



BARRY GLASSMAN

HARFORD COUNTY EXECUTIVE

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

May 29, 2019

For more information, contact:

Cindy Mumby

Director of Governmental & Community Relations

410-340-5376

camumby@harfordcountymd.gov

Harford County Offers Safety Tips for 2019 Hurricane Season

BEL AIR, Md., (May 29, 2019) – Hurricanes can produce destructive winds over 150 miles per hour, flooding from torrential rain, devastating high tides, and even tornadoes. The hurricane season affecting Harford County runs from June 1 to November 30, with most hurricane-like weather seen in mid-August through late October. Preparing for hurricanes and other serious storms helps protect you, your family, and your community.

“Last summer’s flash floods in Harford County were a reminder of nature’s destructive power and the need to prepare,” Harford County Director of Emergency Services Edward Hopkins said. “It only takes one storm to have a lasting impact on our community.”

The Harford County Department of Emergency Services offers the following safety tips for hurricane season:


- Sign up now to receive Harford County’s emergency alerts:
<https://harfordcounty.bbcportal.com/>
- Make an emergency plan with your family
- Familiarize yourself with emergency evacuation routes and high ground in your area
- Have an emergency supply kit ready with a minimum of 3 to 7 days of nonperishable food and water (1 gallon of water per person per day at a minimum)
- Place copies of important documents and cash in a sealed plastic bag in your supply kit
- Remember to stock food and water for your pets
- Check your supply of prescription medicines and ensure that you have extra on hand
- Ensure that cell phones and other mobile devices are fully charged
- Check in on elderly neighbors or anyone without a support network
- Monitor weather conditions and follow instructions when issued

- Stay tuned to radio station WXCY 103.7 FM and local TV news for official weather information

“First responders and emergency service providers are prepared to respond in a disaster, but citizens who take these simple steps now will help keep everyone safe this hurricane season,” County Executive Barry Glassman said.

To view or print a copy of Harford County’s Emergency Preparedness Guide, please visit <http://www.harfordcountymd.gov/DocumentCenter/View/5328>.

 Like us on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/HarfordCountyMD> | 

 Follow us on Twitter [@HarfordCountyMD](https://twitter.com/HarfordCountyMD)

###