

PPRVP Disaster Plan



As residents of Florida, we may not be able to prevent disasters from occurring, but by planning ahead we can help save lives, property, and reduce the time it takes for our communities to recover.

The information provided in this plan will help you prepare for future disasters by providing useful planning tips, suggestions, and checklists.

Included in our PPRVP Disaster Plan is important information about what steps you might want to take, to prepare for a disaster:

- Food and water supplies recommended for your family
- Tips and supplies for planning for pets
- Important documents and files to collect and protect
- Disaster Kits and what to have in them
- Your local evacuation routes
- Contact information for local emergency providers
- Checklist of important things to do before, during and after a disaster, and more!



My Household Members

This PPRVP Disaster Plan has been prepared for the residents of Paradise Pines RV Park.

You should discuss your family Disaster Plan so you understand what to do in the event of a disaster. Also, be sure to carefully consider the different needs of each person in your household and make sure any special needs are included in your plan. Members of your household that might have special needs include babies, infants, small children, elderly persons, and any persons with disabilities.



My Family Meeting Location/ Out of Town Contact

Your family may not be together when a disaster occurs, so it is good to plan ahead and choose a place where you could meet after a disaster or how you will contact one another if you are separated. When you discuss your family Disaster Plan as a group, be sure everyone knows and reviews what you will do in different situations.



My Plan for Disabilities/Special Needs

If you or someone within your household has a Disability or a Special Need, you may have to take additional steps to protect yourself and your family in an emergency.

Here are some helpful tips to consider following before for an emergency occurs:

- Form a support network of people in your area to help you in an emergency. (Neighbors, nearby friends or PPRVP Board members)
- Create an Emergency Kit containing supplies specific to your special needs. (Suggested items to have in your emergency kit are provided below)
- Inform your support network about your emergency kit and where you store it.
- Give a member of your support network a key to your house or apartment.
- Contact your local emergency management office and notify them of your Disability/Special Need. (Most emergency management offices keep a current list of people within a community who have a Disability/Special Need, so you can be located and assisted quickly in the event of an emergency)
- Wear medical alert tags/bracelets to help identify your Disability/Special Need
- If you are dependent on dialysis or other life sustaining treatment, know the locations and availability of more than one facility in your area.
- Show your support network and others how to operate your wheelchair.
- Know the size and weight of your wheelchair, in addition to whether or not it is collapsible, in case it has to be transported.

As mentioned above, it is important that you create an Emergency Kit of special items in advance. Here are some supplies to consider keeping in your Kit:

- Extra supply of prescription medicines, a list of medications and their dosages
- Extra set of eyeglasses and extra hearing-aid batteries.
- Extra walking device, wheelchair batteries, and oxygen if necessary
- List of the styles and serial numbers of medical devices you use
- Extra copies of medical insurance documents and Medicare/Medicaid cards
- List of doctors, relatives, and friends who should be notified if you are injured

For more information about preparing for disasters for people with disabilities or special needs please visit:

www.DisabilityPreparedness.gov

www.NOD.org (National Organization on Disability)

www.Ready.gov



My Pets

All pet owners should make arrangements for their pets if they plan to evacuate. Remember, many disaster shelters cannot accept pets because of health and safety regulations, so be sure to contact your local shelter to find out about their pet policies. Service animals for people with disabilities are an exception. For shelters that allow pets, you must provide proof of updated license and vaccinations. Do not wait to have your pet

vaccinated, since many vaccinations can take 3-4 days to take affect and may not be acceptable by disaster shelters if performed at the last minute. All pets must also be in an "airline approved" pet carrier.

If you can't take your pets with you, make arrangements ahead of time with a clinic or kennel to care for your pet. These arrangements should be made well in advance because available spaces can fill up quickly during times of disaster.

Here are important items to have for your pet in the event of a disaster:

Pet Disaster Supply List

- Vaccination papers
(Be sure your vet includes vaccinations for Kennel Cough, Parvo, and Distemper)
- Leash
- Collar with Pet's Identification Tag
- Pet food and water
- Food and Water Bowl
- Medications
- Name and contact information of you're pet's veterinarian
- Recent Picture of Pet
- "Airline Approved" Pet Carrier
(Carriers should be large enough for the animal to stand up, sit, and turn around)
- Cat Litter and Pan for cat(s)
- Muzzle for Dog required

Never leave your pets at your home if you choose to evacuate. Remember, "If it's dangerous for you, it's dangerous for them."

For more information about pet disaster planning, write to:

The Humane Society / Disaster Services
2100 L Street NW
Washington, DC 20037

Also, you can call (202) 452-1100 or visit www.hsus.org



My Food

It is recommended to have a three-day supply of non-perishable food. Non-perishable means food that can stay good for a long time without needing to be in the refrigerator. It is also good if the food doesn't need to be cooked. Keep food in a dry, cool location.

Remember to replace your food supplies every six months to ensure freshness. A good way to remember when to replace your foods is by doing so at the same time when you change your clocks for Daylight Savings.

Here are some suggestions of foods to have prepared:

- Ready-to-eat canned meats, fruits and vegetables
- Canned juice, milk and soup
- High energy foods, like peanut butter, granola bars, trail mix
- Powdered coffee or tea
- Dried fruits and nuts
- Bread and crackers
- Vitamins
- Sugar, salt and pepper
- Fun foods! Like cookies, hard candy, lollipops
- Special food for babies or older people

Along with your food supply, it is necessary to collect all the items that are necessary for food storage, cooking, eating, and cleaning.

- Camping stove with extra gas
- Pots, pans, plates and utensils
- Sponges, soap and other cleaning supplies
- Napkins, towels and paper products
- Manual can opener
- Ice cooler / Ice chest



My Water

Drinking Water

Storing drinking water is one of the most important things you can do before a disaster. In a disaster, water pipes may be broken or the water may become contaminated. To be ready, you should have at least a 3-day supply of drinking water at your home. Plan to have at least one gallon of water for each person per day.

Based on the people you have included in your disaster plan, you should have:

6 gallons of drinking water stored for a three day supply

Water Storage Tips

Buying 1 Gallon jugs of bottled water is suggested, but you can fill your own water containers if needed. Be sure to store your water in plastic containers. Plastic soft drink bottles are fine for use, but don't use milk cartons or glass bottles!

Cooking and Hygiene Water *(For cooking meals/ brushing teeth/ bathing)*

You will also need one gallon of water for each person per day for things like cooking and personal hygiene (like brushing your teeth). **And don't forget extra water for your pets!**

Based on the People you have included in your disaster plan, you should have:

6 gallons of cooking/hygiene water stored for a three day supply

Water Storage Tips

Buying 1 Gallon jugs of bottled water is suggested, but you can fill your own water containers if needed. Be sure to store your water in plastic containers. Plastic soft drink bottles are fine for use, but do not use milk cartons or glass bottles!

Total gallons of water needed for your Family Disaster Plan: 12 gallons



My Ice

Ice is an important item to have in times of disaster, especially when living in a hot, tropical climate such as Florida. To be prepared, you should have a 3-day supply of ice ready. Plan to have about one bag of ice for each person per day.

Based on the people you have included in your disaster plan, you should have:

6 bags of ice stored for a three day supply.



MY FIRST AID KIT

During a disaster, you or a family member may become injured. A First Aid Kit will be needed to treat an injured person, so be sure to keep a first aid manual and basic medical supplies in your First Aid Kit. Having these basic supplies will allow you to assist someone who has been injured. Remember, many injuries are not life threatening and do not require immediate medical attention. Knowing how to treat minor injuries can make a difference in an emergency. Also, it is recommended that you and other PPRVP members take a first aid class.

Here are the things you should have in your First Aid Kit:

- First Aid Manual
- Sterile adhesive bandages of different sizes
- Sterile gauze pads
- Hypoallergenic adhesive tape
- Triangular bandages
- Scissors
- Tweezers
- Sewing needle
- Moistened towelettes
- Antiseptic
- Thermometer
- Tube of petroleum jelly
- Safety pins
- Soap
- Latex gloves
- Sunscreen
- Aspirin or other pain reliever
- Anti-diarrhea medicine
- Antacid
- Laxative
- Activated charcoal

Pasco County Evacuation Routes

Always try to use evacuation routes which have been pre-selected by local authorities. Using shortcuts may cause evacuation delays due to impassable, dangerous, or closed roads. Below are the Pasco County shelters and your designated evacuation routes.

******* NOTE *******

**Mobile Home and RV Residents must evacuate
regardless of current evacuation level**

Pasco County Shelters

Click on school name for directions

***** All shelters may not be open, check your local news channel to see what shelters are open or call numbers listed *****

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| SHELTER 1 & 2 | | | |
| Pine View Elementary | 5333 Parkway Blvd. | Land O' Lakes, 34639 | 813-794-4800 |
| Pine View Middle | 5334 Parkway Boulevard | Land O' Lakes, 34639 | 813-794-4800 |
| Drive out of Paradise Pines RV Park Turn RIGHT on Leonard Road Turn LEFT on US-41 (also known as Land O Lakes Blvd) Turn RIGHT on Hale Road (it becomes Canterbury Drive) Turn LEFT onto Shimming Star Drive Turn LEFT onto Parkway Blvd End at 5334 Parkway Blvd | | | |
| SHELTER 3 | | | |
| Denham Oaks Elementary | 1422 Oak Grove Blvd | Lutz, 33559 | 813-794-1600 |
| Drive out of Paradise Pines RV Park Turn RIGHT on Leonard Road Turn LEFT on US-41 (also known as Land O Lakes Blvd) Turn RIGHT on Hwy 54 (keep going pass Collier Parkway and pass Livingston Rd) Turn RIGHT onto Oak Grove Blvd End at 1422 Oak Grove Blvd | | | |

Local Weather URLs

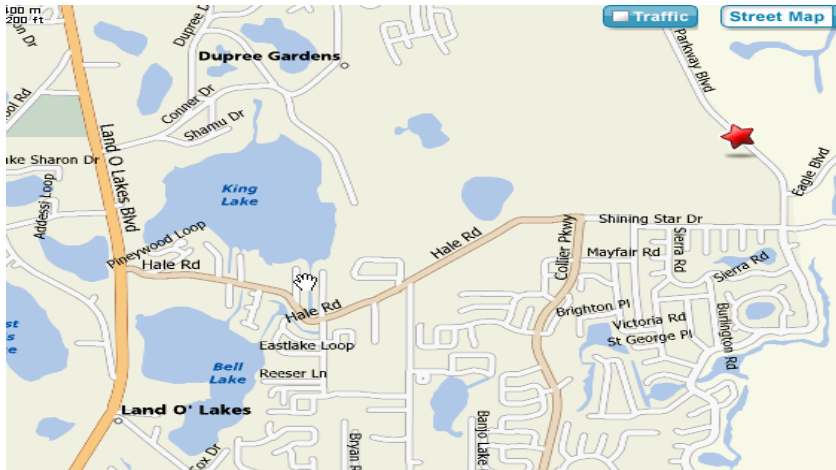
(Our Zipcode is 33558)

National Hurricane Center
<http://www.nhc.noaa.gov/>

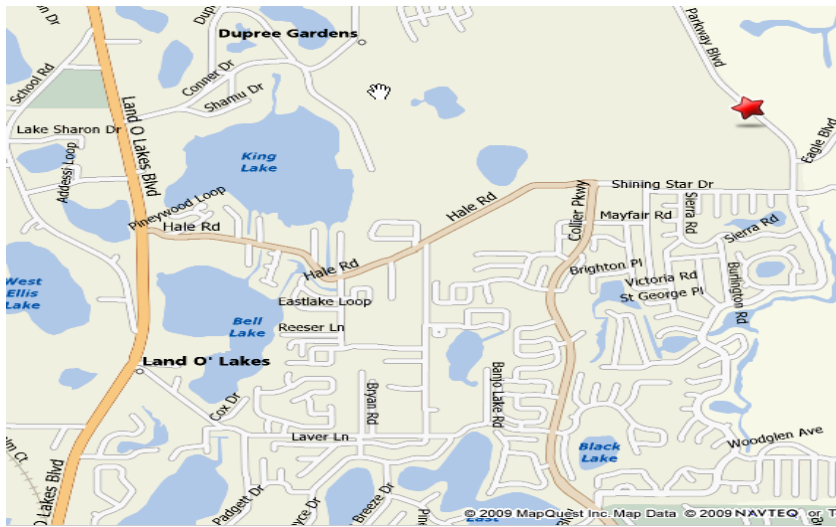
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NOAA's (National Weather Service)
<http://www.nws.noaa.gov/>

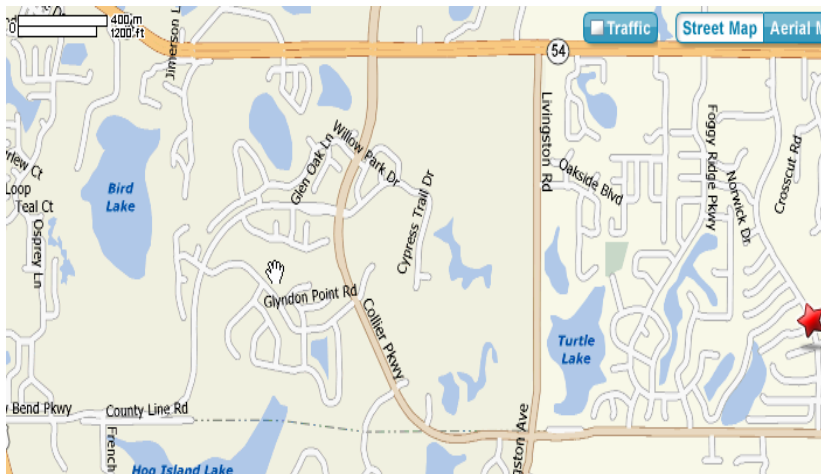
SHELTER 1



SHELTER 2



SHELTER 3





My Local Emergency Contacts

In planning for a disaster, you should learn about the emergency departments in your community and their services. Before, during, and after a disaster, listen closely to the information they provide. They will supply you with details regarding the disaster event; including shelter openings/closings, safety tips to consider, and instructions to follow to ensure your safety. These emergency departments are here for your protection; please be sure to listen closely and follow their instructions in a disaster event.

Here are the Emergency Management contacts for Pasco County and the State of Florida:

Pasco County Emergency Management

James D. Martin
7530 Little Road
New Port Richey, FL 34654
Phone: 727-847-8137
Fax: 727-847-8004
<http://www.pascoemergencymanagement.com>

Florida Division of Emergency Management

2555 Shumard Oak Boulevard
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2100
<http://www.FloridaDisaster.org>

When a disaster threatens or strikes, the Pasco County Red Cross provides shelter, food, and health/mental health services to address basic human needs. They also feed emergency workers, handle inquiries from concerned PPRVP members outside the disaster area and help those affected by disaster to access other available resources. The Red Cross can also provide you with emergency shelter information.



**American
Red Cross**

Tampa Bay Chapter
3310 West Main Street
Tampa, FL 33607
Phone: 813-348-4820
Fax: 813-348-4830
<http://www.redcrosstbc.org>

Checklist of Things to Do BEFORE a Disaster Event

- Create a family Disaster Plan at www.FloridaDisaster.org
- Meet with your family and discuss your Disaster Plan, including your designated Meeting and Check-in locations after a disaster
- Create a Disaster Supply Kit with the following:
 - Battery-powered radio or television
 - Flashlight(s)
 - Extra batteries for radio, television, and flashlights
 - First Aid Kit and first aid manual (see First Aid section of your plan)
 - 2 changes of clothing and sturdy pairs of shoes (one for each person in your plan)
 - 2 Pillows and 2 blankets/sleeping bags (one for each person in your plan)
 - Feminine supplies
 - Fire extinguisher
 - Manual can opener
 - Disinfectant
 - Household bleach
 - Credit card and cash
 - Personal identification
 - An extra set of car keys
 - Matches or lighter in a waterproof container
 - Wrench or pliers to turn off utilities (household gas and water)
 - Whistle or signal flare to signal for help
 - Map of your local area
- Get Cash (without power, credit cards are unusable. Get small bills - \$5,10,20's)
- Locate gas and water shut off valves
- Take pictures or home videos of your home contents for insurance purposes
- Fill up the gas tank in your vehicle
- Make copies of important documents and keep them in a waterproof container:
 - Insurance documents (home insurance and health insurance)
 - Birth certificates
 - Marriage certificates
 - Social security cards
 - Bank account numbers
 - Tax returns for previous 2 years
- Listen to emergency announcements and follow their directions

Checklist for Pets

- Contact your local emergency shelter to find out if they accept pets
(If not, make separate arrangements to shelter your pet)
- Have pets vaccinated and checked as required by your local shelter

Checklist of Things to Do AFTER a Disaster Event

- If you evacuated the area, listen for the local authorities to announce the "ALL CLEAR" letting you know it is safe to return home
- Check for damage in your home
(Use flashlights-do not light matches, candles, or turn on electrical switches in case of a gas leak)
- Contact your insurance provider to report any damages
- Clean up spilled medicines, bleaches, gasoline and other flammable liquids immediately
- Call your Out of Town Contact and other family members to let them know you are OK
- Check on your neighbors, especially elderly or disabled persons
- Repair or block off access to anything in your home that is damaged and could cause injuries
- Stay away from downed power lines
- Visit www.FloridaDisaster.org to update your family Disaster Plan and learn more about how to prepare for disasters

Checklist for Pets

- Confine or secure your pets during the clean up period after a disaster - your pet could come into contact with spilled chemicals or dangerous debris which would cause them harm or even death
- Walk pets on a leash until they become re-oriented to their home - often familiar scents and land marks may be altered and pets could easily be confused and become lost
- If pets cannot be found after a disaster, contact the local animal control office to find out where lost animals can be recovered. Be sure to bring along a picture of your pet if possible

Familiarize yourself with the terms that are used to identify a hurricane.

- A **hurricane watch** means a hurricane is possible in your area. Be prepared to evacuate. Monitor local radio and television news outlets or listen to NOAA Weather Radio for the latest developments.
- A **hurricane warning** is when a hurricane is expected in your area. If local authorities advise you to evacuate, leave immediately.
- Hurricanes are classified into **five categories** based on their wind speed, central pressure, and damage potential. Category Three and higher hurricanes are considered major hurricanes, though Categories One and Two are still extremely dangerous and warrant your full attention.

| Saffir-Simpson Hurricane Scale | | | |
|---------------------------------------|------------------------------|---|----------------------|
| Scale Number (Category) | Sustained Winds (MPH) | Damage | Storm Surge |
| 1 | 74-95 | Minimal: Unanchored mobile homes, vegetation and signs. | 4-5 feet |
| 2 | 96-110 | Moderate: All mobile homes, roofs, small crafts, flooding. | 6-8 feet |
| 3 | 111-130 | Extensive: Small buildings, low-lying roads cut off. | 9-12 feet |
| 4 | 131-155 | Extreme: Roofs destroyed, trees down, roads cut off, mobile homes destroyed. Beach homes flooded. | 13-18 feet |
| 5 | More than 155 | Catastrophic: Most buildings destroyed. Vegetation destroyed. Major roads cut off. Homes flooded. | Greater than 18 feet |

For more information on being informed visit:

<http://www.ready.gov/america/beinformed/hurricanes.html>

The National Weather Service (NWS)

www.weather.gov

Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)

www.ready.gov

The Weather Channel

www.weather.com