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EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Hurricane Preparedness Guide

Dear City of Beaumont Citizens,

The City of Beaumont is promoting a public awareness campaign on Hurricane Preparedness. We are providing this brochure to ensure that all residents in Beaumont are prepared in the event of a weather emergency.

As Hurricane Ike has shown, hurricanes can cause massive property damage and loss of life. History teaches that a lack of hurricane awareness and preparation are common threads among all major hurricane disasters.

Preparedness is the key to protecting your family and property. Please don't have a false sense of security believing that "It won't happen to me." Don't be a casualty of our next hurricane.

By knowing your vulnerability and what actions you should take, you can reduce the effects of a hurricane disaster.

Make your plans now. By doing so, you will ensure that you and your family will survive any hurricane that may threaten our area.

Sincerely,

City of Beaumont Emergency Management

CITY OF BEAUMONT HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS GUIDE

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> This booklet contains vital information to assist you through hurricane season. It is strongly recommended that you keep this guide readily available throughout the season and by your side during an evacuation.

ARE YOU PREPARED? We're Here to Help.

IF YOU NEED A RIDE OUT OF TOWN

Vacuation List

DIAL 2-1-1 TO REGISTER FOR A RIDE

Beaumont residents- If you have special health care or transportation needs, you need to make extra efforts to get ready for hurricane season.

2-1-1 Texas, who is your link to thousands of community services, is your access point to register for transportation. Operators answering the phones at 2-1-1 are prepared to help you register for transportation and special assistance now, before hurricane season begins. If you have already registered, and still live at the same location, there is no need to register again.

If you have special health care needs, register by dialing 2-1-1: Gulf coast residents with special health care needs (including those who are disabled or medically fragile) who live in evacuation zones and do not have friends or family to help in an evacuation should register for a ride in advance by dialing 2-1-1. <u>Call 2-1-1 before a storm is in the Gulf.</u>

If you need transportation, register by dialing 2-1-

1: If you do not have a car or other vehicle, and you cannot get a ride with friends, neighbors or family, register <u>IN ADVANCE</u> for a ride by dialing 2-1-1. Should lines be overloaded, Beaumont residents may also contact the Beaumont Fire Department @ 409-880-3905.

In the event of an evacuation, individuals who have registered, will need to meet at an evacuation or assembly site unless other arrangments have been made in advance.

Hearing impaired who have TTY's may dial 2-1-1 directly or use Relay Texas to contact 2-1-1.

Don't wait Register NOW!

Dial 2-1-1



2011 Hurricane Season is June 1 - November 30. PLAN TODAY!

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IF YOU NEED A RIDE OUT OF TOWN

Evacuation and Assembly Sites in Beaumont in Beaumont WHAT IS AN EVACUATION SITE?

A n evacuation site is a meeting location for residents who:

- Need public transportation during an evacuation •
- Registered with 2-1-1 for public transportation
- At this location, residents will be checked in and • bused to public shelters outside Beaumont.
- FIREARMS ARE NOT PERMITTED.

If you need public transportation during an evacuation, you will need to get to one of these sites*.

WESTBROOK HIGH **CIVIC CENTER** SCHOOL 701 Main Street 8750 Phelan Blvd (Medical Only) WHAT IS AN ASSEMBLY SITE? An assembly site is a neighborhood site used for collection of people so they can be bused more efficiently to the evacuation site. FRENCH **DUNBAR ELEMENTARY ELEMENTARY** 3525 Cleveland Street 825 Jackson Street LUCAS MLK MIDDLE **ELEMENTARY** SCHOOL 1750 East Lucas Drive 1400 Avenue A **OZEN HIGH SCHOOL** 3443 Fannett Road PIETZCH-MACARTHUR **GUESS ELEMENTARY** ELEMENTARY 4301 Highland Avenue 8055 Voth Road SMITH MIDDLE SCHOOL **CENTRAL HIG** 4415 Concord Road SCHOOL 88 Jaguar Street

The City transit bus system will continue to operate during evacuation time. Citizens are urged to go directly to an assembly site; however, if you are unable to get to the site due to distance, you may walk to the nearest bus route and flag down a Transit driver to take you.



WHAT SHOULD | BRING WITH ME?

- You MUST bring your driver's license or state issued picture ID.
- Medications for at least 10 days
- Toiletries, snacks, and 5 days worth of • clothing
- No more than two pieces of luggage and ٠ one carry-on bag per person.
- Household pets (dog/cat) in a sturdy plastic or metal cage/transport device along with a leash. (no reptiles or aggressive animals will be allowed).

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IF YOU HAVE YOUR OWN TRANSPORTATION

WHAT IS NOT ALLOWED IN A PUBLIC SHELTER?

Alcoholic beverages, weapons, and illegal drugs are not allowed in public shelters. Everyone is subject to search and if a violation of the law or shelter rules is committed, you will be barred from the shelter.

**If you are a registered sex offender and you evacuate from our city to another city you will need to report to the local police department and advise them where you are staying. You also need to call Det. Barton at 409-880-3854 and leave a voice message with your name and the location of where you will be staying. If you are going to be away more than 7 days, you are required to update your sex offender registration with the law enforcement agency where you are staying. If you return to Beaumont after that time then you are required to update your sex offender registration with the Beaumont Police Department.*

PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION AND PET EVACUATIONS

If you are utilizing city transportation at a evacuation or assembly site, there are several rules that must be followed. These rules are imposed to ensure the safety of everyone and will be enforced without exception. **Site Managers have final say over all pet transports.**

- No reptiles or farm animals.
- If you feel you MUST take more than two pets, please contact the emergency management office BEFORE an evacuation is called.
- It is recommended for persons to bring sturdy plastic or metal cages along with a leash to transport their pet.
- All animals must remain secured while in transport at ALL TIMES while on the bus.
- All animals must have current shot records.
- Animal owners are responsible for supplying a small amount of food and water for their animals while in transit.

• Please understand we are not liable for any losses or injuries your animal may sustain while being evacuated.

WILL MY PET RIDE WITH ME?

As a general rule, pets will be transported in the same convoy as the owner. However, if a situation dictates, they may be transported in a separate vehicle.









IF YOU HAVE YOUR OWN TRANSPORTATION

Evacuation Plans

If your think you need to evacuate, leave as early as possible.

HOW DO I KNOW WHEN TO EVACUATE?

Evacuation orders will come from your local officials. Evacuations will be coordinated regionally. Please be prepared to leave immediately. Voluntary evacuation notices will be given when possible to give extra notice when potential hazardous conditions warrant.

SHOULD I EVACUATE?

Local officials will make mandatory evacuation decisions before a storm makes landfall. Hurricanes are extremely unpredictable and can become much more dangerous in a matter of hours. It is NOT safe to wait. **Plan to LEAVE EARLY OR WHEN VOLUNTARY EVACUATIONS ARE CALLED.**

WHERE SHOULD I GO?

You may evacuate to any place you choose. Once mandatory evacuation begins travel will be restricted north on designated routes. If you do not have hotel reservations or family you can stay with, you will likely have to try major hotel/motel chains or travel further north. Public shelters are very limited along the northward route starting in Lufkin.

WHAT ROUTE SHOULD I TAKE?

Once a mandatory evacuation order is in place, the State of Texas has designated evacuation routes HWY-69N / 96 N. If you choose to take an alternate route, essential services such as food, fuel, etc. are not guaranteed and traffic may be redirected during that travel.

Plan your evacuation routes carefully (having more than one route planned), realizing that contro-flow lanes (if implemented) have priority over all other routes.

It is NOT safe to wait!

WHEN EVACUATING YOU SHOULD:

Coordinate your departure with the people who will be traveling with you. Notify an out-of-area person of your evacuation plans.

- Make arrangements for your pets.
- Pack your disaster supplies kit into your vehicle.
- Secure your home and utilities.
- Double check your evacuation route and leave
- If you have a cell phone, bring your charger.

Due to spotty cell phone tower service, if traveling in two or more vehicles, it is a good idea to have a walkie talkie system to communicate between vehicles.

I DON'T WANT TO EVACUATE!

Should you choose to stay, please remember there are NO SHELTERS in Beaumont. There will be <u>NO SERVICES available to you</u> (sewer, water, electricity, etc.). Hospitals will close, ambulances will not run, and police and fire cannot respond until the storm passes. You should be prepared to completely care for yourself and your family for no less than 5 days. This includes non-perishable food items, water, medications, generators, fuel, battery operated radios, flashlights, and extra batteries . You should also anticipate extreme heat, no electricity and the possibility of no water and sewer for days to several weeks. Also, no fuel for generators, vehicles or equipment.

FUEL

- Don't let your fuel tanks drop below half full during hurricane season. Fill tanks upon notification of storm entering Gulf or notification of your Emergency Management Officials.
- Motorists should fill their tanks before evacuating.
- TxDOT has worked with the private sector to assure maximum-possible fuel availability during an evacuation, this includes along the evacuation routes.
- TxDOT courtesy vehicles will be patrolling major evacuation routes for stranded motorists.



IF YOU HAVE YOUR OWN TRANSPORTATION

If you have your own ride out of town, but need a place to stay, you may go to Lufkin ^{or a} city further north.

Public Shelters

IF I PLAN ON GOING TO A PUBLIC SHELTER, WHAT ADDITIONAL ITEMS SHOULD I TAKE?

Public shelters are basic facilities that provide temporary housing for evacuees. Most shelters do not have beds or cots, so you will probably be sleeping on the floor in cramped quarters. So pack as if you were going camping. Bring:

- Sleeping pads, air mattresses, or cots.
- Blankets or a sleeping bag for each person
- Robe & shower shoes
- Books, cards, games and QUIET toys for children
- Medications, prescriptions, and important documents.

WHAT IS NOT ALLOWED IN A PUBLIC SHELTER?

Alcoholic beverages, weapons, and illegal drugs are not allowed in public shelters.

FIREARMS ARE NOT PERMITTED

HOW CAN I HELP WITH SHELTER SAFETY?

- Keep all items packed and neat
- Keep all valuables out of sight.
- Never let your children out of your sight.
- Follow all rules.
- Immediately report violations.
- Put your name on all items, inlcuding inside and outside of your luggage.

KEY TELEPHONE NUMBERS

The number to call for ROAD CONDITIONS on state highways is 1-800-452-9292.
Stranded motorists may call 1-800-525-5555.
If you have an emergency, call 9-1-1.

SHOULD I CARRY FOOD AND DRINKS IN MY CAR?

Stopping for food or drinks during a largescale evacuation may significantly delay you in getting to your destination. Some restaurants and stores along hurricane routes may be closed and those that are open are likely to be very crowded. Additionally, once you leave the evacuation route to purchase food or drinks, it may be difficult to re-enter the flow of traffic. Therefore you should pack food and drinks to take on your trip. If you have any medications that need to be kept cool, make sure you bring a cooler with plenty of ice because there may not be any available along the route.

WHAT CAN I DO TO HELP OTHERS?

Check on friends and neighbors to make sure they have transportation or to see if they need help in getting essential items together so they can be ready to evacuate. Assist them if you can. If you cannot, help them get in touch with the Beaumont Fire Department at 409-880-3905. If a person is not 100% independent in their home, do not put them on an evacuation bus. There is no one on the bus or in a shelter to provide care for them.

Nursing Home/Private Care facilities:

If you have a loved one in a nursing home or private care facility that can ride in a car, YOU should evacuate them in the comfort of your own vehicle and provide care for them. It is hard for the elderly and disabled to ride on an evacuation bus.

EVACUATING TIPS

- Keep your vehicle in good repair with a full tank of fuel.
- Check on friends and neighbors who may have special needs.
- Prepare your disaster supplies kit NOW and take it with you when you evacuate.
- Secure your home quickly and evacuate when asked to do so. Don't leave loose or unsecured items outside where wind can carry them away or become projectiles

Prepare Your Home

Here are some steps you can take to protect your property BEFORE A STORM HITS:

- Find out the elevation of your property and check floodplain maps.
- Check your insurance coverage. Most homeowner insurance policies do not cover flood damage or are under-insured for total replacement.
- Learn about the National Flood Insurance Program.
- Find out if your home meets current building code requirements for high winds. Structures that meet current high-wind provisions have a better chance of surviving violent windstorms.
- Install commercial shutters or prepare 5/8 inch plywood panels for your windows.
- Garage doors are frequently the first feature in a home to fail. Reinforce garage doors so that they are able to withstand high winds.
- Assess your property to ensure that landscaping and trees do not become a wind hazard. Trim all dead wood, and weak branches or overhanging branches from all trees. Certain trees and bushes are vulnerable to high winds and any dead tree near a home is a hazard.
- Move outside items to safety, such as patio furniture, plants, grills, trampolines, etc.
- Put valuable documents and photos in waterproof containers and take them with you when you evacuate.
- Turn off electricity at the main circuit breaker or fuse box to protect appliances from power surges and reduce the risk of live dangling wires after the storm.
- If the house is supplied with natural or propane gas, turn it off at the meter or tank.
- Remove perishable items from your refrigerator and freezer if you evacuate.
- Photograph and/or video the inside and outside of your home and your possessions.
- Make a final walk-through inspection before closing the door.

GETTING PREPARED Prepare Your Vehicle

• Fill up with fuel before you leave town. It's smart to keep your tank at least half full during hurricane season.

- Check your vehicle's fluid levels and ensure there is adequate coolant in the radiator.
- Don't forget your tires. Check for proper air pressure because hot road surfaces are rough

on tires. Be sure that your spare tire has air and that you have the proper equipment to change your tire. Ensure you have a jack and lug wrench in your vehicle and know where they are in the vehicle. Your owner's manual should have instructions for changing tires and flats.

• Make sure to carry water and non-perishable food; enough for you and your passengers in case you become stranded.

• If you are stranded, stay with your vehicles and use emergency flashers. Tie a white cloth on the antenna or door handle and raise the hood.

• Have a working flashlight and extra batteries in your vehicle.



Fill 'er Up!

WHEN SHOULD I RETURN?

When Should I Return?

- Just because you hear from a friend or neighbor that their house is OK, does not mean it is safe for you to return.
- Immediatly upon storm passage, city officials will assess damage to and availability of critical city infrastructure (ie: hospitals, water, sewer, streets, power, etc). Re-entry decisions and method will be based on this assessement.
- Local emergency managers will utilize local media and websites to notify residents when its safe to return. (www. cityofbeaumont.com, www.klvi.com and www.setinfo.org) If you do not have access to any of the above resources, contact your city's emergency management coordinator's office. You may call the City of Beaumont Emergency Management Office at 409-980-7280 or contact the 311 Service Helpline at 409-980-8311.
- Do not venture onto roads until you have been advised that they are passable and safe.

Generator Safety Tips:

- It is very important that persons DO NOT operate a generator inside a home, garage or carport. You can not smell CO (Carbon Monoxide), but it can kill you or make you sick. You should install a CO detector near the sleeping areas.
- Let generator cool before refilling with gasoline.
- Chain the generator to a tree or other fixed object to prevent theft.
- Look for symptoms of CO poisoning: Headache Confusion Fatigue Dizziness Loss of Consciousness Nausea/vomiting



Safety Tips:

- Do not enter a building if you smell gas. Call 911. Do not light a match or turn on lights. Do not touch fallen electrical wires. They may be live and could hurt or kill you.
- Turn off the electrical power at the main source if there is standing water. Do not turn on power or use an electric tool or appliance while standing in water.
- Wear waterproof boots and gloves to avoid floodwater touching your skin.
- Wash your hands often with soap and clean water, or use a hand-cleaning gel with alcohol in it.
- Listen to public service announcements to find out if local tap water is safe for drinking, cooking, cleaning or bathing.
- If a "boil water" advisory is in effect, do not drink tap water or use it to brush your teeth unless water has come to a rolling boil for at least 1 minute.
- Do not eat food that smells bad, looks bad, or has touched floodwater. When in doubt, throw food out.
- Do not use generators, pressure washers, charcoal grills, camp stoves. or other fuelburning devices indoors or in enclosed or partially enclosed areas such as garages, even with doors or windows open.
- Stop and look both ways at all intersections. Most street lights are not working.
- Drive slowly and watch out for trash on the road. Always wear your seatbelt.

Evacuating Livestock

What livestock to evacuate is something one should give a lot of consideration. Hurricane Ike in 2008 delivered a storm surge that traveled inland approximately 14 miles, impacting 20,000 head of cattle, and killing 4,000 to 5,000 head of adult cowsan economic impact of \$14,000,000. Animals located on lands prone to flooding and storm surge should most definitely be evacuated. However, "evacuating" doesn't necessarily mean moving livestock (goats, sheep, cattle, horses, etc.) out of the county. Many times livestock can be evacuated to higher elevations out of flood plains north of Jefferson County. Whether livestock are moved to safer grounds within the county, or if they're evacuated out of the county, there are things to consider in either scenario. Moving cattle to higher ground is only as good as you can keep them there. Cattle will travel with the wind. Good fences or strong cattle pens are necessary to keep cattle from traveling with the wind and into storm surge or flooded waterways.

"Never stall horses in barns during a hurricane."

When hauling livestock in a hurricane evacuation of any size, animals should be evacuated no less than 72 hours before a storm makes landfall.

Evacuating - Where to Go?

If you have friends or family who have a place to board your livestock, that is your best choice. Public shelters are temporary, lasting maybe a couple of days. After the storm passes, there may not be fences, water, etc. for your livestock once you return home. When evacuating it's best to plan for long term, rather than a couple of days. Shelters for high value livestock may be available throughout the state, but contact information on those sites isn't released until 120 to 72 hours before a storm makes landfall. As this information is received it will be posted on the setinfo. org website and at the Emergency Management office at 409-980-7280. A list of livestock shelters is also available to the public during evacuation by dialing 2-1-1. Keep in mind that public shelters provide only shelter and water. Feed and hay are the owner's responsibility. Public shelters require all equine to have current vaccinations and coggins test paperwork.

Identify Your Livestock

Whether livestock remain in the county, or are

evacuated out of the path of the storm, livestock should be identified. Nothing is better than a permanent hot iron or freeze brand that is properly registered under your name at the County Clerk's Office. Below is a picture of an evacuee's telephone number engraved with clippers into the hair of a horse's neck. A good idea even if the horse is evacuated to a public shelter in another county. It's only temporary, and the hair will grow back!



F e e d , Water, & Supplies

Hay and water are the

most important items for livestock in both hurricane evacuation and recovery. Carry sufficient water with you on the livestock trailer - you might get caught in traffic on the evacuation route. It is recommended to carry a three day supply of water/animal if you're evacuating livestock out of the county. Take with you records that will validate ownership of livestock prior to the storm. This includes but is not limited to receipts from livestock bought and sold, veterinary records, etc. This proof of ownership is necessary if you must apply for livestock indemnity payments with USDA-Farm Services Agency.

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Daily Water Intake		
Animal	Gallons Water	
Horses	18	
Cattle	23	
Swine	6	
Sheep/Goat	3	
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Livestock After the Storm

Before evacuating, plan for the recovery phase by having a least one week of hay and water supply per horse or cow ~150 gallons of water/animal/ week. You may want to fill storage tanks, water troughs, or have a generator available to run water wells. Before bringing livestock home, assess your property for damages. Is water available? Did pastures flood from storm surge? Will grazing be sustained? Did fences survive the storm? If you have any questions, or know of livestock in need of assistance after the storm passes, contact the Jefferson County Emergency Management Office at(409)835-8757. Agriculture professionals will be on staff at the EOC to handle the livestock recovery effort.

Family Disaster Check List

ESSENTIALS:

o This booklet

- o Battery-operated radio
- o Flashlight
- o Extra Batteries
- o First Aid Kit (one for your home and one for each car)

- Do not include candles. Candles cause more fires after a disaster than anything else.

WATER:

- o 3 gallons per person, minimum, in food-grade, plastic container
- o Additional water for sanitation

FOOD:

- o Minimum 5-day supply of nonperishable food that requires no refrigeration or preparation and little or no water
- o Dry cereal
- o Peanut butter
- o Canned fruits
- o Canned vegetables
- o Canned Juice
- o Ready-to-eat canned meats
- o Ready-to-eat soups (not concen trated)
- o Quick energy snacks **SANITATION:**

o Disinfectant

- o Household chlorine bleach
- o Soap, liquid detergent
- o Toilet paper, towelettes, paper towels
- o Personal hygiene items
- o Cloth towels (at least 3)
- o Feminine supplies
- o Plastic bucket with tight lid
- o Plastic garbage bags, ties (for personal sanitation use)

CLOTHING & BEDDING:

- o Plastic garbage bags, ties
- o Sunglasses
- o Rain gear
- o Sturdy shoes or work boots
- o Blankets or sleeping bags
- Complete change of clothing and footwear per person

TOOLS AND SUPPLIES

- o Whistle
- o Aluminum Foil
- o Crowbar
- o Compass
- o Paper, Pencil
- o Plastic sheeting
- o Medicine dropper
- o Needles, thread
- o Signal Flare
- o Matches in a waterproof con tainer
- o Assorted nails, wood screws
- o Pliers, screwdriver, hammer
- o Plastic storage containers
- o Heavy cotton or hemp rope
- o Cash, traveler's checks, change
- o Map of the area
- o Non-electric can opener, utility knife
- o Cell phone with charger
- o Mess kits, or paper cups, plates and plastic utensils
- o Tape, duct tape and plumber's tape or strap iron
- Patch kit and can of seal-inair for tires

FOR BABY:

- o Formula o Diapers
- o Bottles
- o Medication
- o Powdered milk
- o Baby food

Make sure you have your vehicles' oil and fuel levels checked regularly

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FOR PETS: o Food, water oNon-tippable food

- and watercontainers o Leash, harness
- or carrier o Records of vaccinations

o Pet medications

IMPORTANT DOCUMENTS:

- o Important telephone numbers
- o Record of bank account numbers
- o Family records (birth, marriage, death certificates)
- o Inventory and pictures or video of household valuables
- o Copy of will, insurance policies, contracts, deeds, stock and bonds
- o Records of credit card account numbers and companies
- o Copy of passport, social security cards, and immunization records

FAMILY MEDICAL NEEDS:

- o Insulin
- o Prescription drugs
- o Heart and high blood pressure needs
- o Denture needs
- o Extra eye glasses
- o Contact lenses and supplies

ENTERTAINMENT:

o Games & books

YOU MAY WANT TO INCLUDE:

Family photos, jewelry and select irreplaceable personal items.

Keep a small bag packed including a minimum of these items:

 Personal sized bottled water (one for each family member - don't forget your pets)

Dry snacks

 One complete change of clothing and footwear per person

 Cash, traveler's checks and/or Credit cards, enough for food gas and lodging.

- Important documents
- Medications with original
- prescription containersMaps (evacuation routes and shelters)
- For Baby: formula, diapers, bottles, medication and powdered milk.
- For Pets: food, leash, harness, carrier, non-tippable food and water containers
- It's a good idea to have some travel games or books for the kids

HURRICANE SEASON 2011 Important Information

Employer Name:	Bank Name:	
Address:		
Phone Number:		
	Account Number(s):	
Home Insurance Company:		
Address:	Credit Card Company:	
Phone Number:	Address:	
Policy Number:	Phone Number:	
	Credit Card Number:	
Auto Insurance Company:		
Address:	Credit Card Company:	
Phone Number:	Address:	
Policy Number:	Phone Number:	
	Credit Card Number:	
Other Insurance Company:		
Address:	Pharmacy Name:	
Phone Number:	Address:	
Policy Number:	Phone Number:	
	Prescription Number(s):	
Family Doctor:		
Address:	Out of Town Contact:	
Phone Number:	Phone Number:	
Pediatrician:	Important Numbers:	
Address:		
Phone Number:		
	Important Numbers:	
School/Daycare:		
Address:		
Phone Number:		
Contact:	Bring your local phone book	
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HOW CAN I HELP?

<u>CERT</u>

In large emergencies, first responders in our community can be overwhelmed quickly. Citizens on scene may need to take action to help save lives.

CERT provides training that will allow you to protect yourself, your family, and your neighbors.

The Jefferson Community Emergency Response Team has several key missions:

- Initial Neighborhood response
- Staffing Evacuation Hubs for an evacuation
- Performing Preliminary Damage Assessments
- Staffing the Emergency Management Call Center

 Assisting with distribution of food, water, and ice during emergencies

· Assist with staffing of shelters during disasters

ALL TRAINING IS FREE Positions for everyone! Great for groups and organizations! Sign up today!

See our calendar at <u>www.jeffersoncountytexascert</u> <u>com</u> or contact the CERT Coordinator at 409-835-8757.



Public Call and Notification System

Beaumont uses a public call and notification system. You can have messages sent directly to your cell phone by registering at www. cityofbeaumont.com. Click on Emergency Management and then on "Click Here to Sign Up Now!". Fill-in the form with your information. This booklet contains vital information to assist you through hurricane season. It is strongly recommended that you keep this guide readily available throughout the season and by your side during an evacuation.

The most up to date information available is provided by your local City of Beaumont Emergency Management Office.

These are the lines of communication and your guide to emergency information and community planning. Call your local information providers listed on the following pages if you have questions regarding hurricane preparedness.

Please contact your city's emergency management coordinator's office or the county's emergency manager's office with questions or concerns.





FEMA 1-800-621-FEMA (3362)

RED CROSS

1-800-RED-CROSS (733-2767) Beaumont Chapter 409-832-1644

SALVATION ARMY

409-896-2361

COUNTY AND CITY COMMUNICATION INFORMATION

	BEAUMONT		NEDERLAND
BEAUMONT	Tim Ocnaschek	NEDERLAND	Gary Collins
	Emergency Manager	ΓA	Emergency Manager
	3-1-1 Service Help Line 409-980-8311 Cable Access Channel Channel 4	ER	Police Department24 Hr Info409-722-4965
	Website: www.cityofbeaumont.com	ED	City Hall409-723-1500
	www.setinfo.org	Ζ	Website: www.ci.nederland.tx.us
	Beaumont ISD		Nederland ISD409-724-2391
	KLVI Radio 560 AM		
	www.klvi.com for information and streaming		
	radio	Τ	
	GROVES	COUNTY	Jeff Kelley Emergency Manager 409-882-7895
	Dale Jackson	о С	
	Emergency Manager	ORANGE	Orange County Sheriff 409-883-2612
ves	City Hall409-962-4471	AN	
Groves	Fire	OR	Website: www.co.orange.tx.us
	Cable Access Channel Channel 3 & 4		
	Website: wwww.cigrovestx.com		
			PORT ARTHUR
		ARTHUR	John Owens
0 C	HARDIN COUNTY	H	Emergency Manager 409-983-8616
	Theresa Wigley	AR	Police 409-983-8600
HARDIN	Emergency Manager409-246-5119	R T	
	Hardin County Sheriff's Dept409-246-5100	PORT	Website: www.portarthur.net
Ξ			Port Arthur ISD 409-989-6222
	JEFFERSON COUNTY		
NO N	Greg Fountain	တ	PORT NECHES
RS	Emergency Manager 409-835-8757	뀌	
Ш		С Ш	Steve Curran Emergency Manager 409-719-4258
JEFFERSON	24 hr Emergency Info Line 409-835-8411	PORT NECHES	
	Website: www.co.jefferson.tx.us	OR	Police Department
		đ	Port Neches ISD

Notes

NAMING THE STORM

Since 1953, Atlantic tropical storms have been named from lists originated by the National Hurricane Center. They are now maintained and updated by an international committee of the World Meteorological Organization (WMO). The original name lists featured only women's names. In 1979, men's names were introduced and they alternate with the women's names. Six lists are used in rotation. Thus, the 2006 list will be used again in 2012.

The only time that there is a change in the list is if a storm is so deadly or costly that the future use of its name on a different storm would be inappropriate for reasons of sensitivity. If that occurs, then at an annual meeting by the WMO committee (called primarily to discuss many other issues) the offending name is stricken from the list and another name is selected to replace it.

In the event that more than 21 named tropical cyclones occur in the Atlantic basin in a season, additional storms will take names from the Greek alphabet: Alpha, Beta, Gamma, Delta, and so on.

Here are the Atlantic names to be used during the 2011 Hurricane Season:

Arlene	Lee
Bret	Maria
Cindy	Nate
Don	Ophelia
Emily	Philippe
Franklin	Rina
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