



Hernando County Sheriff's Office

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Message from Hernando County Sheriff Al Nienhuis

Dear Residents,

Early predictions for the 2011 Hurricane Season are calling for *above average* forecasted tropical activity. Experts expect 17 named storms, nine of which may become hurricanes, and five of those may become major hurricanes. While this forecast could change, it is important to remember that even in a season with below average activity, the consequence of just one hurricane could be devastating.

The Sheriff's Office, in partnership with the county and the cities, is committed to providing our residents with assistance before, during and after any disaster.

I strongly encourage each of you to assist us in our mission by assuming personal responsibility for your own safety. Please use the information in this guide to create a plan to protect your family, pets and businesses.


By working together, we can effectively prepare for, respond to, mitigate against and recover from any emergency.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Al Nienhuis".

Al Nienhuis
Sheriff

Hernando County Shelter Information

NO.	SHELTER NAME	ADDRESS
1	Challenger K-8 School	13400 Elgin Blvd., Spring Hill, 34609
2	Deltona Elementary	2055 Deltona Blvd., Spring Hill, 34606
3	Nature Coast Technical High School	4057 California St., Brooksville, 34604
4	Fox Chapel Middle School	9412 Fox Chapel Lane, Spring Hill, 34606
5	Moton Elementary	7175 Emerson Road, Brooksville, 34601
6	Chocachatti Elementary	4135 California St., Brooksville, 34604
7	Hernando High School	700 Bell Ave., Brooksville, 34601
8	Springstead High School	3300 Mariner Blvd., Spring Hill, 34609
9	West Hernando Middle School	14325 Ken Austin Parkway, Brooksville, 34613
10	Explorer K-8 School	10252 Northcliffe Blvd., Spring Hill, 34608
11	Weeki Wachee High School	12150 Vespa Way, Weeki Wachee, 34614
12 	D. S. Parrott Middle School	19220 Youth Drive, Brooksville, 34601
<p>■ Special Needs Shelter Pet Friendly Shelter</p>		

Shelters do not open in a certain order, so residents with questions about which shelters are open should call the public information center. Special needs shelters require pre-registration. Contact your county emergency management center for more information. Residents with pets should make prior arrangements or call animal services to assist them.

Using Your County Map

1. Locate where you live and work on the map.
2. Determine whether you are in an evacuation area, and if so, what level (color).
3. If you are in an evacuation area, or mobile home/manufactured home/RV, decide where you will go if ordered to evacuate. Your choices include:
 - ✓ Home of a relative or friend outside the evacuation zone
 - ✓ Hotel/motel outside the evacuation zone (make arrangements early)
 - ✓ Go to a public shelter
 - ✓ As a last resort leave the area entirely
4. If you must go to a public shelter, use your county map to decide which one is convenient. Make sure you verify the shelter is open before you go.

Hurricane Threats

- ✓ The colored areas on the map are vulnerable to storm surge. Storm surge is the saltwater flooding that rushes over coastal areas when the eye of a hurricane crosses land.
- ✓ Storm surge creates a path of destruction, wiping out structures as it rapidly surges inland and then recedes. This is a life threatening situation for anyone who ignores mandatory evacuation orders and stays in vulnerable areas.
- ✓ Hurricanes are categorized on a scale of 1 to 5, depending on wind strength and destructive power. The evacuation zones are color coded to designate the level of storm surge likely to occur with the five categories.
- ✓ If you live in an area ordered to evacuate, gather your family/pets and emergency supplies, secure your home and leave immediately. Failure to obey a mandatory evacuation order is a violation of state and local laws.

Note: All persons living in mobile homes/manufactured homes/RVs must evacuate for all mandatory evacuation orders, regardless of where you are located in the county.

Important Contact Information

ANIMAL SERVICES	352-796-5062
BROOKSVILLE POLICE	352-754-6800 352-540-3800
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT	352-754-4083
EOC RECORDED INFORMATION LINE	352-754-4111
FLORIDA HIGHWAY PATROL	352-754-6767
PROGRESS ENERGY	800-228-8485
PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTER	352-754-4083
HERNANDO COUNTY SHERIFF	352-754-6830
HERNANDO COUNTY FIRE RESCUE	352-540-4353
SPRING HILL FIRE RESCUE DISTRICT	352-754-5800
BROOKSVILLE FIRE DEPARTMENT	352-540-3840
SOLID WASTE	352-754-4037
WITHLACOOCHEE RIVER ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE	352-596-4000
AMERICAN RED CROSS	352-799-3237
CATHOLIC CHARITIES	352-686-9897
SALVATION ARMY	352-796-1186
UNITED WAY	352-688-2026
TAMPA BAY CARES, INC	2-1-1
S.A.M.E. CODE (SPECIFIC AREA MESSAGE ENCODER)	FIPS code 012053
WWW.HERNANDOSHERIFF.ORG/EM	
EMERGENCY DIAL 9-1-1	
<p>* For Current Emergency Information and Live EOC Updates tune to Hernando County Government Broadcast Cable Channel 622 or web streamed at www.hernandocounty.us.</p>	