

HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS GUIDE

Get Ready for Hurricane Season!

Hurricane Season begins on June 1st and continues through November 30th.

Don't wait until a named storm is within striking distance: Prepare now and make sure your family and your property are protected!



SAFEGUARD YOUR FAMILY

Assemble an Emergency Kit

If a storm hits, you may need to survive independently for several days. Prepare now by placing emergency supplies in plastic bins or bags that will keep them dry and portable. A basic emergency kit should contain a three-day supply (at minimum) of water and non-perishable food for each household member, as well as medicines, a first aid kit, personal hygiene items, a radio and flashlights with extra batteries, and copies of important documents. Visit www.ready.gov/kit for a comprehensive list!

Create a Communication Plan

It's important to maintain an up-to-date list of contact information and share it with family members and friends. Visit www.ready.gov/plan to create a customized Family Emergency Communication Plan.

Consider Your Medical Needs

The City of Sunrise is not in a hurricane evacuation zone. This means that healthy, non-vulnerable residents can remain in their home during a storm. If you are dependent on electricity for your medical needs, or if you have a medical condition that requires special care (but not hospitalization), a Broward County Special Needs Shelter may be appropriate for you. Pre-registration is strongly encouraged; visit www.broward.org/atrisk for an application, or call (954) 831-3902.

Residents who are at risk due to frailty or disability—but decide to stay home during a storm—are encouraged provide their contact information to **Broward** County's Vulnerable Population Registry. This tool helps the County and the City of Sunrise better plan for emergencies. To register, visit www.broward.org/atrisk or call 311.



PREPARE YOUR HOME

Be sure that your homeowners (or renters) insurance is up to date, and that you have the shutters, hardware, and installation tools necessary to protect your windows and doors.



PREPARE YOUR YARD

When a hurricane watch or warning has been issued, it's too late to trim your trees and safely dispose of branches and other vegetation. Debris that's left outside can cause serious damage to your home—or to your neighbors' homes—when the wind rises. It can also block roadways and slow the response of emergency personnel.

Now—before a storm threatens our community—is the time to make sure your trees are trimmed and branches are properly disposed of.



Do not place tree trimmings, landscape debris or other items out for garbage or bulk trash collection just before a storm. Collection services stop well before a storm event, and they do not resume until crews can safely pick up and dispose of items.

If a storm warning has been declared, residents should bring loose objects—such as patio furniture, bicycles and aarbage carts—inside so those items don't become projectiles in high winds.



STAY INFORMED

Sunrise uses the high-speed CodeRED notification system to alert residents in the event of a hurricane, boil water order or other emergency. You can decide how you want to be contacted: by phone, by text and/or by email. The only way to be sure you're in our database is to register. Visit www.sunrisefl.gov/codered to sign up online, or text AlertSunrise to 99411.

Other important sources of City information include our website (www.sunrisefl.gov), social media accounts (@cityofsunrise on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram), and Sunrise Source email newsletters (visit www.sunrisefl.gov/sunrisesource to opt in).

Be safe, Sunrise! For additional resources, visit sunrisefl.gov/hurricane.