



# 2013 HURRICANE SEASON

EYE ON THE STORM



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# SPECIAL NEEDS MEDICAL PLAN

- Prepare a detailed list of your medical regime
- Wear medical alert tags or bracelets to identify your disability and/or medical condition
- Have at least a month supply of your medications
- If you are a homebound patient and/or are dependant on any medical device that requires electricity, contact your physician for his or her recommendation
- If you are receiving home healthcare services, you must be sure that your home healthcare service provider has developed a special hurricane plan for you
- If you require oxygen, check with your supplier about emergency plan
- If you evacuate, remember to take your medications, written instructions regarding your care, your walker, wheelchair or cane and special equipment such as bedding

## HOSPITALS ARE NOT SHELTERS

- Hospital's resources are already committed to those who need them most, and the hospital is not equipped to act as a shelter

## IF YOU ARE EXPECTING

- Any pregnant woman who is two weeks from her due date (36 weeks gestation) or is considered high risk should check with her physician regarding when she should go to the hospital prior to the storm. In general, arrive no later than four hours before the hurricane makes landfall
- If you are dependant on life support systems, or any medical device which requires electricity, be aware that the power may be off for some time during and after a hurricane. You **MUST** therefore plan to **RELOCATE EARLY** for any hurricane

*To receive a Medical Hurricane Preparedness Guide please call  
– 1-866-4 HCA DOCS*

## DOs AND DON'Ts

- DO** have a detailed hurricane plan you're ready to follow
- DO** move to a safe place as close to home as possible if ordered to evacuate
- DO** tell someone outside the area where you plan to ride out the storm
- DO** have enough food & water to last at least 4 days
- DO** fill your car's gas tank well ahead of the storm
- DO** keep all windows closed

- DON'T** go near fallen powerlines
- DON'T** go outside if the eye passes over you
- DON'T** run generators indoors or in an attached garage
- DON'T** tranquilize your pets. They must stay alert to survive
- DON'T** risk getting stuck in traffic going north. Storms go north too
- DON'T** get caught trying to move your boat. Move it early

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## SHOPPING CHECKLIST\*

### COOKING

- ☐ Water
- ☐ Portable camp stove or grill
- ☐ Stove fuel or charcoal, lighter fluid
- ☐ Disposable plates, cups, and utensils
- ☐ Napkins and paper towels
- ☐ Aluminum foil
- ☐ Oven mitts

### EQUIPMENT AND OTHER ITEMS

- ☐ Manual can opener
- ☐ Flashlight (one per person)
- ☐ Portable battery powered lanterns
- ☐ Glass enclosed candles (only for use after the storm)
- ☐ Trash Bags
- ☐ Battery powered radio or ATSC TV
- ☐ Battery powered Cell Phone Charger
- ☐ Extra batteries, including for hearing aids
- ☐ First aid kit, including aspirin, antibiotic cream and antacids
- ☐ Sunscreen (SPF 30 or higher)
- ☐ Waterproof matches/butane lighter
- ☐ Cash
- ☐ Bleach or water purification tablets
- ☐ Collapsible water containers

### PERSONAL SUPPLIES

- ☐ Prescriptions (1 month supply)
- ☐ Toilet paper
- ☐ Soap, shampoo, and detergent
- ☐ Toiletries and feminine hygiene products
- ☐ Changes of clothing
- ☐ Extra glasses or contacts
- ☐ Bedding, pillows, and sleeping bags
- ☐ Rain ponchos and work gloves
- ☐ Books, magazines, kid games, etc.

### BABIES

- ☐ Disposable diapers and moist towelettes
- ☐ Formula, food

### NON PERISHABLE FOODS

- ☐ Canned meats, fruits, and vegetables
- ☐ Bread in moisture proof packaging
- ☐ Cookies, candy, and dried foods
- ☐ Canned soups and milk
- ☐ Powdered or single serve drinks
- ☐ Cereal bars
- ☐ Condiments
- ☐ Peanut butter and jelly
- ☐ Instant coffee and tea

## EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBERS



\*The State says "pack 3 days worth of supplies"... we suggest in order "to be sure" your family will be self-sufficient after a storm, have at least 4 days of supplies.



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Neighbors 4 Neighbors  
Phonebank

Lines open after the  
storm only.

**305-597-4404**

Twitter: @Canuhelp

[neighbors4neighbors.org](http://neighbors4neighbors.org)

## Volunteers Needed!

Many local organizations depend on volunteers to help before, during and after a storm. Many require special training. Sign up now! For a complete listing of volunteer opportunities.

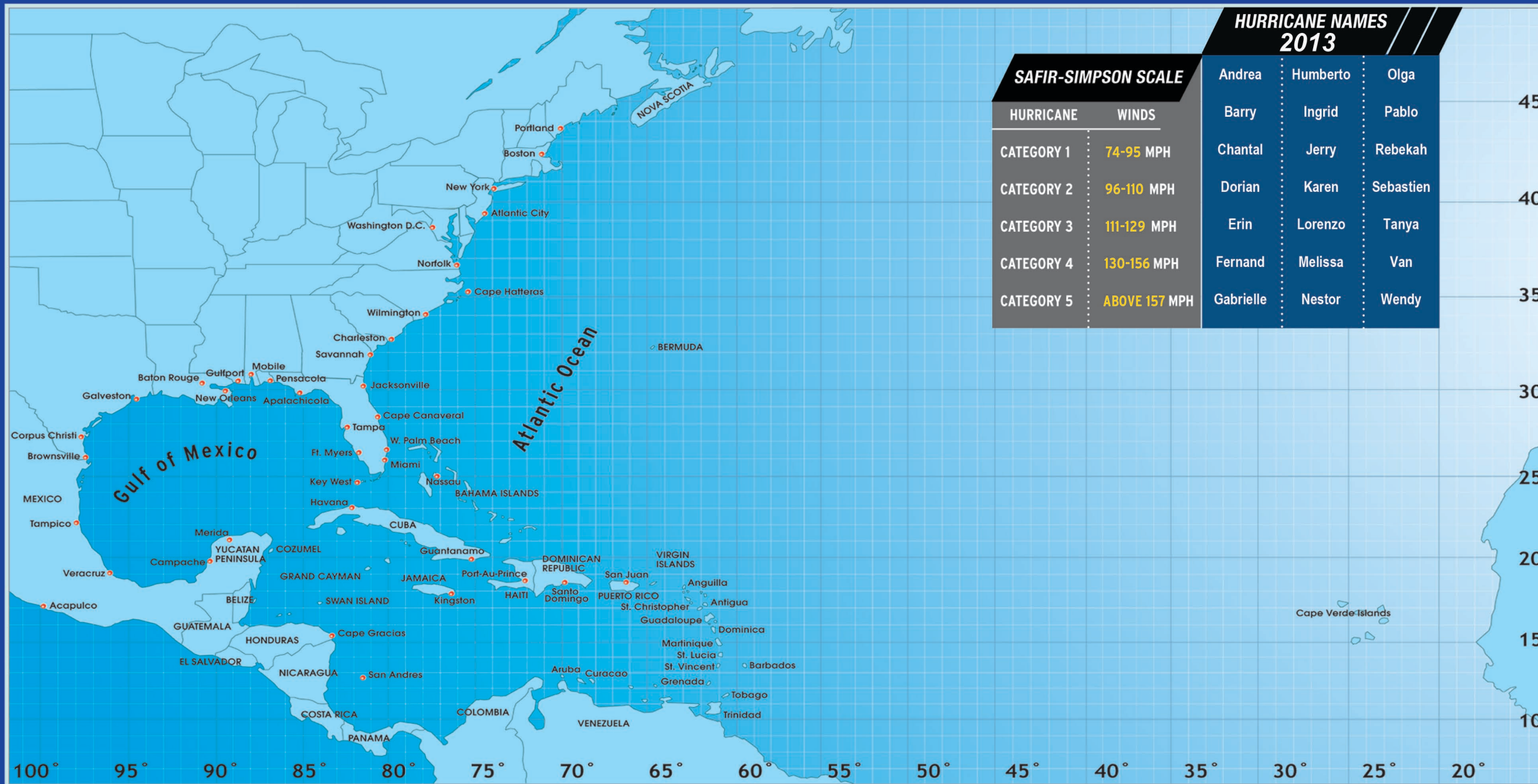
Go to: [helpingfeelsgood.org](http://helpingfeelsgood.org)

BROWARD COUNTY	311
Storm Information Line	954-831-4000
Emergency Mgt. Office	954-831-3900
Special Needs Registry	954-357-6385
Special Needs TDD/TTY	954-357-5608
General Assistance	211
MIAMI-DADE COUNTY	311
Emergency Mgt. Office	305-468-5400
Special Needs Registry	305-513-7700 or 311
TDD/TTY	305-468-5402
General Assistance	211
PALM BEACH COUNTY	
Information anytime	561-712-6400
MONROE COUNTY	
During a storm	800-955-5504
Emergency Mgt. Office	305-289-6018
Special Needs Registry	305-292-4591
FLORIDA	
Florida Div Emerg Mgmt	850-413-9964
TDD/TTY	800-226-4329
FDOT's Traveler Info	511





# TRACKING MAP



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## TERMINOLOGY

### TROPICAL DISTURBANCE OR TROPICAL WAVE

A disturbance in the tropics without a defined circulation.

### TROPICAL DEPRESSION

A rotating system of thunderstorms in the tropics with winds of less than 39 mph.

### TROPICAL STORM

A rotating system of strong thunderstorms with top sustained winds of 39 to 73 mph. Storms are named when they reach this strength.

### HURRICANE

An intense, rotating tropical weather system with sustained winds of 74 mph or higher.

### TROPICAL STORM WATCH

Tropical storm conditions are possible in the watch area within 48 hours.

### TROPICAL STORM WARNING

Tropical storm conditions are expected in the warning area within 36 hours.

### HURRICANE WATCH

Hurricane conditions are possible in the watch area within about 48 hours. Monitor CBS4 NEWS and the CBS4 NEWS Hurricane Network radio and TV partners for information regarding the storm. Be ready to implement your hurricane preparation plans immediately if a warning is issued.

### HURRICANE WARNING

Hurricane conditions are expected in the warning area within 36 hours. All preparations should be completed immediately. If you are evacuating, you should leave early to avoid traffic jams. It is strongly recommended that you stay in a safe building as close to home as possible, as opposed to driving out of South Florida.

### STORM SURGE

Storm surge is the ocean rise along the coast created by hurricane force winds pushing water toward shore. Storm surge can exceed 20 feet in very strong hurricanes and the sea can travel several miles inland.



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## PREPARATION

### DECIDE NOW WHERE YOU AND YOUR FAMILY WILL GO WHEN THE NEXT HURRICANE THREATENS

Decide on a specific place. If you live in an evacuation area, the protected house of a friend out of the evacuation zone is best; a Red Cross shelter is a last resort. It is not recommended that you stay in any structure without good shutters or properly designed and installed hurricane protection during any hurricane.

### PLAN NOW HOW YOU ARE GOING TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY

Learn about shutters and other alternatives for protecting your house and apartment. If you have doubts about the safety of your house, have it evaluated by an engineer. Have a family plan for putting up shutters and getting your home ready, and rehearse it. Decide where you will park your car(s). A garage is best. Plan to move your boat early.

### DECIDE NOW WHO WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR YOUR WATER SUPPLY

You'll need a minimum of 12 gallons of drinking water per person. For convenience, you can get it at the supermarket, or you can keep containers on hand to hold tap water. Sterilize your containers for

### Divide into two time frames:

*What you should do now and what you should do as the storm is approaching.*

drinking water with a little bleach (non-flavored) and water. Slosh it around, rinse the container, and fill it up from the tap. You also need non-drinking water for bathing and flushing the toilet. The bathtub is a good place to hold that. Line the tub with plastic sheeting before you fill it up.

## THINGS TO DO

### WHEN A STORM IS APPROACHING

Bring in loose items like lawn furniture, garbage cans, and plants that could fly around in the wind. Even heavy planters can be moved by the storm, so at least put them as close to the house as possible. Photograph or video tape your house, as well as your personal belongings to help document any losses. Put the negatives or tapes in a waterproof container, a safe deposit box, or send them to a friend out of town. Put valuables and important papers in waterproof containers. Put them at the top of an interior closet. Put up your hurricane shutters. Be sure you secure them well. Shutters that come off in a storm are very dangerous. If you have a pool, add extra chlorine. DO NOT drain your pool. DO NOT put metal lawn furniture in the pool.

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