



Emergency Packet

Shelter Information & Disaster Manual

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EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

Florida laws require all counties to voluntarily register and assist people who would need help to evacuate to public shelters in an emergency situation.

During Hurricane Season, June 1 through November 30, additional information will be provided in your information packet.

For your safety we have included information from CDC, FEMA and other government agencies to assist you in emergency situations. Please read this material and retain it for future reference.

In case of an emergency please contact 911.

Contact (407) 437-9322 for non-threatening emergency.

SAFETY

In the event of a natural or created emergency situation in the area, such as a hurricane, flooding or civil unrest, agency personnel may not be available or able to visit patients in their homes.

Responsibility for care of the patient/client shall be assumed by the patient/client, caregiver, local authorities and the patient physician as appropriate until it is safe for home care to resume. Every attempt will be made to avoid interruption of care and to reinstate care as quickly as possible when it is safe to do so.

**CHECK YOUR COUNTY
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**
<https://www.floridadisaster.org/counties>

Guidelines For All County

1. Go to your county website. It will be provided to you in this packet.
2. Read application instructions.
3. Complete application online.

Item to bring to a shelter:

- Water and food (3-day supply)
- Clothing and bedding
- Personal items, toiletries and medications
- First-aid supplies
- Important papers
- Miscellaneous items like games, toys, battery-powered radios and flashlights
- Identification card
- Medical Information card
- Daily prescriptions (2-week supply)
- Non-prescription medicines (2-week supply)
- Mobile phone charger, if needed
- Other special items such as eyeglasses, hearing aids, prosthetic devices, walkers, special dietary foods, etc.
- Medical supplies that you utilize on a daily basis, this includes any portable oxygen, cannula, diabetes testing kit, nebulizer, etc.
- A book, magazine, or something to occupy your time while you wait for the storm to pass.

Hardee County

WEBSITE:

<https://www.hardeecountyfl.gov/emergency-management/dashboard>

Hardee County, FL

hardeecountyfl.gov/emergency-management/dashboard

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Emergency Management

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Resources for Hardee County Residents

Mission Statement

The mission of Hardee County Emergency Management is to provide a comprehensive and integrated emergency management system that coordinates community resources to protect lives, property and the environment through mitigation, preparedness, response and recovery from all natural and man-made hazards that may impact our county.

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Events

Hardee County Keeps Citizens Safe and Informed with Everbridge Resident Alerts, Residents and Businesses Can Sign Up to Receive Critical Communications and Emergency Alerts

ALERT

Hardee County

Emergency Management's Mass Notification System

[Agreement Rules](#)

[Disaster Supply Checklist for Hurricane Preparedness.pdf](#)

[Pet friendly shelter form \(English \)](#)

[Special Needs Application - English version](#)

[Special Needs Application - Spanish version](#)



Hardee County Shelters:

LIST OF PUBLIC SHELTERS

Primary - Hardee Junior High/Hilltop Elementary School 2401 US Hwy 17N Wauchula, FL 33873

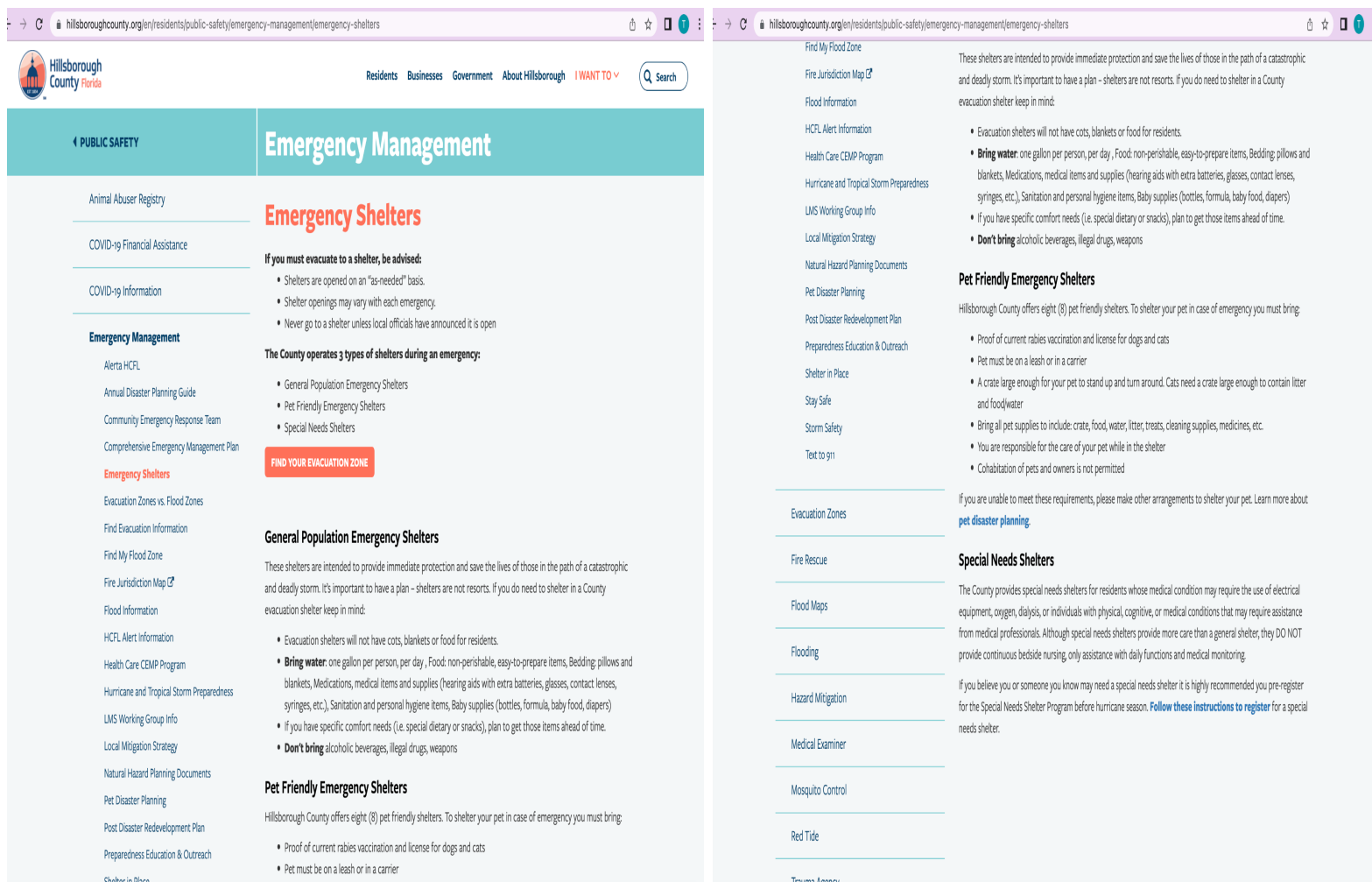
Secondary - Zolfo Springs Elementary School 3215 Schoolhouse Road Zolfo Springs, FL 33890

North Wauchula Elementary School 1120 N. Florida Ave. Wauchula, FL 33873

Pet Shelter - Bowling Green Elementary School 4530 Church Ave. Bowling Green, FL 33834

Special Needs - South Florida State College, Hardee Campus 2868 US Hwy 17N Bowling Green, FL 33834

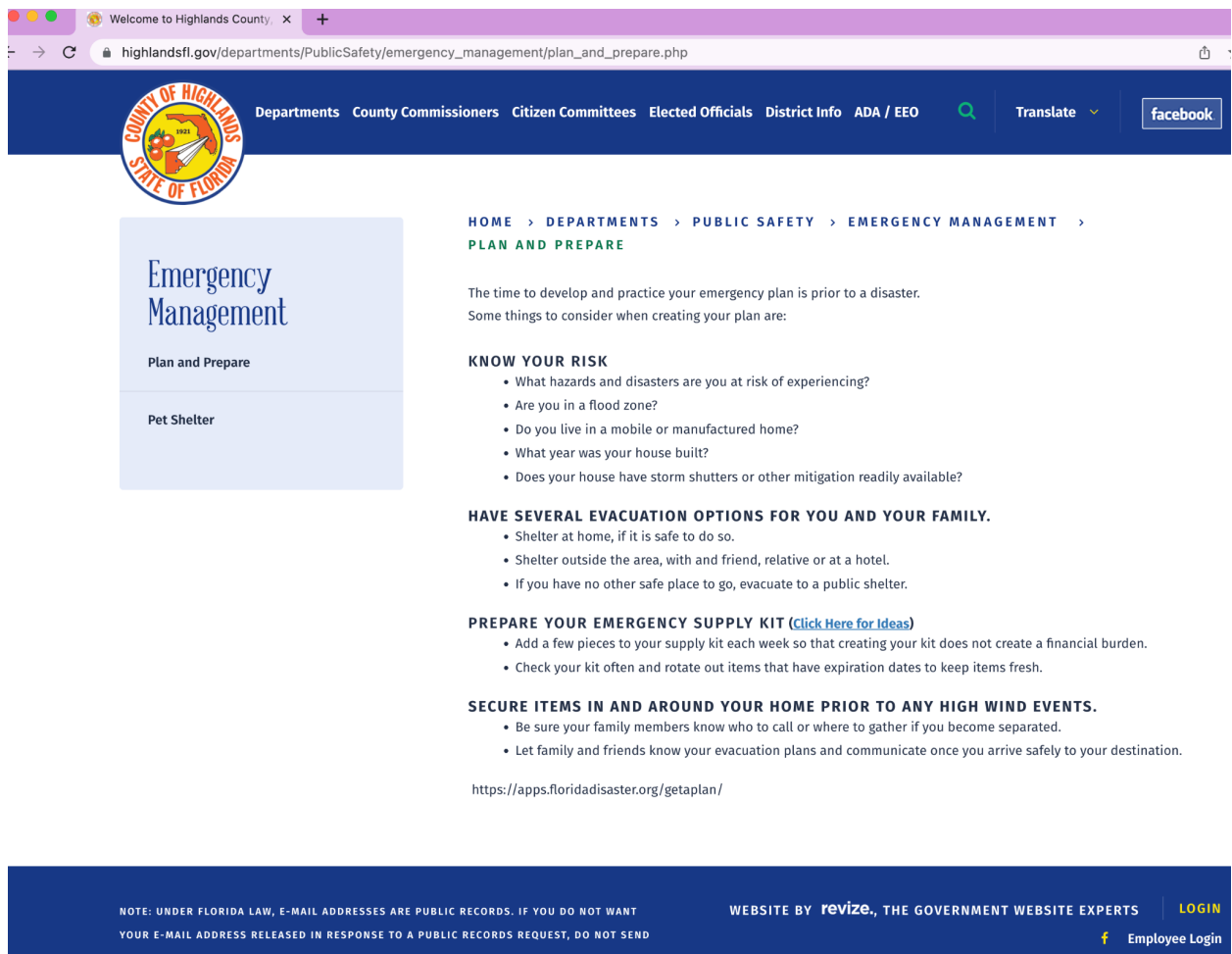
* KNOW YOUR EVACUATION ZONE



Highlands County

Website:

https://www.highlandsfl.gov/departments/PublicSafety/emergency_management/plan_and_prepare.php



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Welcome to Highlands County

highlandsfl.gov/departments/PublicSafety/emergency_management/plan_and_prepare.php

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Emergency Management

Plan and Prepare

Pet Shelter

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The time to develop and practice your emergency plan is prior to a disaster. Some things to consider when creating your plan are:

KNOW YOUR RISK

- What hazards and disasters are you at risk of experiencing?
- Are you in a flood zone?
- Do you live in a mobile or manufactured home?
- What year was your house built?
- Does your house have storm shutters or other mitigation readily available?

HAVE SEVERAL EVACUATION OPTIONS FOR YOU AND YOUR FAMILY.

- Shelter at home, if it is safe to do so.
- Shelter outside the area, with and friend, relative or at a hotel.
- If you have no other safe place to go, evacuate to a public shelter.

PREPARE YOUR EMERGENCY SUPPLY KIT (Click Here for Ideas)

- Add a few pieces to your supply kit each week so that creating your kit does not create a financial burden.
- Check your kit often and rotate out items that have expiration dates to keep items fresh.

SECURE ITEMS IN AND AROUND YOUR HOME PRIOR TO ANY HIGH WIND EVENTS.

- Be sure your family members know who to call or where to gather if you become separated.
- Let family and friends know your evacuation plans and communicate once you arrive safely to your destination.

<https://apps.floridadisaster.org/getaplan/>

NOTE: UNDER FLORIDA LAW, E-MAIL ADDRESSES ARE PUBLIC RECORDS. IF YOU DO NOT WANT YOUR E-MAIL ADDRESS RELEASED IN RESPONSE TO A PUBLIC RECORDS REQUEST, DO NOT SEND ELECTRONIC MAIL TO THIS COUNTY WEBSITE. CONTACT THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS FOR MORE INFORMATION.

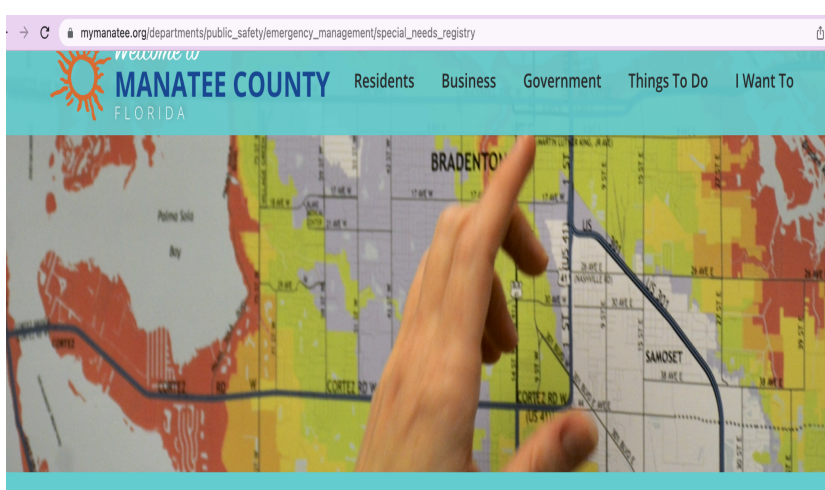
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Employee Login

Manatee County

Website:

https://www.mymanatee.org/departments/public_safety/emergency_management/emergency_shelters



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EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

#ManateeReady: Emergency Planning

Alert Manatee: Sign up for Emergency Alerts

Build a Disaster Kit

Emergency Preparedness

Emergency Shelters

Evacuation Levels

SPECIAL NEEDS REGISTRY

The Special Needs Registry is designed to assist residents of Manatee County who will require transportation or sheltering assistance when the citizen is notified to evacuate their residence because of a storm.

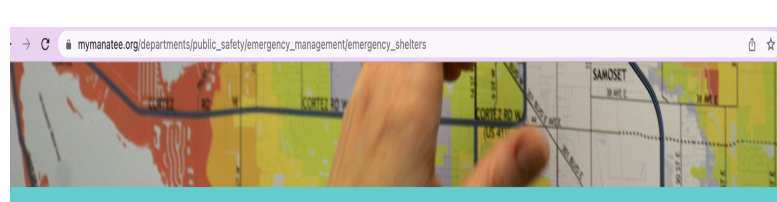
[REGISTER ONLINE](#)

SPECIAL NEEDS OVERVIEW, CHECKLIST AND APPLICATION

Hurricane Season begins June 1 and runs through the end of November.

You may need to evacuate your home from an impending hurricane if you are power dependent, live in an evacuat zone or live in a mobile home. Residents are encouraged to use public sheltering **only** if no other options exist.

If you need evacuation transportation or require sheltering assistance, you must preregister.



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Evacuation Levels

Sandbag Distribution

Special Needs Registry

Publications

Severe Weather Information Center

Automatic Security Gates

Community Emergency Response Team

EMERGENCY SHELTERS

- **Shelter openings vary with each emergency.** These shelters are hurricane evacuation shelters, not tornado shelters, cold weather shelters or flood shelters.
- Stay tuned to local media to determine which shelters are open. Shelters only open when all other local resources are expected to be expended.
- Be aware of which shelters are pet friendly. If you plan to go to a pet-friendly shelter, please be familiar with the Pet Requirements for Shelters (below) in advance.
- Sign up for the [Special Needs Registry](#) if you do not have transportation to get to a shelter and will need assistance.
- Public shelters should be a last option. It is always recommended to stay with family and friends if possible when you're told to evacuate.

Do not go to the shelter until local officials announce, through the media, that the shelter is open.

MANATEE COUNTY SHELTER LISTING

[View map of emergency shelter locations](#), or use our [Resident Information Tool](#) to find your evacuation level, nearest emergency shelters, and more.

Shelter Name	Address	Pets Allowed	Status
Bayshore Elementary School	6120 26TH ST W BRADENTON 34207	No	Closed
Braden River High School	6545 STATE RD 70 E BRADENTON 34202	Yes	Closed
Braden River Middle School	6215 RIVER CLUB BLVD BRADENTON 34202	No	Closed

Manatee County

SHELTER INFO - REFER TO MAP

NO.	SHELTER NAME	ADDRESS
18	BAYSHORE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	6120 26TH STREET WEST, BRADENTON
19	 BRADEN RIVER HIGH SCHOOL	6545 SR 70 EAST, BRADENTON
13	BRADEN RIVER MIDDLE SCHOOL	6215 RIVER CLUB BLVD., BRADENTON
24	BUFFALO CREEK MIDDLE SCHOOL	7320 69TH STREET EAST, PALMETTO
28	DAUGHTREY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	515 63RD AVE. EAST, BRADENTON
2	FREEDOM ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	9515 STATE ROAD 64 EAST, BRADENTON
25	GULLETT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	12125 44TH AVE. EAST, BRADENTON
11	HAILE MIDDLE SCHOOL	9501 STATE ROAD 64 EAST, BRADENTON
3	HARVEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	8610 115TH AVE. EAST, PARRISH
15	JOHNSON-WAKELAND SCHOOL OF IB	2121 26TH AVE. EAST, BRADENTON
17	KINNAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	3415 TALLEVAST ROAD, SARASOTA
4	LEE MIDDLE SCHOOL	4000 53RD AVENUE WEST, BRADENTON
6	 MANATEE HIGH SCHOOL	902 33RD STREET COURT WEST, BRADENTON
5	MCNEAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	6325 LORRAINE ROAD, BRADENTON
26	MILLER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	601 43RD STREET WEST, BRADENTON
20	 MILLS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	7200 69TH STREET EAST, PALMETTO
7	MYAKKA CITY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	37205 MANATEE AVE., MYAKKA CITY
14	ONECO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	5214 22ND STREET COURT EAST, BRADENTON
22	PRINE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	3801 SOUTHERN PARKWAY, BRADENTON
9	RODGERS GARDEN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	515 13TH AVE WEST, BRADENTON
1	SEABREEZE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	3601 71ST STREET WEST, BRADENTON
8	TILLMAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	1415 29TH STREET EAST, PALMETTO
27	WILLIAMS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	3404 FORT HAMER ROAD, PARRISH
23	WILLIS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	14705 THE MASTERS AVENUE, BRADENTON
12	WITT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	200 RYE ROAD, BRADENTON



Pet-Friendly Shelter

Shelter openings vary with each emergency. Shelter openings will differ by size and intensity of a disaster. **Do not go to the shelter until local officials announce that the shelter is open.**

Stay tuned to local media and the County website for a listing of shelters, to include the Pet-Friendly Shelters, which will be opened for an event.



TELEVISION

WFLA - CH. 8
 WTSP - CH. 10
 WTVT - CH. 13
 WFTS - CH. 28
 WWSB - CH. 40
 WBSV - CH. 62
 BAY NEWS 9



RADIO

WFLA - 970 AM
 W/WPR - 1490 AM
 WJIS - 88.1 FM
 WXTQ - 106.5 FM

<https://www.polk-county.net/emergency-management/emergency-shelters>



Auburndale Public Shelters

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- ▼ Auburndale High School
1 Bloodhound Trail, Auburndale
- ▼ Jere L. Stanbough Middle School
226 N. Main St.
- ▼ Walter Caldwell Elementary School
141 Dairy Rd.

Bartow Public Shelters

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- ▼ Polk County Health Department - Special Needs Shelter
1255 Brice Blvd.
- ▼ Bartow High School
1270 S. Broadway Ave.
- ▼ Stephens Elementary School
1350 N. Maple Ave.
- ▼ Spessard L. Holland Elementary School
2342 E.F. Griffin Rd.

Davenport Shelter List

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- ▼ Citrus Ridge Academy
1775 Sand Mine Rd.
- ▼ Davenport School of the Arts
4751 North CR 547
- ▼ Horizons Elementary School
1700 Forest Lake Dr.
- ▼ Loughman Oaks Elementary School
4600 US Highway 17-92 N.
- ▼ Ridge Community High School - Special Needs Shelter
500 Orchid Dr.
- ▼ Ridgeview Global Studies Academy
1000 Dunson Rd.

Eagle Lake Shelter List

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- ▼ Lake Region High School - Pet Friendly Shelter
1995 Thunder Rd.
- ▼ Pinewood Elementary School
1400 Gilbert St.

Haines City Shelter List

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- ▼ Alta Vista Elementary School
801 Scenic Hwy S.
- ▼ Haines City High School - Pet Friendly Shelter
2800 Hornet Dr.
- ▼ Sandhill Elementary School
1801 Tyner Rd
- ▼ Shelley S. Boone Middle School
225 S. 22nd St



Lakeland Shelter List

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- ▼ Combee Elementary School
2805 Morgan Combee Rd
- ▼ George Jenkins High School Freshman Academy
6000 Lakeland Highlands Rd
- ▼ Highlands Grove Elementary School
4510 Lakeland Highlands Rd
- ▼ Kathleen Elementary School
3515 Sherertz Rd
- ▼ Kathleen High School
110 Red Devil Way
- ▼ Lake Gibson High School
7007 N. Socrum Loop Rd
- ▼ Lakeland Highlands Middle School
740 Lake Miriam Dr
- ▼ Philip O'Brien Elementary School
1225 E. Lime St
- ▼ Lincoln Avenue Academy
1330 N. Lincoln Ave
- ▼ McKeel Academy of Technology - Special Needs Shelter
1810 W. Parker
- ▼ Dr. N.E. Roberts Elementary School
6600 Green Rd
- ▼ Rochelle School of the Arts
1501 Martin Luther King Jr. Ave
- ▼ Scott Lake Elementary School
1140 Hwy 540A E
- ▼ Sleepy Hill Elementary School
2285 Sleepy Hill Rd
- ▼ Southwest Elementary School
2650 Southwest Ave
- ▼ Teneroc High School - Pet Friendly Shelter

- ▼ Teneroc High School - Pet Friendly Shelter
4905 Saddle Creek Rd
- ▼ R. Bruce Wagner Elementary School
5500 Yates Rd

Lake Alfred Shelter List

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- ▼ Karen M. Siegel Academy
935 Evenhouse Rd

Lake Wales Shelter List

[Collapse all](#)

- ▼ Spook Hill Elementary School
321 Dr. J.A. Wiltshire Ave E

Mulberry Shelter List

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- ▼ Mulberry Middle School
500 S.E. Martin Luther King Jr. Ave
- ▼ Purcell Elementary School
305 N.E. 1st Ave

Polk City Shelter List

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- ▼ Donald Bronson Community Center
124 Bronson Trail

Poinciana Shelter List

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- ▼ Lake Marion Creek Middle School
3055 Lake Marion Creek Dr
- ▼ Laurel Elementary School
1851 Laurel Ave
- ▼ Palmetto Elementary School
315 Palmetto St

Winter Haven Shelter List

- ▼ Chain of Lakes Elementary
7001 Hwy 653
- ▼ Jewett School of the Arts
2250 8th St N.E.
- ▼ Winter Haven High School
600 6th St S.E.

The following information should be supplied by the home health agency to those patients registered with the special needs registry, so they will be prepared prior to an evacuation to a special needs shelter.

Please note: The special needs shelter should be used as a place of last refuge. The evacuee may not receive the same level of care received from staff in the home, and the conditions in a shelter might be stressful.

(1) If the patient has a caregiver, the caregiver must accompany the patient and must remain with the patient at the special needs shelter.

(2) The following is a list of what special needs patients need to bring with them to the special needs shelter during an evacuation:

- **Bed sheets, blankets, pillow, folding lawn chair, air mattress**
- **The patient's medication, supplies and equipment list supplied by the home health agency, including the phone, beeper and emergency numbers for the patient's physician, pharmacy and, if applicable, oxygen supplier; supplies and medical equipment for the patient's care; Do Not Resuscitate (DNRO) form, if applicable;**
- **Name and phone number of the patient's home health agency**
- **Prescription and non-prescription medication needed for at least 72 hours; oxygen for 72 hours, if needed. · A copy of the patient's plan of care**
- **Identification and current address**
- **Special diet items, non-perishable food for 72 hours and 1 gallon of water per person per day · Glasses, hearing aides and batteries, prosthetics and any other assistive devices**
- **Personal hygiene items for 72 hours**
- **Extra clothing for 72 hours**
- **Flashlight and batteries**
- **Self-entertainment and recreational items, like books, magazines, and quiet games.**

(3) Sheltered need to know the following:

- **If the patient has a caregiver, the caregiver(s) shall be allowed to shelter together in the special needs shelter. If the person with special needs is responsible for the care of individuals without special needs, those persons may also shelter together.**
- **The sheltered caregiver will have floor space provided. The caregiver must provide his or her own bedding.**
- **Service dogs are allowed in the shelter. However, check with your local Emergency Management office to see if other pets are permitted.**
- **Bring personal snacks, drinks, and any special dietary foods for 72 hours. It is possible only sparse meals will be provided.**
- **Caregivers who regularly assist the patient in the home are expected to continue to do the same care in the shelter.**