



Freedom Plaza Campus

2023 HURRICANE SEASON PREPARDNESS
JUNE 1–NOVEMBER 30

Hillsborough County

Disaster Preparedness Guide



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Hillsborough County Florida

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Three Steps to Disaster Preparedness

1. Pack a Disaster Kit

Being prepared starts by having a disaster supply kit. Take a moment every year to review the items in your disaster kit and restock it with anything you may be missing or that needs to be replaced. A full list of items to pack in your disaster kit is available on **page 2**. Find these items and store them in a waterproof bin to make sure you're ready for any disaster.

2. Make a Plan

Where do you go if you have to evacuate? What should you do if you are sheltering in place? What about your business? Is it prepared for a disaster? Having a plan for every scenario is the best way to reduce your risk in case of a disaster. You can find tips on how to make your plan specific to your needs on **page 3**.

3. Stay Informed

During a disaster, it's important to stay up-to-date with the latest information from a reliable source. In Hillsborough County you can trust HCFLGov.net/StaySafe, the HCFL Alert system, and the County's social media channels at Facebook, Twitter, and Nextdoor (@HillsboroughFL) to bring you the latest information when it's available. For general County information, call **(813) 272-5900**, the County's main information line. Check out **page 6** for more details.

STAY INFORMED

- SWIFT REACH
- DAILY MEMO
- HCFL

HCFL Alert

HCFL Alert is Hillsborough County's official mass notification system.



[Sign Up Today](#)

Get Connected. Stay Alert.

Always be the first to know what's happening in your community with HCFL Alert, Hillsborough County's official notification system. HCFL Alert is designed to keep you informed about local emergencies, everyday events, and county news that's important to you.

When you sign up, you can choose which updates you'd like to receive and how you'd like to receive them. Whether voice, text, or email, our alerts will reach you in real-time - straight from us to you.

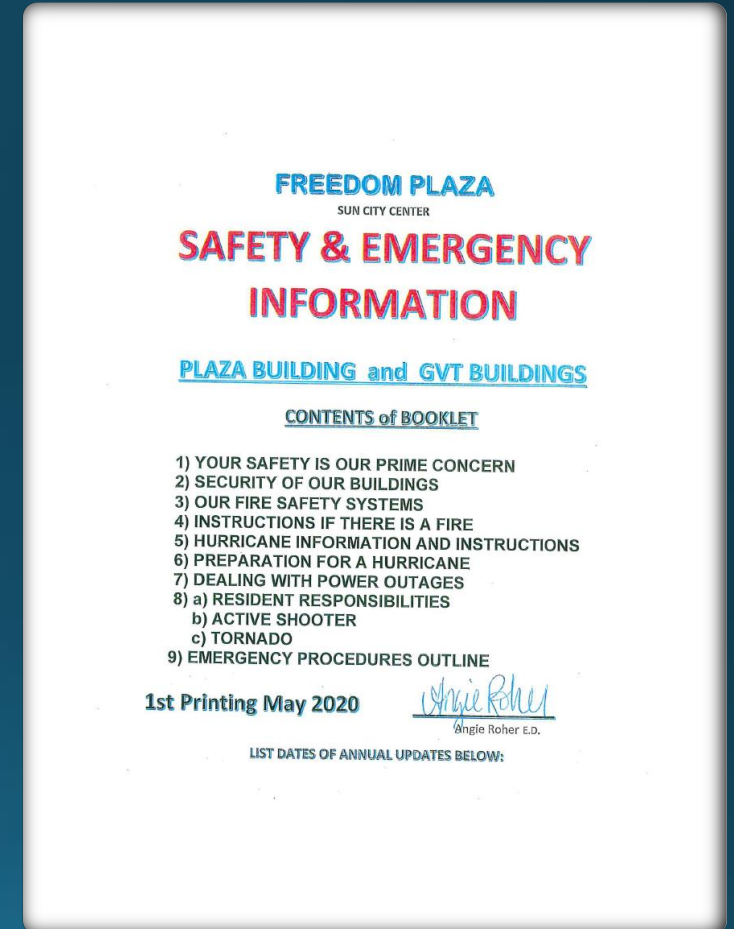
Here are just a few of the alerts you can opt-in to receive:

- Emergency alerts, like hurricane evacuations or flood warnings
- Severe weather alerts
- Major road closures
- County events
- County Closures
- Funding and grant opportunities
- Classes, Programs and Learning Opportunities
- Human Services

For assistance registering, call (813) 272-6602.

RESIDENT SAFETY INFO

- Copies available Friday 6.10.23



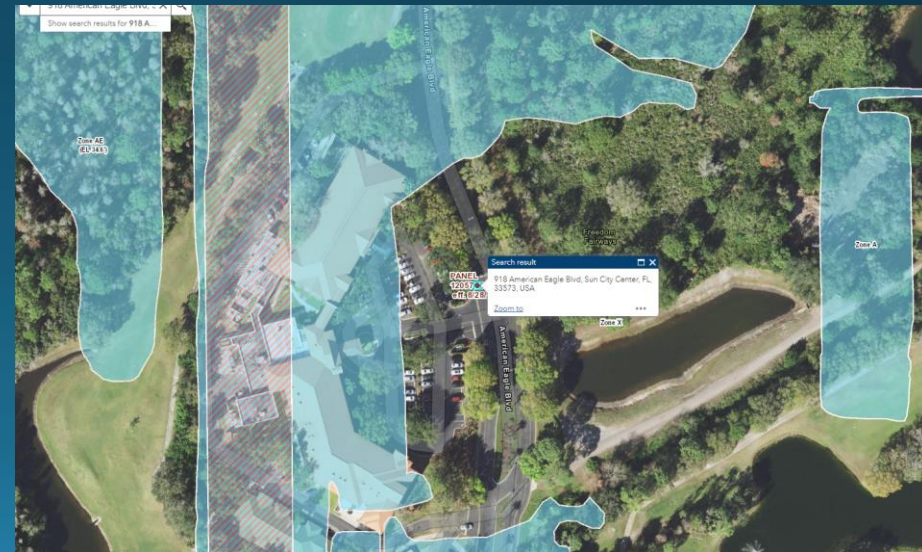
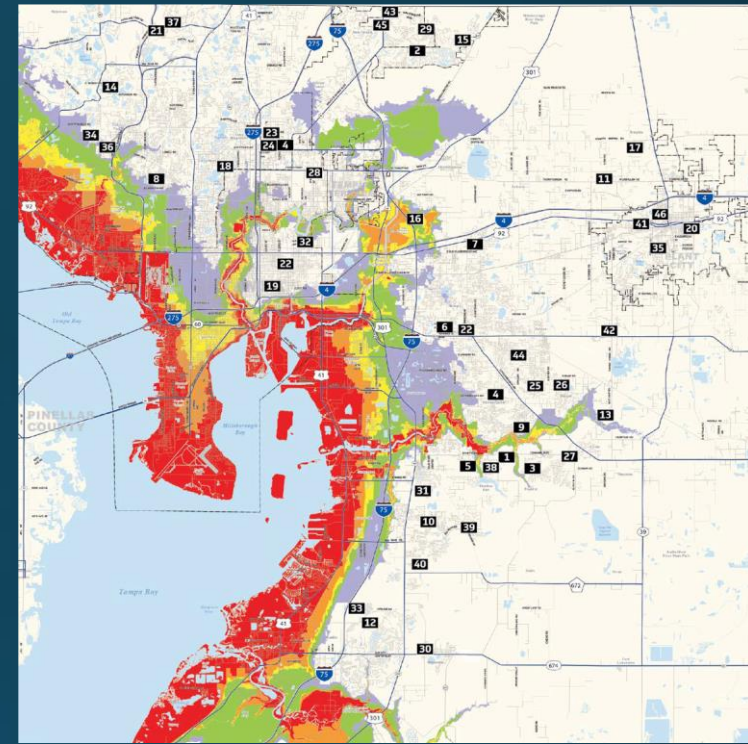
Disaster Preparedness Manual

- LCS Operations Procedures and Quality Standards Manual: Soup to nuts for hurricane preparedness regarding PW/FPAL&MC/FP
- Disaster Aid Agreement: Receiving Communities Lake Port Square/ Regency Oaks & Transferring Community Freedom Square of Seminole
- Bus Finders: Will transport all residents and staff



Disaster Preparedness Manual

- Sysco Agreements (provide fresh food)
- Nestle Water Agreements
- Emergency Power Plan (Generator)
- County Evacuation Routes
- County Flood Zones
- Fire Plan (Evacuation)
- Infection Control Plan(Outbreak)



Associate Commitment

The operation of Freedom Plaza depends on having staff members present each day as scheduled.

- Team A: Directors and associates that are currently working at the Community.
- Team B: Back up Team A after the storm and when safe to travel.
- Team C: Back up Teams A & B

Associate's will be provided with local shelter information for their family members and pets.

Associates will be provided an emergency travel request letter from the Executive Director asking permission for the employee to be on the road after the storm and when it is safe to drive.

Preparation For A Hurricane

- Water: Six gallons.....three for drinking and three for flushing.
- Radio: Battery powered
- Batteries
- Cell phone
- Manual can opener
- Non-perishable foods
- First aid kits
- Medications
- Flashlight



Preparation For A Hurricane

- Trash bags
- Disposable plates, napkins and cutlery
- Paper towels and toilet paper
- Sanitizing wipes and hand sanitizer
- Empty gallon jugs
- Tub stopper
- Pet supplies
- Linens, storm clothing, laptop or tablet, cash
- Oxygen users: extra tanks back-up and charged battery



Emergency Water

New This Year! 2.6 Gallon Emergency Smart Bottle with Pour Spout

- Smart Containers: 7.00 each
- Bottled Water : 6.75 per case of 24
- It is recommended that each resident have 2 cases of bottled water for emergency purposes, along with gallons of water for sanitation.
- Distribution date will be determined based on the amount of water brought in. All charges will post to your ancillary accounts
- Please email Pamela Evans at EvansPamela@freedomplazafl.com or call @ 642-1224 for any water concerns.





Thank You and please be prepared