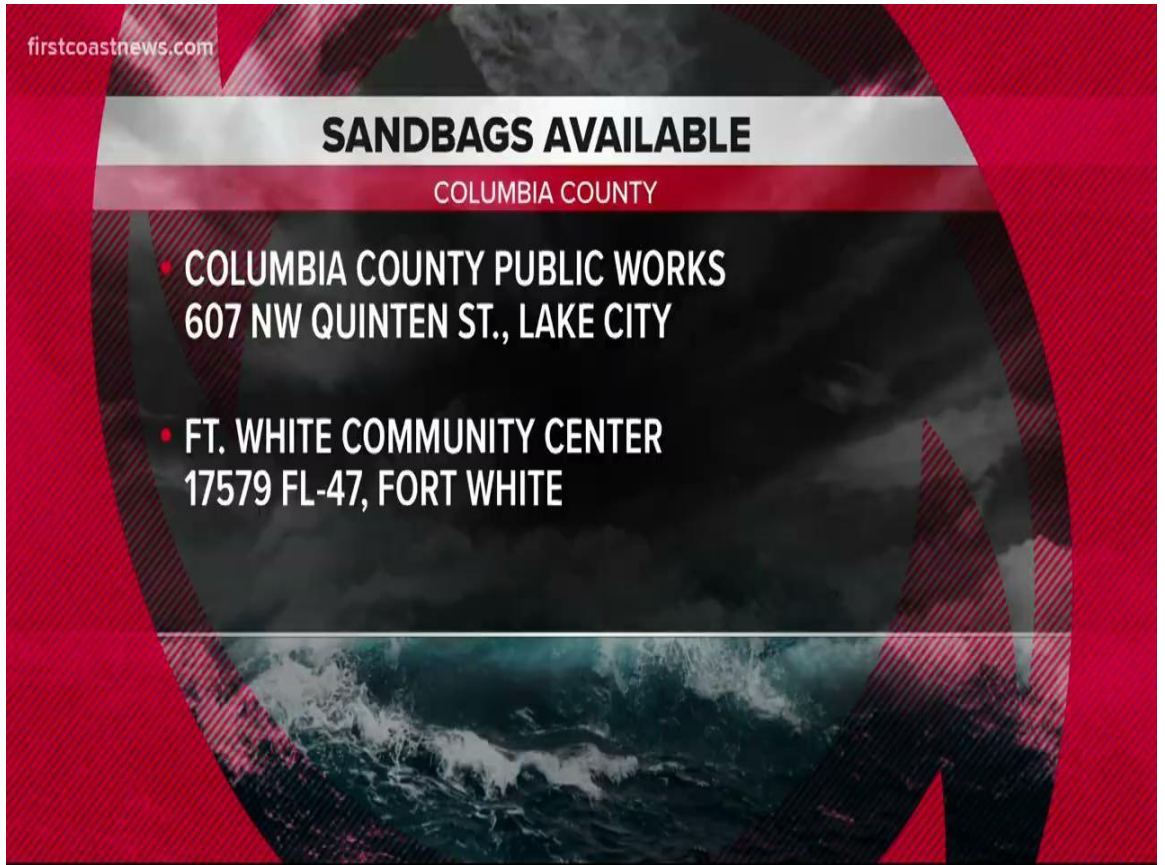
-  WATCH: We have the ingredients to make tacos.
-  WARNING: We're having tacos. RIGHT NOW!



Note

County emergency services will open our gates when a hurricane warning is issued. The gates will remain open until power is restored after a storm.

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**Don't open any
windows!**



firstcoastnews.com

SANDBAGS AVAILABLE

COLUMBIA COUNTY

- COLUMBIA COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS
607 NW QUINTEN ST., LAKE CITY
- FT. WHITE COMMUNITY CENTER
17579 FL-47, FORT WHITE



Things to remember if you decide to stay or return to Carefree before power and water are restored–

Clubhouse is closed and locked.

No porta-potties.

No water or toilet flushing.

No generator.

Roads may be blocked.

Emergency services may not be available.



Things to remember if you decide to stay or return before power and water are restored–

We could be without power and water for weeks.

Cell towers could be down.

When power is off, lift station doesn't work. That means toilet flushing must cease until power is restored – or we could wind up with sewage backed up into our homes.

After the storm



Deadliest part of the storm: the aftermath

Debris cleanup accounts for about a quarter of the fatalities reported in Florida after storms.

Floridians fall off roofs, ladders, and trees while trying to clean up after hurricanes; some suffer heart attacks from exertion, or had accidents while operating machinery.

Heat also causes fatalities – especially when the weather is hot and muggy after a storm.



Fact

The deadliest period of a hurricane is the aftermath.

Deadliest part of the storm: the aftermath

The clubhouse will not be re-opened until after power and water are restored.

If you plan to be at Carefree in the aftermath of a storm, consider getting a generator.

If you're considering getting a "solar generator," know its limitations.

Cathy Banks will host a hands-on generator tutorial on Sun., June 4, 11 a.m., S7.

Also consider getting a portable a/c so you can use it with a generator to stay cool.



Staying cool is critical

–
**Don't use the
swimming pool or
spa UNTIL
ALL-CLEAR GIVEN!**

- Shock hazard
- Microorganism hazard

**Communication during
and after the storm**

Via texts from CallingPost



In the days following Ian, those of us who were at Carefree met in the parking lot in the evenings. We grilled and ate up food from our fridges, freezers, and pantries. It was also a time for announcements and discussion.

Though we can't be certain there will be grills available for our use after future storms, the practice of gathering in the parking lot at 6 p.m. every evening will continue.



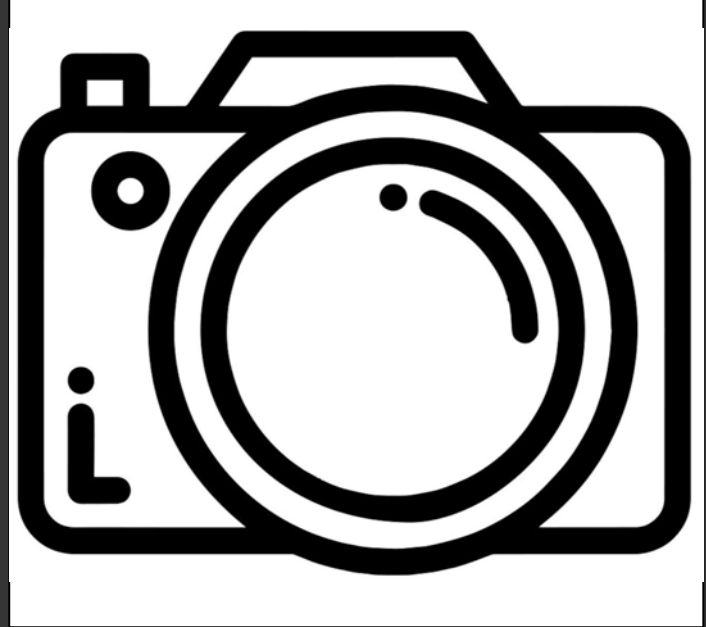


Debris clean up

YOU MUST KEEP STORM DEBRIS IN YOUR YARD FOR PICKUP BY FEMA – DO NOT PUT IT ON ROAD OUT TO 41. FEMA will not pick up from Carefree Blvd. because it's not our property. MUST BE ON PRIVATE PROPERTY FOR FEMA TO PICK UP.

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Before you begin any debris cleanup, be sure to document EVERYTHING with photos for insurance!

Take photos and video of clubhouse and common areas. This is for insurance purposes – we want to get paid!



Excellent resources available from
Lee County

Videos

Guides

Checklists

<https://www.leegov.com/hurricane>

<https://www.leegov.com/publicsafty/Documents/Emergency%20Management/2018FamilyEmergencyPlan-editable.pdf>



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You'll find links to many useful resources on the Carefree website.

<https://www.carefreecommunity.com/hurricane-preparedness.html>

Summer Resident Emergency Information [fillable form](#)

[Emergency Information](#)

[Steps for Carefree Hurricane Season Bulletin](#)

[AARP Disaster-Prep Checklist](#)

[All Hazards Guide-2022](#)

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Questions

Comments