



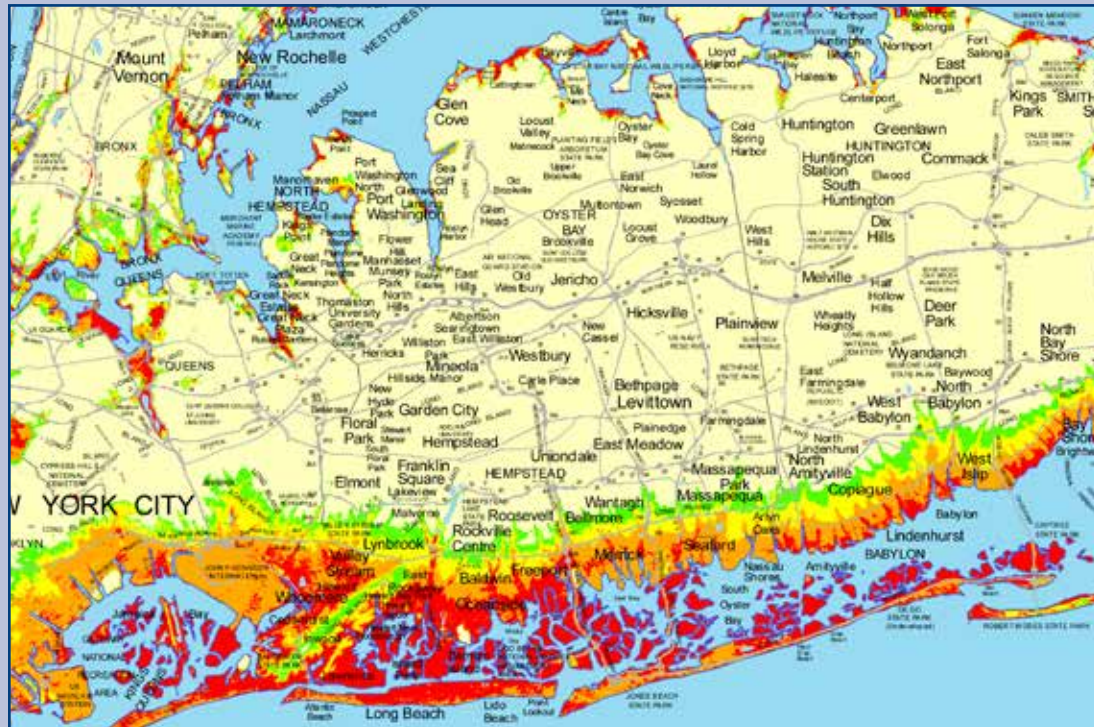
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## EVACUATION ZONES & ROUTES

- CATEGORY 4 Evacuation Zone
- CATEGORY 3 Evacuation Zone
- CATEGORY 2 Evacuation Zone
- CATEGORY 1 Evacuation Zone



### ROUTE - 1

- Starting at Atlantic Beach Bridge, Northbound on Nassau Expressway (Rt. 878)
- Exit at Burnside Avenue East.
- Turn left onto Rockaway Turnpike.
- Turn right onto Peninsula Blvd.
- Remain on Peninsula Blvd. until it becomes Fulton Avenue which will become Hempstead Turnpike
- Continue eastbound to Earle Ovington Blvd. and make a left.
- Proceed northbound on Earle Ovington Blvd. into the Nassau Community College American Red Cross Evacuation Center.

### ROUTE - 2

- Starting at Long Beach Bridge:
- Northbound via Austin Blvd. into Long Beach Rd.
- Northbound on Long Beach Rd. to Sunrise Hwy.
- Right onto Sunrise Highway and proceed eastbound to Grand Ave., Baldwin
- Left turn going northbound on Grand Ave.
- Turn into Henry St. Right turn on Peninsula Blvd.
- Remain on Peninsula Blvd. until Fulton Ave.
- Continue eastbound on Fulton Ave., which will become Hempstead Turnpike
- Northbound on Earle Ovington Blvd. into Nassau Community College American RedCross Evacuation Center

### ROUTE - 3

- Starting at Lido Blvd:
- Eastbound on Lido Blvd. to the Loop Parkway and make a left
- Proceed northbound to the Meadowbrook Parkway
- Continue northbound on Meadowbrook Parkway exiting at Exit-M4 (Hempstead Turnpike) and proceed to Charles Lindberg Blvd.
- Which will lead into the Nassau Community College American Red Cross Evacuation Center

### ROUTE - 4

- Starting on Merrick Road:
- Northbound on Seaford Oyster By Expressway (Rt. 135) to Hempstead Tpke (Rt. 24) East
- Hempstead Tpke becomes Conklin Street
- Make left on Clinton Street
- Clinton Street becomes Melville Road
- Continue to the SUNY Farmingdale American Red Cross Evacuation Center

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# HURRICANE READINESS



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## DESTRUCTION FROM HURRICANES

The level and intensity of hurricanes are categorized by maximum sustained winds **ONLY** and does not address potential for other hurricane related impacts, such as storm surge, rainfall-induced floods, and tornadoes. Hurricanes are categorized by the Saffir-Simpson scale as follows:

### CATEGORY 1

Winds of 74-95 mph - Well-constructed frame homes could have damage to roof, shingles, vinyl siding and gutters. Includes local evacuations.

### CATEGORY 2

Winds of 96-110 mph will do all of the damage above and near-total power loss is expected with outages that could last from several days to weeks.

### CATEGORY 3

Winds of 111-129 mph, devastating damage will occur. Electricity and water will be unavailable for several days to weeks after the storm passes.

### CATEGORY 4

130-156 mph, catastrophic damage will occur. Power outages will last weeks to possibly months. Most of the area will be uninhabitable for weeks or months.

### CATEGORY 5

157 mph or higher – catastrophic damage will occur same as the above with increased severity.

## HURRICANE READINESS IN NASSAU COUNTY

Dear Neighbors,

Hurricane Sandy was the worst natural disaster to hit Long Island in 75 years.

Not since the Hurricane of 1938 has our region endured such widespread devastation from a weather event. Ninety percent of Long Islanders lost electricity. Many residents went weeks with no power. Many were left homeless. At the height of the fall crisis fuel was difficult to obtain. Lives like trees were uprooted. Life in Nassau County was forever changed for thousands residing in coastal communities.

While we cannot prevent hurricanes and nor'easters from impacting our county, we can prepare for them!

We learned a lesson from Hurricane Irene in 2011 and were positioned to react when Hurricane Sandy hit. Our Office of Emergency Management networked with federal, state and local agencies and with our Police to meet the crisis head-on. Residents in soon-to-be-affected areas were told to evacuate before the storm came ashore. Our preparedness prevented any greater loss of life and property.

June 1<sup>st</sup> marks the official start of hurricane season. I ask that all residents begin now to take steps to prepare for any tropical storm that might strike Nassau County this season. This brochure provides you with basic information on how best to safeguard your home and family from any weather-related disaster. Please become familiar with these vital steps that can save lives and property.

I encourage you to view the five minute video on hurricane preparedness available at [www.nassaucountyny.gov/oem](http://www.nassaucountyny.gov/oem)

Join me in making preparations for the next storm. Let's be ready. Let's stay safe.

Sincerely,

Edward P. Mangano  
 Nassau County Executive



Hurricane Sandy Preparations

# Hurricane Shelters

## BE PREPARED, NOT SCARED

Although we cannot prevent hurricanes, we can certainly prepare for them. If you are prepared with food (*items that require no refrigeration, preparation or cooking and little or no water*) and water (*1 gal. of water per person per day for at least 5 days*), an emergency can be an inconvenience instead of a disaster. Everyone has a personal responsibility to be prepared. Creating an emergency plan ahead of time for you and your family will help you stay organized if a hurricane strikes.

Your emergency plan should include a communication system, disaster supply kit, and an alternate meeting place if your home is unsafe. Depending on the severity of the hurricane, you may need to evacuate where you live. When instructions are given to evacuate, you will be directed to a temporary, emergency refuge that will provide a safe haven for the duration of the storm. However, it is recommended that you first try to seek refuge with a friend or family member located away from the affected area. You will be more comfortable on a friend's couch than on a cot in a shelter.

Join the Community Emergency Response Team for complete preparedness training for you and your family. Contact CERT at 516-573-9696.

For more info

visit the Nassau County Red Cross website: [www.nyredcross.org](http://www.nyredcross.org)  
 Family and Pet Emergency Preparedness website: [www.Ready.gov](http://www.Ready.gov)  
 To Sign Up for Emergency Notifications: [www.nassaucountyny.gov/alert](http://www.nassaucountyny.gov/alert)

Nassau County continues to prepare in the event we need to respond to a disaster. Our Office of Emergency Management has been working with the Federal Emergency Management Agency to warehouse supplies and have positioned 21 mobile trailers stocked with shelter supplies that can be brought to a Red Cross shelter when needed.

It's important to know that the Red Cross will open the shelters based on volunteers and when all essential supplies are in place. For this reason, you may be instructed to go to a shelter in another community. It is important that you listen to the media and follow instructions so you do not go to a shelter that has not been opened.

### Hurricane Shelters

These locations may open at the discretion of the Office of Emergency Management

- ✓ CW Post College
- ✓ Farmingdale H.S.
- ✓ Garden City H.S.
- ✓ Glen Cove H.S.
- ✓ Glen Head North Shore Senior H.S.
- ✓ Great Neck John Miller H.S.
- ✓ Hicksville H.S.
- ✓ Levittown Memorial H.S.
- ✓ Locust Valley H.S.
- ✓ Manhasset H.S.
- ✓ Massapequa McKenna Elementary
- ✓ Mineola H.S.
- ✓ Nassau Community College
- ✓ New Hyde Park H.S.
- ✓ Plainview Old Bethpage Mid.S.
- ✓ Port Washington P. Schreiber H.S.
- ✓ SUNY Old Westbury
- ✓ SUNY Farmingdale
- ✓ Wantagh H.S.
- ✓ Westbury H.S.
- ✓ West Hempstead H.S.

## Family & Friends Sheltering Plan

In the event of a hurricane, you may be asked to evacuate your home. If you are advised to evacuate, here's what to do:

- Enact County Executive Mangano's Family & Friends Sheltering Plan**  
 County Executive Ed Mangano recommends you plan ahead, as a Family and Friends Sheltering Plan provides the most comfortable way to weather a storm that threatens your home. A Family & Friends Sheltering Plan is recommended for anyone who resides **south of Sunrise Highway or north of Route 25A.**

You should contact a friend or family member that lives outside the zone & make arrangements.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

- Bring your Emergency Go-Kit. Learn how to assemble this kit at [www.nassaucountyny.gov/oem](http://www.nassaucountyny.gov/oem).
- Turn off all utilities.
- Stick to evacuation routes. View these routes at [www.nassaucountyny.gov/oem](http://www.nassaucountyny.gov/oem).
- Take your most reliable vehicle and avoid taking multiple vehicles to prevent gridlock.
- Post this card on your refrigerator.



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## Emergency Go-Kits

Each person should have a Go-Kit in the event of a hurricane **WATCH** or **WARNING**. Put these items into a smaller, portable Go-Kit — **such as a hands-free backpack or duffel bag — or a container** in case you need to evacuate. Keep it by your front door or an exit in case of an emergency evacuation. Kits should sustain you and your family for up to five (5) days.

### Family Go-Kit should include:

- First aid kit. Pack a "how to" guide as well.
- Essential prescription and nonprescription items and medical information.
- Battery-powered flashlight and radio (or crank radio), extra batteries and a 12-hour glow stick.
- A change of clothes, plus rainwear, sturdy shoes and protective gloves for everyone.
- Personal items, ie: eyeglasses, cash in small bills.
- Important documents in a waterproof container:
  - Drivers' licenses · Wills · Birth/Marriage certificates
  - Insurance policies · Deed or Lease · Recent tax returns
  - Credit card and bank account numbers
  - Social Security cards · Passport · Home inventory list
- Special items for infants, elderly, pets or loved ones with special needs

### Pet Go-Kit should include:

- Your pets' names, address and phone number
- Your name, address, phone and cell number
- Emergency contact - friend or family
- Your veterinarian's name and contact info
- Medical records · Specific Care instructions · Behavioral problems
- First aid kit / medications
- Current photos
- Sturdy leash, collar or harness, muzzles
- Paper towels for clean-up
- Food & Bottled Water (3 days supply)
- Manual can opener & Bowls
- Water purification tablets
- Toys and other comfort items
- Treats, brushes, combs
- Newspapers & plastic trash bags for handling waste