

Building Your Hurricane Preparedness Kit

In advance of a tropical storm or hurricane, you will need to prepare a hurricane kit with essential supplies and personal items. This kit will allow you to be ready should you need to evacuate to a shelter or in the event that you lose power or communication. We recommend packing these items into a regular sized suitcase so that you can move quickly if necessary.

Important documents (passport, visa, insurance cards, immunization records, credit cards) in a Ziploc bag or air/water tight container
Bottled water that can sustain you for five (5) days (1 gallon per person per day)
Non-perishable food items that can sustain you for five (5) days (peanut butter, crackers, granola bars, trail mix, hard candy, cereals)
Manual, non-electric can opener
Pillow, blanket and/or sleeping bag
Supply of personal medication for up to five (5) days
First-aid kit (pain relievers, Band-Aids, antibacterial ointment, insect repellent)
Rain gear including closed toed shoes or boots
A change of clothing for two (2) days
Personal hygiene toiletries (soap, toothpaste, toothbrush, shampoo, toilet paper, and bath towel)
Plastic garbage bags
Flashlight and extra batteries (no candles)
Fully charged phone and charger
Non-electronic items such as cards and books to read
Cash (ATMs may not work for some time)
Extra set of home and vehicle keys
If you have a pet, please bring an appropriate sized crate as well as medications and food to last up to five (5) days